

**ESG & Sustainability Solution** 

## **ESG:** An organizational and morale imperative

#### Natural disasters and world political crises

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Climate change affects the safety of every industry sector through physical risks, such as extreme weather events. Drivers of physical risk and transition\* risk will impact almost every enterprise.

#### Supply chain shortages and failures

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These risks affect also the resilience of institutions' business models from mid to longer term. This is particularly valid for institutions whose business model depends on sectors and markets that are particularly vulnerable to climate and environmental risks.

#### Influence on enterprise value and share prices

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These severe changes can directly hit enterprises – e.g. by falling profitability or shareholder value. In addition, economic changes resulting from climate change (e.g. higher energy and/or labor cost) will create additional challenges to these enterprises.

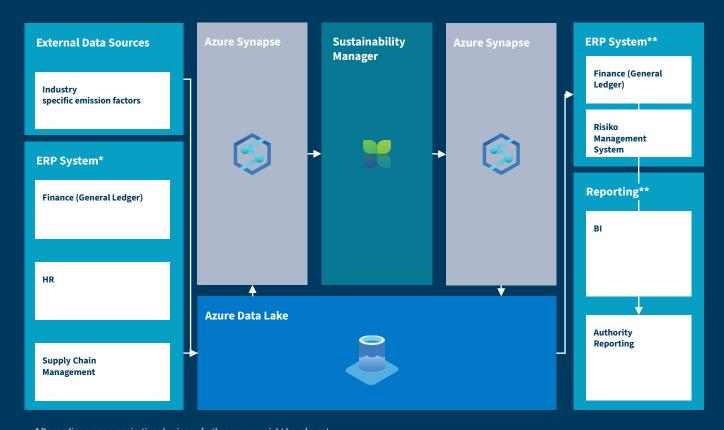
### Monitoring of risks and disclosure of information

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The Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive released by the EU in November 2022 is changing both scope and nature of corporate sustainability reporting. Enterprises will face significantly enhanced requirements of non-financial reporting.

<sup>\*</sup> Business leaders must analyze and assess their business partners of how they evolve on their transition journey towards a zero-carbon economy.

### **HSO + Microsoft**: Empowering your ESG performance



<sup>\*</sup> Depending on an organizations business, further sources might be relevant.

#### Fulfilling regulatory requirements by using Microsoft Technology

HSO will identify the GAPs within our predefined four dimensions of your company within a workshop format.

- Organisation & Governance
- Processes & Policy Systems & Information
- Talent & People

HSO determines a roadmap for closing the GAPs in the individual dimensions and under consideration of dependencies.

In the dimension "Systems & Information", the base for the system landscape is recorded. The goal is to determine which data is available and which interfaces are needed in order to fulfill the regulatory requirements.

The Microsoft Sustainability Manager serves as a base element for collecting and presenting the emission data in a structured form.

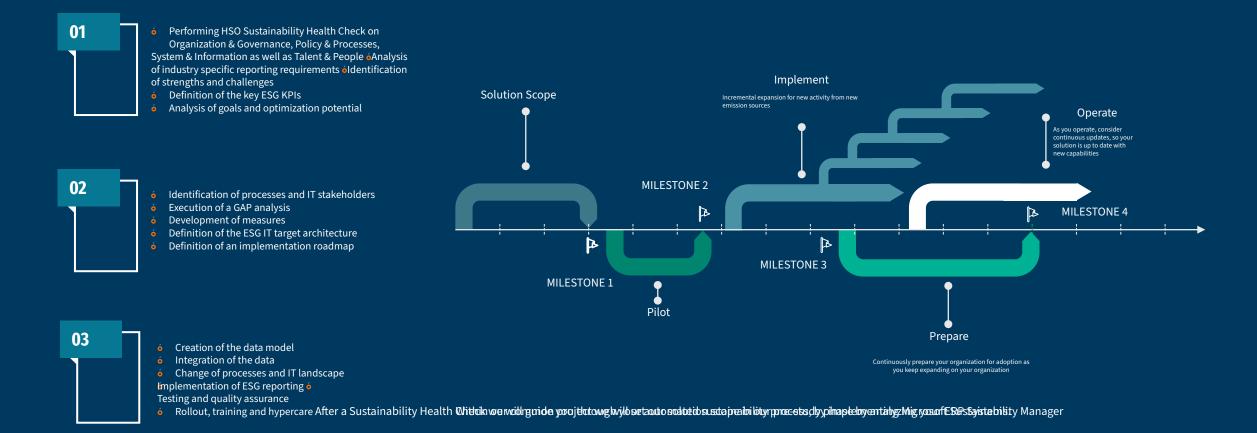
Furthermore, Microsoft technology together with HSO\*\* provide the monetary relation and maps those into EU taxonomy specifications.

"The advantage of the Microsoft-based solution outlined is its flexibility and scalability. The solution can be integrated into various ERP application landscapes."

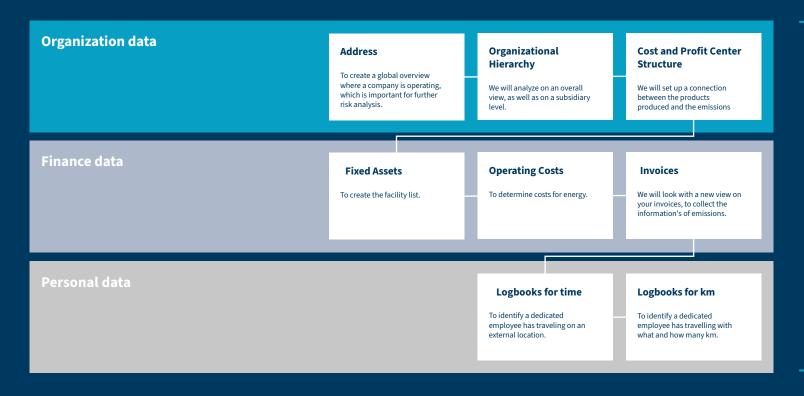


<sup>\*\*</sup> Independent of the already existing system landscape and software of third-party providers.

# **Step 1:** Conduct a Sustainability Health Check



## **Step 2:** Identify & Analyze Emissions



#### Together with HSO you will identify your Emission sources

HSO will support you to determine the area. This can include the direct emissions from business operations and the indirect emissions from an organization services or product.

- The emission sources will be identified by analyzing the accounting areas for example within the fixed assets.\* Here, the ERP system provides the direct emissions sources and the indirect emissions sources.
- Therefore, an inbound interface to Microsoft Sustainability Manager will be set to calculate, visualize and manage the information.

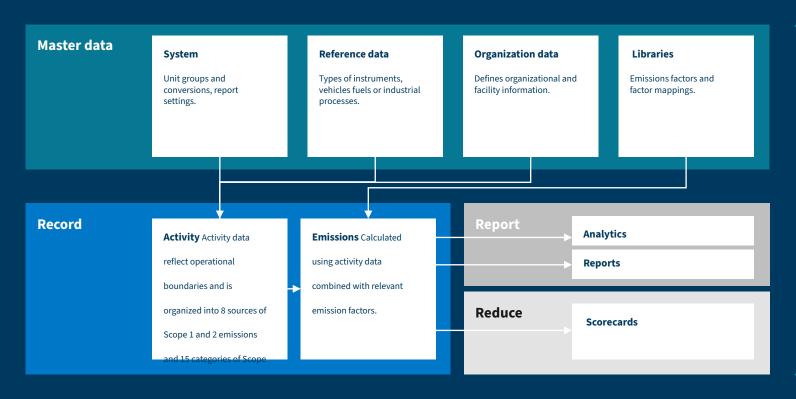
Through the HSO project approach we will consider the Emissions Sources throughout the whole organization, depending on the scope.

- With your organizational data we are analyzing the base information of the organization, for which the solution is built.
- With the fixed assets we create on base-level location to attribute activity data.
   Those may contain multiple buildings and organizational units.
- We use anonymous data out of the personal system to analyze your entity for business travel activity data, including vehicle, train, and air travel, as well as hotel stays.\*\*

<sup>\*</sup> Depending on an organizations business, different sources might be relevant, such as Supply Chain Management Tooling.

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## **Step 3:** Set Sustainability Targets



#### **Measure Emissions recording to GHG Protocol**

With the HSO project approach and the integration of Microsoft Sustainability Manager into the existing system landscape, HSO has created a solution to enable structured data collection, processing and reporting.

- The boundaries have already been determined in the analysis of sources, which capture the direct and indirect emissions of an organization.
- The Sustainability Manager already includes a standard set of emission factors and more over has the possibility to enter custom emissions which are fitting to an organization's operations.\*
- HSO will guide your organization through to create an inventory of emissions by compiling the emission quantities from all identified sources.

By transforming those data into information, HSO consider the regulatory requirements and creates a base, by visualizing Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions after GHG Protocol.

The identification within assets and activity of an organization creates the emission inventory and lead to the base for TCFD and EU taxonomy reporting.

Together with HSO, score cards will be created and goals for the sustainability journey will be set.

<sup>\*</sup> Depending on an organizations business, HSO and Microsoft will consider if a third-party provider is needed to determine emission data.

# **Step 4:** Measure Performance



### HSO transmit your emissions into monetary values

HSO will guide you with an outbound interface to your Finance system to generate the respective regulatory KPIs

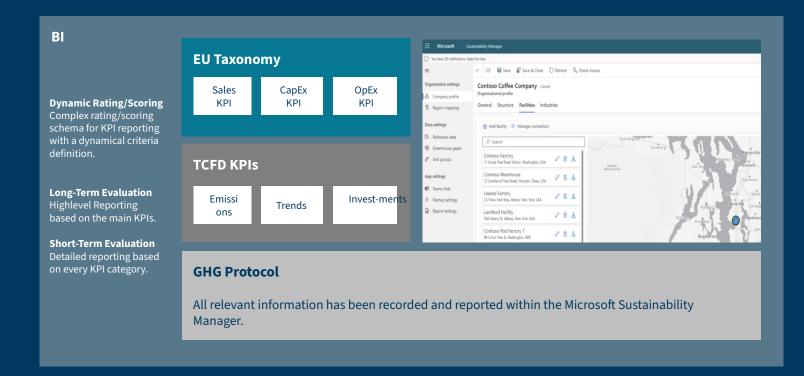
- Sales KPI: The proportion of its sales revenue generated by products or services related to economic activities that are classified which are to be classified as environmentally sustainable by EU Taxonomy.
- CapEx KPI: Proportion of their capital expenditures and, where applicable, related to Assets or processes associated with economic activities that are considered environmentally sustainable
- OpEx KPI: Proportion of their operational expenditures and, where applicable, related to Assets or processes associated with economic activities that are considered environmentally sustainable

The TCFD provides a framework for disclosing climate-related information but leaves room for companies to customize it to reflect their specific circumstances and challenges.

HSO will support you in disclosing on Industry, size and type of business.

<sup>\*</sup> Depending on an organizations scope further TCFD KPIs are possible to implement.

### **Step 5:** Meet Sustainability Goals



#### HSO will enable you to manage you Emissions

Different new types of values become relevant in a corporate management. Due to this, HSO consults you within your transformation of BI reporting.

Within your BI Reporting we will build an overview based on the already gathered information. The Emissions Score Cards and goals within the Sustainability Manager will be transformed into monetary values.

- HSO will extract EU Taxonomy Information out of the finance systems and transform the data into KPIs.
- TCFD KPIs will be visualized and your direct impact. The combination of your
  capital expenditure associated with economic activities which are considered
  environmentally sustainable and become transparent.
- HSO will guide you to a new set of BI Reporting which is presenting an organizations risk and chances through emissions. Through this visualization of data, the emissions can be measured and reduced.



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