

How to create ESG metrics for your company?



Climate change strategy,
Biodiversity,
Water efficiency,
Energy efficiency,
Carbon intensity,
Enviromental
management system





SOCIAL

Equal opportunities,
Freedom of association,
Health and safety,
Human rights,
Customer &
products resposibility,
Child labour

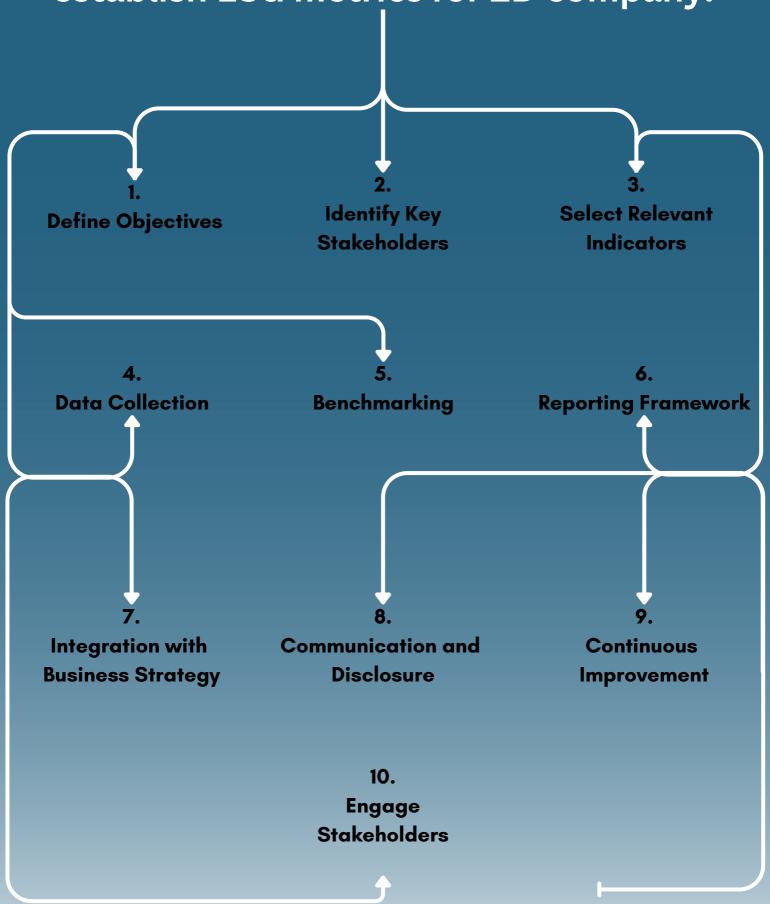


GOVERNANCE

Business ethics, Compliance, Board independence, Executive compensation, Shareholder democracy



Here's a walkthrough scenario to establish ESG metrics for ZD company:





Define Objectives:

 Objective: "ZD aims to lead in sustainable technology while minimizing environmental impact, promoting social responsibility, and ensuring strong governance practices."

Identify Key Stakeholders:

• Stakeholders: Investors, customers, employees, local communities, environmental organizations.



Select Relevant Indicators:

- Environmental:
- 1. Carbon emissions per product.
- 2. Percentage of recycled materials used.
- Social:
 - 1. Diversity index in the workforce.
- 2. Employee satisfaction surveys.
- Governance:
- 1. Number of board members with sustainability expertise.
- 2. Transparency of executive compensation.



Data Collection:

- Implement systems to track carbon emissions and material sourcing.
- Conduct regular diversity surveys and employee feedback sessions.
- Establish transparent financial reporting practices.



Benchmarking:

- Compare carbon emissions against industry averages.
- Evaluate diversity metrics against peer companies.
- Assess governance practices using industry standards.



Reporting Framework:

- Adopt the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) framework for comprehensive sustainability reporting.
- Use key performance indicators (KPIs) aligned with sustainability goals.

Integration with Business Strategy:

- Embed sustainability goals into product development.
- Ensure executive decisions consider ESG impacts.



Communication and Disclosure:

- Develop an annual sustainability report.
- Create a dedicated section on the company website for ESG disclosures.
- Engage with stakeholders through webinars and community events.

Continuous Improvement:

- Regularly review and update ESG metrics based on technological advancements and industry trends.
- Seek feedback from stakeholders to enhance sustainability efforts.



Engage Stakeholders:

- Host town hall meetings to gather community input.
- Conduct regular investor calls with ESG updates.
- Encourage employee participation in sustainability initiatives.



By following these steps, **ZD** can establish meaningful ESG metrics, fostering transparency, and demonstrating a commitment to sustainability in the fictional scenario.



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