



**ESG NAVIGATOR** 

## INTRODUCTION

## Welcome to ESG Navigator!

## ESG Navigator is the premier global platform to help companies capture value from ESG

See your company's ESG and strategic performance data clearly benchmarked against sector and financial peers.

Access a complete analysis of your company ESG strengths – and weaknesses – with our proprietary analytics.



## Endorsed by The Conference Board

Respected author of "Leading Economic Indicators"

"The Conference Board's 1,000+ corporate members globally are

benefiting from the **power** – and **elegant simplicity** – of ESG Navigator."

Paul Washington, Executive Director | ESG Center



## **Our Value Proposition**

**ESG Navigator** empowers C-Suite executives and your teams to create a future-ready strategy:

- Know where your company stands today
- Build robust governance systems and strategy to create long term value tomorrow



#### Participating Companies (selected)



























































































































































































































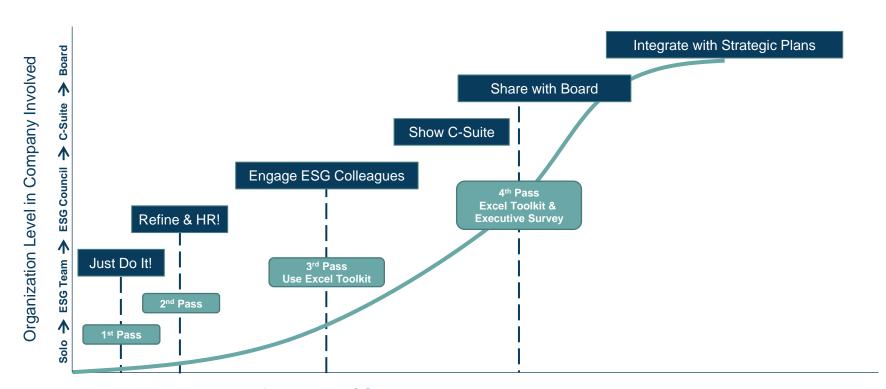




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#### **How 100<sup>+</sup> Companies Use ESG Navigator**







#### **Benefits**



#### Proven

- Crafted in boardrooms in 1997
- Refreshed annually by ESG experts
- Tested & vetted:
  - by 80+ companies –
  - including many Conference Board members



#### Robust

- Proprietary ESG Maturity Model
- A tough 4-stage rating scale:
  - Stage 1-3 are <u>okay</u>, <u>good</u>, <u>better</u>
  - Stage 4 is <u>best</u> the <u>next frontier</u>
- 100 "Key Sustainability Indicators"
- Spans every ESG theme and every corporate function



#### Easy & Fast

- Get started for free
- Complete quickly:
  - Quick Start in 15 minutes
  - Full assessment in 60-90 minutes

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Immediately compare vs. peers



# ESG Navigator helps ESG Leaders Report to the C-Suite and Board



- 1 | Are we thinking about ESG strategically?
- 2 | Are we aligned internally on ESG?
- 3 | What is our current position vis-à-vis peer companies?
- 4 | How do we improve our ESG ratings' positioning?
- 5 | Where do we invest to create value?



#### 1 | Are we thinking about ESG strategically?

ESG Navigator is built on 100 Key Sustainability Indicators covering all aspects of ESG





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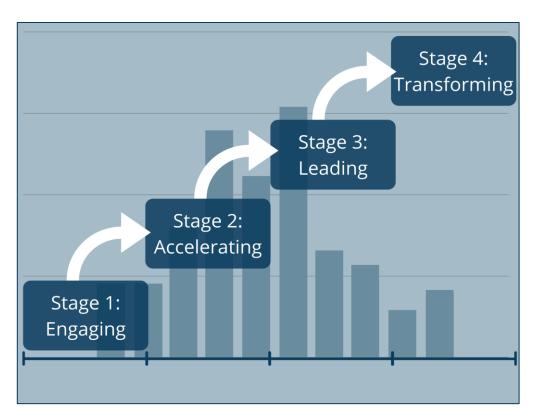
#### 2 | Are we aligned internally on ESG?

The 100 Key Sustainability Indicators address every corporate function





#### 3 | What is our current position vs. peer companies?



#### **Benchmark** where your company stands:

- vs. all companies in the ESGN database
- · vs. industry sector
- vs. industry sub-sector

#### **Tough rating scale**

- No company is Stage 4
- Stage 4 criteria help companies "look around the corner"



## 4 | How do we improve our ESG ratings?

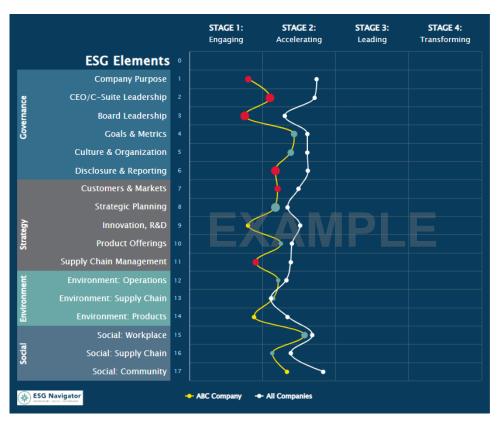
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GOV	2	CEO/C-Suite Leadership	1.60	5	2	40																14
GOV	3	Board Leadership	1.25	6	2	33.3																51
GOV	4	Goals & Metrics	1.93	7	2	28.6																64
GOV	5	Culture & Organization	1.88	4	1	25																46
GOV	6	Disclosure & Reporting	1.67	6	2	33.3																71
STR	7	Customers & Markets	1.70	5	1	20																35
STR	8	Strategic Planning	1.67	6	2	33.3																69
STR	9	Innovation, R&D	1.30	5	0	0.0																63
STR	10	Product Offerings	1.75	6	1	16.7																65
STR	11	Supply Chain Management	1.40	5	1	20																66
ENV	12	Environment: Operations	1.71	7	1	14.3																91
ENV	13	<b>Environment: Supply Chain</b>	1.64	7	1	14.3																71
ENV	14	Environment: Products	1.38	8	0	0.0																48
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SOC	17	Social: Community	1.83	6	1	16.7																56



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#### 5 | Where do we invest to create value?



#### **Summary "Snake Chart"**

- Separate dynamic snake maps:
  - Vs. all companies in database
  - Vs. our industry sector
  - Vs. our industry sub-sector
- Scores rolled-up to 17 Elements
- Flags Highly Relevant (HR!) topics:
  - Size of dots driven by % Highly Relevant KSIs in each element
  - Color of dots driven by gap from benchmark group (white snake)
- Zeros in on key improvement areas



#### **Beware the ESG Disclosure Trap**



#### Beware the 80/20 Governance Trap: Focus on the "G" in ESG

Lessons from the PG&E Bankruptcy Filing

by Gilbert S. Harlstrom

Judging by the praise lauded on Pacific Gas & Electric by external environmental, social and governance (ESG) rating agencies, the California utility was best among peers. Sustainalytics (a leading provider of ESG and corporate governance research, ratings, and analysis—used by Bloomberg and others) named PG&E an "outperformer"—canked in the 82nd percentile on governance and the 88th percentile on environment. PG&E was rated the No. 1 utility in Corporate Responsibility magazine's 100 Best Corporate Citzens and by Newsweek Topen Rankings. Newsweek also listed the company No. 4 overall.

Then, in what The Wall Street Journal called "the first major corporate casually of climate change," PG&E filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Jaruary 29, 2019. But wait a minute; shouldn't the ESG ratings have caught that? Not likely. External ESG ratings fall the 80/20 rule. They may be able to measure 80 percent of environmental and social impacts. However, they barely capture 20 percent of governance. And governance is by far the most important of the "E-S-G."

This Sustainability Matters analyzes the PG&E climate-change related bankruptcy as an example of how external ESG ratings fall to fully measure the governance element of ESG. The author makes the point that external ESG ratings only capture a very small portion of the "G" in ESG, something the author calls the "80/02 ESG governance trap."

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**About 50%** of corporate ESG activity is <u>disclosed</u>

**The other 50%** is private: how the company manages ESG

ESG Reporting Frameworks (GRI, SASB, TCFD) and ESG Ratings (ISS, MSCI, S&P, etc.)

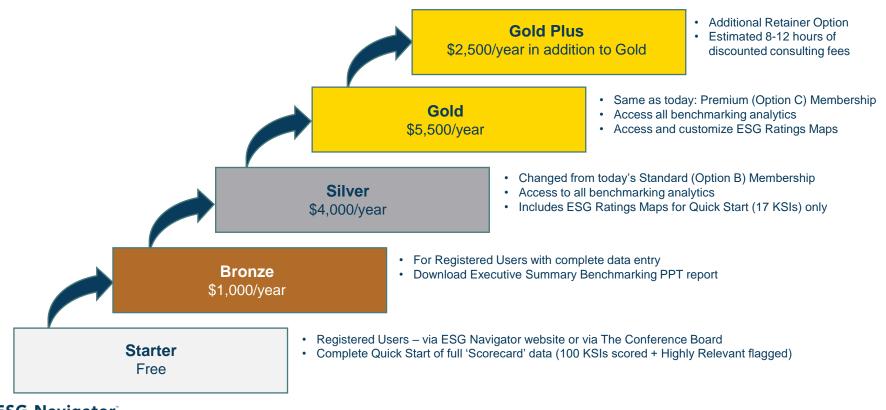
- Address only the disclosure half...
- Don't measure the most important things!

ESG Navigator helps companies see the full picture...



## **ESG Navigator Membership Options**

**Effective September 2022** 



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#### **Great Value for the Money**

Members say:

"We would pay about \$500K for what ESG

Navigator provides (for ~\$5K)"

"It's a **simple** tool using **clear** language to help you understand what *good*, better, and best look like – and what's expected of you as you progress."

Scott Tew, VP Sustainability | Trane Technologies



#### **Get Started Now**

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