# EY Net Zero Transformation

Supporting organisations through their decarbonisation transformation



## **Business drivers**

Decarbonisation is urgently needed, but organisations require solutions that support meaningful action.

- Climate change fuels more frequent and extreme weather events.
- 21% of the world's 2,000 largest companies have committed to meeting net zero targets. Decarbonisation is urgently needed, but progress is slow and limited.
- Increased pressures from regulators, consumers and investors reflect the need to act for the business.

## Solution overview

The EY Net Zero Transformation Solution provides companies with reliable data and full visibility of carbon footprints to make sound future decisions. It helps them select, prioritise and monitor the right intervention pathways and investments for their business. This results in a lower-risk transition that will accelerate the client's sustainability journey, facilitating them to model decarbonisation strategies and support the planning, management, and delivery of broad decarbonisation.

#### Key functionality:

Organisations have set ambitious net zero targets but face significant challenges to achieve them. Most decarbonisation solutions in the market focus on data and reporting, but don't address the actual planning and delivery of decarbonisation. The EY Net Zero Transformation Solution expands Microsoft Sustainability Manager's data and reporting capabilities, with a specific focus on intervention pathways. The EY Net Zero Transformation Solution uses Microsoft Sustainability Manager, Power Apps, Power Automate, Power BI, Microsoft 365 and Microsoft Azure.

Becoming a sustainable business requires transformative change across the business.



### Solution benefits

Deliver material decarbonisation faster with less risk, at a lower cost:

- Receive full carbon visibility and value chain transparency.
- Facilitate bigger impact with better decisions, drive change through the value chain and continuous optimisation.
- Identify, deliver and track the right interventions to net zero with the best underlying funding and capital allocation.
- Engage your suppliers to record and reduce emissions.
- Evidence low carbon in your products to sell "net zero".
- Gain market and consumer trust, by delivering proven emission reduction.
- Allow greater certainty of outcomes, managed risks and improved governance.

# Joint value proposition

- EY teams have 25+ years of experience in sustainability and EY is recognised as an industry leader, allowing to pull on a vast choice of decarbonisation levers in our service model.
- Strategic partnership with Microsoft at the product group-level allows co-innovation on Sustainability Manager.

### Solution differentiators

- Provides an integrated solution that goes beyond the calculation and reporting of an emissions footprint into supporting clients in operationalising decarbonisation goals and achieving their net zero targets
- Offers a mix of interactive supplier engagement tools and dedicated supplier development services to drive change through the value chain and reduce scope three emissions faster
- Facilitates traceability of emissions along the value chain and a breakdown of emissions at a product level, allowing you to evidence the low carbon credentials of your products and services

# Case study

A leading fashion retailer in the UK needed help to develop a roadmap and analyse as well as optimise key metrics related to its environmental, social and governance (decarbonisation) targets.

## Client challenge

- Low confidence in the roadmap to achieve ambitious decarbonisation targets
- Struggling to quantify decarbonisationrelated benefits and costs
- Excel-based decarbonisation data collection and manual reporting, which is time and effort intensive as well as frustrating
- No visibility if the right interventions were prioritised and if the interventions were delivering the projected results

# **Engagement summary**

- Strategic diagnostic to understand current progress and key risks of decarbonisation strategy and plan
- Refined definition, management and tracking of more than 30 interventions
- Built a net zero roadmap and business case for financial year 2023-2025
- Current state assessment and recommendations of the data, process and technology landscape for emissions

#### Value delivered

- Helped create a robust sustainability roadmap with clear interim targets and accountability
- Improved risk management by quantifying the risk, value and cost profile
- Prioritised budget allocation based on decarbonisation impact, benefit and cost
- Facilitated capability to measure, report and analyse emissions across scopes one, two and three with the EY Net Zero Transformation Solution digital product

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