IMPACT NOW

for sustainability

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IT'S TIME TO TAKE SUSTAINABILITY SERIOUSLY

The time for talk is over. Sustainability is no longer optional – it is an urgent necessity. Consumers demand it, governments are enforcing it, and the future of our planet depends on it.

1.19°C (2023)

highest recorded deviation in global surface temperatures

(Statista)

IMPACT NOW for sustainability is our commitment to addressing the triple planetary crises – climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution and waste. By embedding sustainability into every action, we contribute positively to society and help our clients achieve a net-zero, nature-positive and pollution-free future."

Géraldine Picaud
CEO, SGS

Key market drivers

- Planet – climate change, biodiversity loss, pollution and waste
- People – negative impacts on individuals and communities
- Business – corporations, ratings agencies and investors expect environmental, social and governance (ESG) compliance
- Government – ESG disclosures and product and process sustainability mandated

Whatever your industry, sustainability is now a core market driver.

But how can you achieve it?

IMPACT NOW is a new concept in the delivery of sustainability solutions. By consolidating our existing sustainability services under four pillars – climate, circularity, nature and ESG assurance – we have simplified your road to sustainability while creating a framework for developing the next generation of effective, forward-thinking solutions.

IMPACT NOW ON CLIMATE

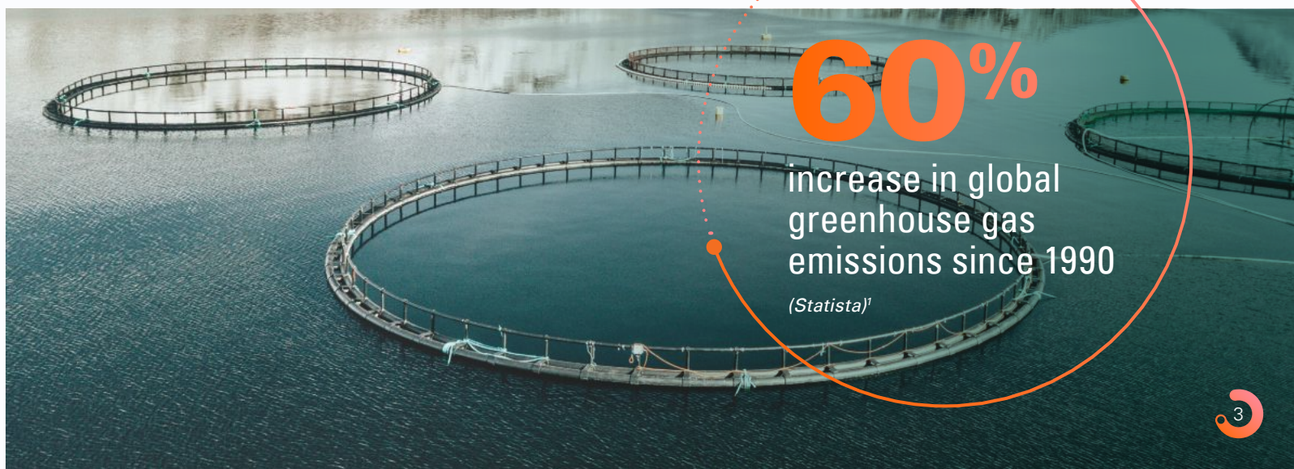
Combatting climate change is essential to protect our planet, but navigating the path to meaningful impact can be challenging without expert guidance.

IMPACT NOW on climate focuses on reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and accelerating the energy transition to achieve net-zero targets.

Trusted solutions

- GHG emissions consulting and carbon inventory support
- SBTi target setup
- Carbon footprint verification
- Offset and removal project validation and verification
- Carbon neutrality claim verification
- EU/UK Emissions Trading System (ETS) and Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) compliance
- Renewable energy CAPEX/OPEX assurance
- Asset decarbonization - management systems certification, energy audits and savings verification
- New fuels - testing and certification
- EV battery testing - power conversion systems (PCS) for energy storage

[1] https://www.statista.com/statistics/1285502/annual-global-greenhouse-gas-emissions/



60%

increase in global greenhouse gas emissions since 1990

(Statista)[1]

IMPACT NOW ON CIRCULARITY

A circular economy minimizes waste by rethinking how we design, use and manage materials. Through innovative technologies and better design, we can reduce reliance on virgin materials, instead promoting reuse and recycling.

IMPACT NOW on circularity focuses on reducing plastic pollution and advancing the transition to a circular economy through sustainable design, preferred materials, recyclability and effective waste management.

Trusted solutions

- Recycling technologies: plastic waste characterization, pyrolyze oil testing, chain of custody certification
  - International Sustainability and Carbon Certification (ISCC) Plus
- Materials and products
  - Life cycle assessment (LCA) studies and Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) verification
  - Recycled content and Biobased content certification: Global Recycled Standard (GRS), Recycled Claim Standard (RCS), RecyClass
  - Packaging claim support
  - Biodegradability, Compostability testing
  - Recyclability / assessments
- Supply chain traceability Digital Product Passport (DPP) verification
- Plastics pollution prevention
  - Operation Clean Sweep® (OCS) certification

Only 8.6%

of global resources are recycled and reused

(Circle Economy Foundation, 2024)

IMPACT NOW ON NATURE

What affects nature, affects us all. A nature-positive approach benefits everyone, from conserving biodiversity and securing food and water resources to preventing disease and building resilience against climate change.

IMPACT NOW on nature delivers targeted solutions to manage environmental risks and address the challenges posed by forever chemicals.

Trusted solutions

- Environmental due diligence and impact assessment, soil, air and water testing
- Biodiversity assessment and monitoring: E-DNA and microbiome analysis
- PFAS and microplastic solutions
- Forestry supply chain traceability and assurance
  - FSC, PEFC
- EUDR compliance services
  - RSPO, RTRS and other commodities

73%

global wildlife population decline in the past 50 years

(WWF Living Planet Report 2024)

IMPACT NOW ON ESG ASSURANCE

Investors, clients and society expect organizations to strengthen resilience against climate change and reduce their negative impact on planet and people. A robust ESG strategy, aligned to your corporate purpose, ensures you meet these expectations while unlocking opportunities.

IMPACT NOW on ESG assurance helps you mitigate risks, enhance your ESG strategy, and achieve compliance with evolving regulations.

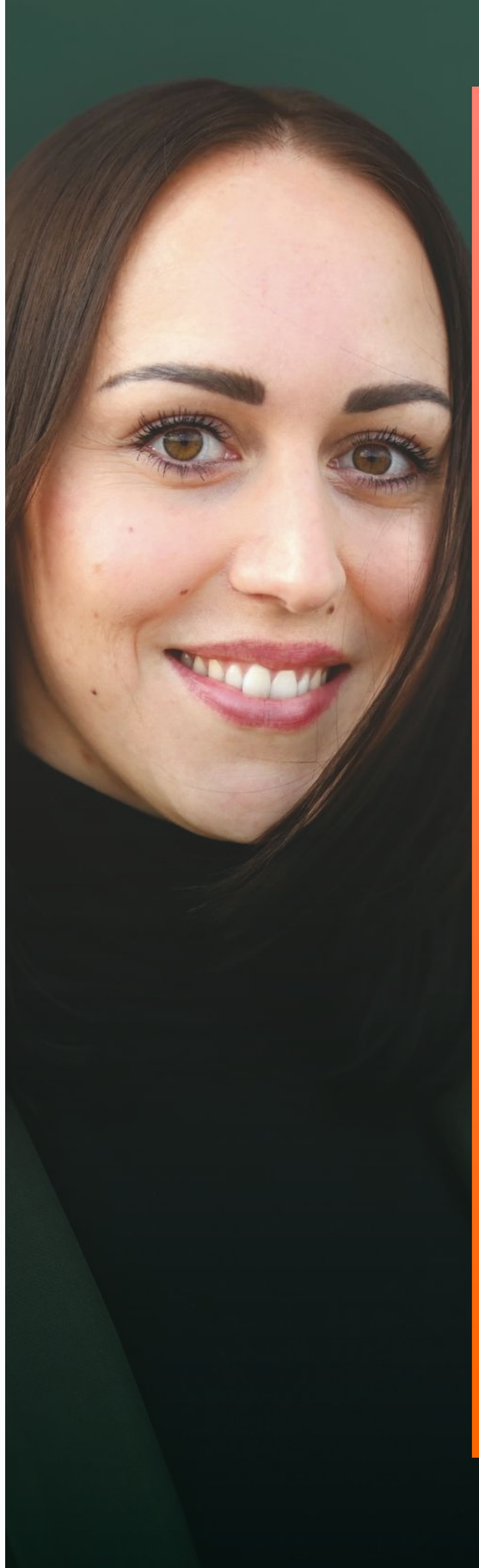
Trusted solutions

- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) pre-assurance
  - Assurance readiness review
  - Double Materiality Assessment
  - Sustainability report preparation/generation
- ESG advisory and training
  - ESG Health Check
  - ESG Gap Analysis
- Non-financial report assurance and KPI verification
  - CSRD where permitted, ISSB and other frameworks
- Supplier risk management
- Social and environmental supplier auditing
  - FSSC 24000, SMETA audits, amfori BSCI and Higg Index services

84%

projected ESG-focused institutional investment increase by 2026

(PWC, 2022)



Why choose SGS?

With over 30 years of leadership in sustainability, scientific excellence and industry-specific expertise, we are at the forefront of global best practices and standards development. IMPACT NOW for sustainability unites our comprehensive range of solutions, providing you with the tools and insights needed to meet the growing demands of consumers, businesses, governments and the planet.

Key advantages

- Develop a clear sustainability vision
- Quantify impacts for precise performance measurement
- Reduce environmental footprints
- Strengthen ESG management
- Meet stakeholder demands
- Secure sustainable investments
- Ensure regulatory compliance
- Achieve sustainability goals
- Build trust in your brand

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