

# How sustainable is your strategy?

A KPMG Guide To Diagnosing and Defining Responsible Growth

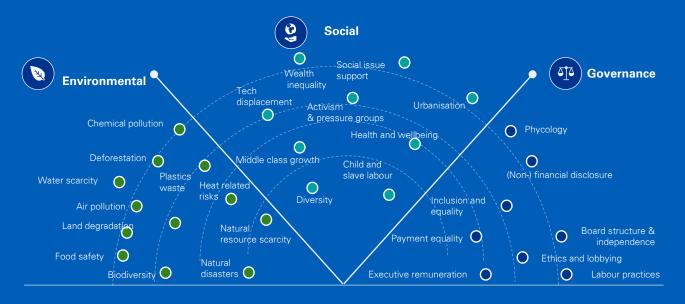
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## ESG mega trends are becoming unprecedented drivers of change

A wide range of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) megatrends will mpact the financial stability of economies and the prosperity of businesses and consumers



### ESG implications are more widely understood and consumers, society and shareholder will increasingly demand change





## We believe ESG trends will change what it takes to succeed

#### The ESG megatrends are creating the necessary conditions for disruption

**Shared value business models:** Businesses who look beyond pure financial growth, and recognise the powerful connection between company strategy, social purpose, and economic value, will outperform their peers, and deliver superior returns to both to society and shareholders





Sustainability will be an engine for long term business profitability: Customers, regulators and investor sentiment is changing in favour of more sustainable companies. These businesses have a unique opportunity to build lasting competitive advantages

Sustainable businesses will enjoy lower cost of capital: Investors recognise that sustainable businesses offer lower risk and/or better long term shareholder value, likely triggering a fundamental reshaping of financing. Businesses with poor ESG metrics will have higher costs of capital





**Financial services are accelerators for ESG transition:** Financial institutions are under pressure from policy makers and governments to support companies with positive ESG credentials. This will change the flow of capital and accelerate the ESG adoption of communities and countries

Collaborate to compete: Winning businesses will recognise they do not have to improve their ESG footprint alone and will partner and collaborate across their value and supply chain. The ability to manage partnerships and alliances will become more important to all organisations





**Design out waste:** Innovative, efficient, closed loop processes are rapidly evolving, which allow businesses to transition to a 'zero-waste' platform where all products, materials and services become part of a circular economy

Public private partnerships: The shift in society's preferences will spur political and regulatory changes. This will create fertile conditions for private public as well as cross industry partnerships to tackle shared sustainability challenges





No one left behind: Moving to a more sustainable world must also mean managing the geopolitical and social risks of certain locations/industries being adversely affected. Investors, regulators and governments will expect a responsible exit strategy

**ESG reporting will become mandatory:** Climate-related financial disclosures will be harmonised across sectors and other measures will be aligned with the SDGs and principal ESG domains of governance, planet, people and prosperity





What are the key systemic opportunities and risks to my business in the near and medium term?



What do my customers, employees and investors demand of me?



What are my strategic options and which should I prioritise in order to capitalize on opportunities and address risks?



What changes are required to my business and operating model to become a more sustainable business?



How do I maintain my short-term performance while transitioning to a more sustainable business?



### Is your business fulfilling its sustainability potential?

It's no longer just a compliance question. Businesses across all sectors have a unique opportunity to capitalise on the ESG megatrends and build lasting competitive advantages

#### Our 9 Levers of Value framework can help

#### KPMG's 9 Levers of Value **Key Strategic Considerations** What is your ESG ambition - market leading, shaper or just complying? **Financial** outcomes How may the value of your as-is business be impacted by ESG trends under strategic different scenarios? ambition What are the key ESG trends in your market? Who are Where to play the disrupters? Markets How sustainable are your products compared to your What does sustainability mean to your customers, **Propositions** shareholders and regulators - what do they value? and brands Are your partners and distribution channels aligned with Profitable your sustainability goals? How could you re-invent your supply chain to improve **Customers and** sustainability and unlock value? channels How may technology or process **Core business** innovation make your business processes more sustainable? Are your sustainability goals reflected in your risk and **Technology** Governance processes? and operations infrastructure Is your culture conducive to achieving your goals? Do you have the right skills mix? Governance, Operational structure and How are your sustainability excellence risk goals reflected in business and personal performance targets? Does your MI and data support People and your sustainability journey? culture How do you engage and communicate your position to Management customers and stakeholders? information and Measures and key performance incentives indicator dashboards

# ESG considerations must become an integral part of your business strategy and value drivers

From insights to results - our framework help you develop and implement your sustainability strategy



#### **Part 1::**

Our dynamic ESG assessment will identify your key risks and opportunities, their materiality and interdependencies



#### Part 2:

Using our Diagnostic tool, we illustrate your relative ESG maturity and the gap



between your 'as-is' business and desired 'to-be'



#### Part 3:

Our customer and SME insights help us jointly identify opportunities for you to integrate sustainability in your business and create competitive advantage



#### Part 4:

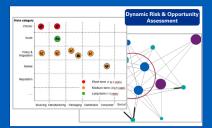
Our ESG strategy approach creates a shortlist of compelling and implementable strategic options, thoroughly tested and co-created for buy-in

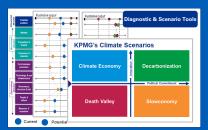


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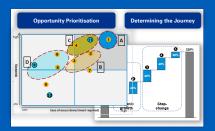
A practical implementation roadmap and plan identify how to operationalize your preferred strategic options and ensure you can mobilise rapidly















## KPMG is helping shape the Sustainable Business agenda

**Our network** 

#### wbcsd

**United Nations** Global Compact

**FCLT**GLOBAL

WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM

**TCFD** 

CLIMATE-RELATED

#### **Our Thought Leadership**







**Ethical Supply Chains** 

**Circular Economy** 

Sustainable Finance

Climate Risk & Zero Carbon

**Corporate Financial Stability** 

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The KPMG Global Sustainability Institute tackles the most important sustainability challenges and opportunities, providing:

- Exclusive webinars and events
- Latest news and views from KPMG experts and industry leaders
- Sustainability research across all sectors.



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