

# **GRI Training Curriculum**

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## 1 GRI Education

### Description

The activities of GRI Education are closely linked to this focus area of GRI: to “Lead efficient and effective sustainability reporting: Improve the quality of disclosures made using the GRI Standards.”

### Online learning: GRI Academy

The GRI Academy is GRI’s learning platform that hosts various training courses covering sustainability and sustainability reporting using the GRI Standards. Individuals worldwide can sign up and choose how, when, and where to start learning. The online courses offer interactive and narrated learning with intermediate checkpoints to monitor progress and help you stay on track.

### Professional certification programs

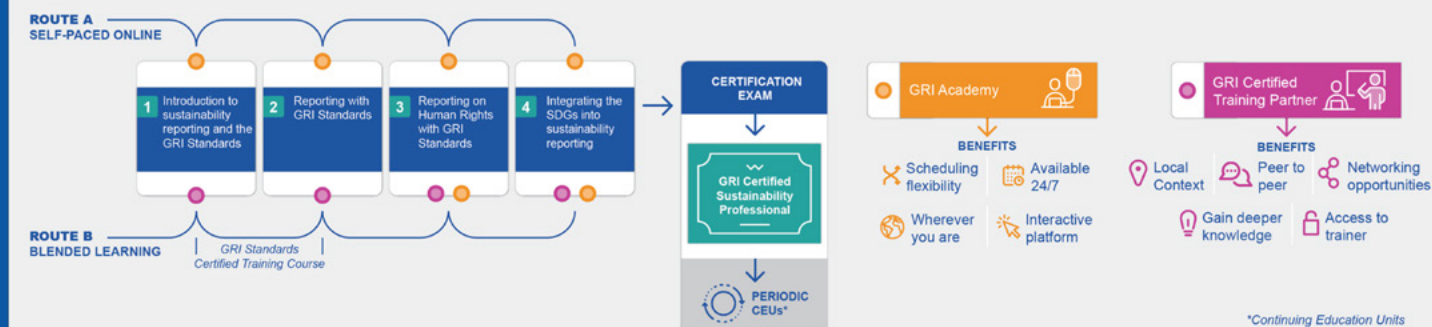
Sustainability professionals can obtain the title “GRI Certified Sustainability Professional” and “Certified ESRS Sustainability Professional” by completing the related certification program. The GRI certification program covers the fundamentals of sustainability reporting with the GRI Standards and includes a course on the reporting landscape. The ESRS certification program covers the reporting process with the ESRS from start to finish. Both programs end with an online certification exam.

### eLearning or instructor-led?

Learners who prefer a learning experience with guidance from a trainer can opt to take one or more of the certification courses with one of the Certified Training Partners present in our worldwide training network. This blended learning path uses local and context-specific materials and helps learners build their network and broaden their perspectives through knowledge-sharing with fellow participants.

### Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

GRI wants to encourage sustainability professionals to continue learning about sustainability reporting and the GRI Standards. Therefore, we require individuals who want to maintain their status as certified professionals to periodically collect a specified number of so-called Continuing Education Units (CEUs). CEUs represent learning hours in the field of sustainability reporting and can be collected (a.o.) by completing CEUs courses on the GRI Academy.



## 2 GRI Professional Certification Program

### Description

The GRI Professional Certification Program is designed to enhance knowledge, expertise, and skills of sustainability professionals in implementing the GRI Standards to improve the quality of sustainability reporting. Based on the GRI Universal Standards, the program covers the fundamentals of reporting with the GRI Standards in the context of the evolving sustainability reporting landscape

### Included Courses:

1. Introduction to sustainability reporting and GRI Standards
2. Reporting with the GRI Standards
3. Reporting on Human Rights with the GRI Standards
4. Integrating the SDGs into sustainability reporting
5. Certification exam

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# 1. Introduction to Sustainability Reporting and the GRI Standards

## Description

Climate change, human rights, poverty — sustainable development addresses all these global issues and more. It fosters a greener, equitable and inclusive world. The GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards (GRI Standards) are the first and most widely used standards for sustainability reporting. They help organizations to provide information on their impacts on sustainable development in a way that enables comparisons and creates transparency.

The course introduces learners to the practice of sustainability reporting and explores key concepts for reporting using the GRI Standards. It takes learners through the current sustainability challenges our world is facing and explains how these can be overcome through sustainable development. In addition, the course introduces learners to the history of GRI and explains the process by which the GRI Standards are developed and updated. The course describes the benefits of sustainability reporting and presents the main concepts of the GRI Standards such as the reporting principles, stakeholder engagement, impact, and material topics.



300 €



6h



Access: one year



No specific prior knowledge is required to follow this course



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## Course content

The course is structured as follows:

- Sustainability challenges
- Sustainability reporting
- GRI and the GRI Standards
- Self-assessment

## Audience

This course is aimed at anyone who wishes to know more about sustainability, sustainability reporting, and how the GRI Standards can help organizations increase their transparency and communicate their sustainability contributions and impacts.

## 2. Reporting with the GRI Standards

### Description

This self-paced online course is designed for individuals seeking to gain a comprehensive understanding of the GRI Standards and how to use the Standards for best practice impact reporting. The course delivers a tailored learning experience that blends the theory of the GRI Standards with suggestions for their practical application.

The course explains the structure and purpose of the GRI Standards and introduces the requirements for reporting in accordance with the Standards. It describes the process for identifying impacts and determining material topics, as well as how to report on impacts associated with each topic.

### Course content

The course is structured as follows:

- Part 1: GRI Standards Basics
  - Main features
  - Standards-specific terminology
  - The corporate reporting landscape
- Part 2: The system of GRI Standards
  - Key concepts, reporting principles, and “in accordance” requirements
- Part 3: Reporting using the GRI Standards
  - Step-by-step guidance on reporting using the GRI Standards
- Part 4: Determine material topics
- Part 5: Report information
- Part 6: Final Steps

### Audience

This course is aimed at a wide range of users, from sustainability consultants, CSR specialists, and reporters, to C-suite executives and students in the field of sustainability and CSR reporting.

**300 €****3h****Access: one year****Learners are encouraged to read the GRI Universal Standards before taking the course****English, Spanish****Certificate of completion**[View Link](#)

### 3. Reporting on Human Rights with the GRI Standards

#### Description

This course is self-paced, providing an in-depth overview and analysis of how to report on human rights with the GRI Standards. The course offers a holistic view of the relevance of human rights and human rights transparency for organizations. It describes the key concepts and the process for identifying impacts and determining material topics in the GRI Standards related to human rights. In addition, the course discusses the disclosures in the GRI Standards related to reporting on human rights. Through case studies and examples, the course provides practical insights on how to report on human rights using the GRI Standards. It uses knowledge checks and assessments to ensure the material has been properly understood.

#### Course content

The course is structured as follows:

- Introduction to the course
- Part 1: Introduction to human rights and human rights reporting
- Part 2: Fundamentals of the GRI Standards
- Part 3: Reporting expectations and disclosures for human rights set out in the GRI Standards
- Final takeaways and wrap up

#### Audience

This course is aimed at new and existing reporting practitioners as well as the sustainability professionals that assist them. Other users of the GRI Standards, such as students, academics, data users, or policymakers who want to understand and gain practical knowledge on how to report on human rights using the GRI Standards are also welcome to take this course.

**200 €****3h****Access: one year****To fully comprehend the subject matter, working knowledge of the GRI Standards is recommended****English, Spanish****Certificate of completion**[View Link](#)

## 4. Integrating the SDGs into Sustainability Reporting

### Description

This training course explores the global sustainability challenges addressed by the Global Goals and defines the business case for engaging with the SDGs. It explains the role of sustainability reporting and how it contributes to sustainable development and the achievement of the SDGs. In addition, it interprets the current trends, challenges, and opportunities faced by organizations when it comes to reporting on the SDGs.

It takes a deep dive into practical aspects of integrating the SDGs into existing sustainability reporting processes by following the four-step approach outlined in the revised *GRI Universal Standards 2021*. The course also explores how organizations can disclose the integration of sustainable development considerations into their strategy and management decisions.

During this course you will be encouraged to reflect on subjects related to the Global Goals, test the knowledge you have gained, and hear from practitioners about the value of reporting on the SDGs and recommendations based on their own reporting experience.

### Course content

The course is structured as follows:

- Introduction to the course
- Part 1: How the SDGs and sustainability reporting enable sustainable development
- Part 2: Reporting on the SDGs: current trends, challenges, and opportunities
- Part 3: Integrating the SDGs into Sustainability Reporting
- Part 4: Manage impacts and implement change
- Conclusion and key take-aways

### Audience

This course is aimed at sustainability professionals who want to get a better understanding of how the UN Sustainable Development Goals could be integrated into sustainability reporting practices or are trying to embed the SDGs in sustainability reports.



200 €



3h



Access: one year



There are no specific prerequisites for this course



English, Spanish



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## 5. Certification Exam

### Description

The Certification exam is the final element of the GRI Professional Certification Program. It has a defined learning path that includes four courses that cover the fundamentals of reporting using the GRI Standards. Passing the exam grants individuals the status of 'GRI Certified Sustainability Professional'.

The exam tests learners' knowledge of the content covered in the four courses of the Professional Certification Program.

If candidates fail the exam, they can retake it three times with a 7-day cooling-off period between attempts. The Certification exam can only be taken online, through the GRI Academy. Candidates are required to install a proctoring software program on their computer before taking the exam to ensure the integrity of the exam attempt. No resources are allowed to be consulted during the exam.

### Course content

The exam consists of 40 questions of various types (single choice, multiple choice, true/false, complete the sentence). It has a passing score of 75% and must be completed in one hour.

### Audience

All individuals who have signed up for the GRI Professional Certification program, have completed the required courses and wish to obtain the status of 'GRI Certified Sustainability Professional'.



250 €



1h



Completing the compulsory learning path is a prerequisite to taking the exam

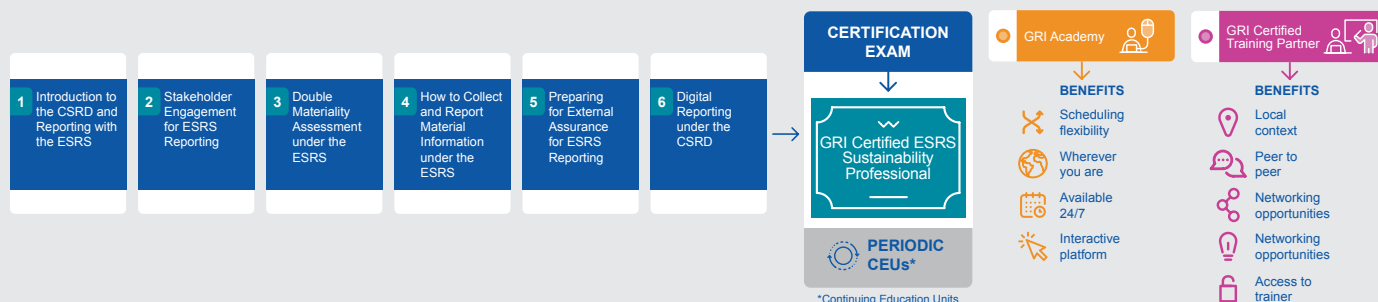


English, Spanish



GRI Certification after passing the exam





## 3 ESRS Professional Certification Program

### Description

The ESRS continue to transform the practice of sustainability reporting within the EU and beyond. Prepare yourself and gain comprehensive expertise by earning a trusted certification in ESRS reporting, issued by GRI, one of the main co-creators of the ESRS.

The ESRS Certification Program is designed for individuals involved in or preparing to meet the challenges of CSRD reporting. It offers professional development tailored to building the knowledge, expertise, and skills required for the effective application of the European Sustainability Reporting Standards.

### Included Courses:

1. Introduction to the CSRD and Reporting with the ESRS
2. Stakeholder Engagement for ESRS Reporting
3. Double Materiality Assessment under the ESRS
4. How to Collect and Report Material Information under the ESRS
5. Preparing for External Assurance for ESRS Reporting
6. Digital Reporting under the CSRD
7. Certification Exam

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# 1. Introduction to the CSRD and Reporting with the ESRS

## Description

Are you facing your first ESRS reporting and unsure where to start, feeling like you should have started yesterday? Or are you simply curious about the CSRD and ESRS, eager to learn more about it all? Join us for an introductory course that covers all the basics: from understanding the CSRD and its role in the sustainability reporting landscape, to mastering ESRS fundamentals and the exact steps you need to take to prepare for your first reporting cycle.

On top of that, you'll also have the opportunity to learn from a real-life example of a company preparing for its ESRS reporting, sharing their tips and tricks. Prepare yourself for an exciting journey into the realm of corporate sustainability reporting!

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: Purpose and value of sustainability reporting
- Part 2: The CSRD and its place in EU sustainability reporting landscape
- Part 3: Introduction to the ESRS
- Part 4: Preparation activities when reporting with the ESRS
- Part 5: In practice: Case study on preparing for first ESRS reporting
- Wrap-up

## Audience

This course caters to both beginners in sustainability reporting with the ESRS and anyone keen on understanding the fundamentals of the ESRS.



100 €



2h



Access: one year



There are no pre-requisites for this course



English



2 CEUs



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## 2. Stakeholder Engagement for ESRS Reporting

### Description

Are you feeling overwhelmed by the complexities of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS)? This online course will guide you through the essentials of stakeholder engagement for reporting in the context of the ESRS.

You'll learn about the significance of stakeholder engagement for impactful and transparent sustainability reporting and how it shapes an organization's vision, objectives, and strategy.

### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: Relevance of stakeholder engagement for sustainability reporting
- Part 2: Effective stakeholder engagement strategies
- Part 3: ESRS reporting requirements related to stakeholder engagement
- Part 4: In practice: Case studies on effective stakeholder engagement
- Wrap-up

### Audience

This course caters to both beginners in sustainability reporting with the ESRS and anyone interested in expanding their knowledge on the ESRS and effective stakeholder engagement practices.



200 €



1h 30m



Access: one year



There are no pre-requisites for this course



English



2 CEUs

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### 3. Double Materiality Assessment under the ESRS

#### Description

This course focuses on the essential concept of double materiality within the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS), a cornerstone for effective sustainability reporting under the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD). You'll dive into the practical steps required to conduct a double materiality assessment, understanding how to identify and report on both impact and financial materiality in line with ESRS requirements.

Through an interactive, self-paced format, this course will equip you with the tools and knowledge needed to perform a thorough double materiality assessment, enhancing your corporate reporting practices. Along with detailed guidance, the course features real-life case studies and practical insights to help you confidently navigate the complexities of ESRS and strengthen your sustainability reporting efforts.

#### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: The concept of materiality: definitions, importance, and trends
- Part 2: Double materiality in the ESRS
- Part 3: The ABCs of materiality assessment in the ESRS
- Part 4: Results of the materiality assessment
- Part 5: Materiality in action: practical tips
- Supplementary case studies
- Wrap-up

#### Audience

This course is aimed at individuals who are new to the practice of sustainability reporting and who are faced with the CSRD reporting mandate. In addition, the course is of value to sustainability consultants and external assurance providers interested in exploring the specific requirements of the ESRS related to double materiality reporting.



250 €



3h



Access: one year



Reporters, sustainability consultants, and external assurance providers dealing with CSRD and ESRS double materiality reporting requirements



English



3 CEUs

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## 4. How to Collect and Report Material Information under the ESRS

### Description

What key data points do organizations typically need to collect for comprehensive sustainability reporting? What should organizations report to meet the general disclosure requirements of the ESRS? And how should they approach reporting on material sustainability matters? These are just a few of the many questions covered in this online course.

The course starts by exploring common data collection activities in sustainability reporting and examining how they might be affected by the ESRS. Next, it looks into reporting using specific European standards, starting with ESRS 2 General Disclosures. This is followed by an in-depth look at reporting on topical ESRS and an overview of three topical standards: ESRS E1 Climate Change, ESRS S2 Workers in the Value Chain, and ESRS G1 Business Conduct.

The course closes with a real-life example, presenting a case study of how Prysmian, a multinational company specializing in cable and system production, is preparing to collect data and report in accordance with the ESRS.

### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: Common data collection activities
- Part 2: Reporting on ESRS 2 General Disclosures
- Part 3: Reporting on material sustainability matters
- Part 4: Reporting on ESRS E1, S2 and G1
- Part 5: Case study: Prysmian
- Wrap-up

### Audience

This course caters to anyone keen on understanding the intricacies of reporting material information with the ESRS.



200 €



2h



Access: one year



There are no pre-requisites for this course



English



2 CEUs

\*) Individual ESRS courses can be taken to meet the CEU requirements of the GRI Professional Certification.

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## 5. Preparing for External Assurance for ESRS Reporting

### Description

Have you ever wondered how your stakeholders perceive your organization's sustainability efforts? How confident are you that your company's sustainability reports truly reflect your commitment to ethical practices and responsible business conduct?

The CSRD's introduction of mandatory external assurance highlights the critical role of assurance. Assurance is an additional safeguard, helping ensure that sustainability claims are accurate, credible, and transparent.

This course explores the world of sustainability reporting assurance. It isn't just about compliance; it's about strengthening trust and credibility, enhancing your organization's reputation, and aligning your values with those of your stakeholders. The course addresses questions like "Why do organizations seek external assurance?" "How does external assurance for ESRS reports differ from traditional assurance of sustainability information?" and "What steps can organizations take to effectively prepare for the assurance process?".

### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: The process of external assurance
- Part 2: External assurance on ESRS reporting under the CSRD
- Part 3: Practical tips and tricks for reporters
- Wrap-up

### Audience

This course is designed for anyone seeking a solid understanding of external assurance in sustainability reporting, with a particular focus on the requirements of the CSRD.



200 €



2h



Access: one year



There are no pre-requisites for this course



English



2 CEUs

\*) Individual ESRS courses can be taken to meet the CEU requirements of the GRI Professional Certification.

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## 6. Digital Reporting under the CSRD

### Description

This course explores the world of digital reporting, its importance, and the specific requirements related to the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD). It starts by explaining digital reporting and why it matters. Then, it dives into the technical side of digital reporting, covering XBRL, digital taxonomy, and information tagging.

Next up is the practice of ESRS-based reporting, which includes a view of the ESRS requirements related to publishing information and key reporting formats, platforms, and practices to ensure your disclosures meet the requirements outlined in the standards.

The course finishes by looking ahead. How will digital reporting evolve and influence traditional formats like PDFs? Why should organizations prioritize digital reporting as part of their long-term strategy? And what trends, tools, and technologies are emerging to help organizations navigate this transformation?

### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: Reporting of the future – digitalization of sustainability information
- Part 2: Digitalization of sustainability information under the CSRD
- Part 3: Publishing sustainability information under the ESRS
- Part 4: Reporting of the future
- Wrap-up

### Audience

This course is intended for beginning sustainability reporting practitioners facing the CSRD mandate. It will also be of value to sustainability consultants and external assurance providers interested in gaining a deeper understanding of digital reporting and its impacts on sustainability disclosure in the future.



200 €



1.5h



Access: one year



This course does not have specific prerequisites, but basic knowledge of sustainability reporting and the ESRS will be beneficial.



English



2 CEUs

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## 7. Certification Exam

### Description

The certification exam is the final element of the ESRS Professional Certification Program. It has a defined learning path that includes six courses that cover the process of reporting with the ESRS. Passing the exam grants individuals the status of 'GRI Certified ESRS Sustainability Professional'.

The exam tests learners' knowledge of the content covered in the six courses of the ESRS Professional Certification Program.

If candidates fail the exam, they can retake it three times with a 7-day cooling-off period between attempts. The certification exam can only be taken online, through the GRI Academy.

### Course Content

The exam consists of 40 questions of various types (single choice, multiple choice, true/false, complete the sentence). It has a passing score of 75% and must be completed in one hour.

### Audience

All individuals who have signed up for the ESRS Professional Certification program, have completed the required courses and wish to obtain the status of 'GRI Certified ESRS Sustainability Professional'.

**100 €****1h****Access: one year****The candidate must have completed the required certification courses****English**

## 4 CEU Courses

### Unlocking the ESRS for GRI reporters

#### Description

This course introduces learners to the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the instrument for achieving CSRD compliance, the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS). It explains how existing GRI reporters can leverage their current reporting processes and practices to report with the ESRS. The course further explains how the two sets of standards are aligned, how organizations can report using both to disclose their impacts, risks and opportunities, and how to apply the existing mapping documents between the two standards.

#### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: Getting to know the CSRD and the ESRS
- Part 2: Exploring the ESRS further
- Part 3: Leveraging the GRI process to determine material topics for ESRS reporting
- Part 4: Comparing ESRS and GRI disclosures
- Part 5: Publishing ESRS reports
- Part 6: Where do you go from here?
- Wrap-up

#### Audience

This course is aimed at GRI reporters and those who support them in all organizations that are affected by the European Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD).



300 €



3h



Access: one year



Intended for experienced GRI reporters and those who support them



English



3 CEUs

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# External Assurance for Sustainability Reporting: A Comprehensive Guide

## Description

This course offers a broad introduction to the practice of assurance of sustainability reporting and addresses how assurance can contribute not only to the quality of public disclosure, but also to improvements in an organization's internal systems and processes.

The course guides participants through essential aspects of sustainability information assurance, highlighting distinctions from financial auditing. It addresses stakeholder concerns, explores internal reporting systems, and outlines the assurance process. The final segment provides guidelines for selecting an apt third-party provider, emphasizing the unique considerations compared to appointing a financial auditor.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: The what and why of external sustainability reporting assurance
- Part 2: Preparing your organization for external assurance
- Part 3: Understanding the assurance process
- Part 4: Finding the right assurance provider
- Final knowledge check
- Wrap-up

## Audience

This course is aimed at sustainability management and reporting professionals who have had little experience of any third-party assurance (including financial auditing), and who will have to work with external auditors assuring their sustainability reporting.



250 €



3h



Access: one year



No specific prior knowledge is required to follow this course



English



Certificate of completion



2 CEUs

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# Reporting with GRI 13: Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fishing Sectors

## Description

This course starts by looking into the significance of the GRI Sector Standards, their purpose and their objective. Addressing often-raised concerns surrounding the limitations of sustainability reporting, it shows how the GRI Sector Standards can strengthen the reporting process.

The course presents a detailed examination of *Sector Standard GRI 13: Agriculture, Aquaculture, and Fishing Sectors 2022*. It presents the Standard's structure and analyses the sustainability context and impacts on the respective sectors.

By taking the course, you will learn how *GRI 13* comes into play in the reporting process using the GRI Standards. Through the lens of a reporter within an aquaculture organization, you will gain insights into the practical application of the Standard and see how the *GRI 13* can be integrated into your reporting process.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: What is the value of the GRI Sector Standards?
- Part 2: GRI 13: Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fishing Sectors — context, structure, and impacts
- Part 3: How to report using GRI 13: Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fishing Sectors?
- Wrap-up

## Audience

The course is intended for seasoned reporting practitioners and consultants supporting reporters working in the agriculture, aquaculture and fishing sectors who are familiar with the GRI Standards and the reporting process in accordance with the Standards.



300 €



3h



Access: one year



Working knowledge of the GRI Standards and how they are structured



English



Certificate of completion



3 CEUs

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# Transparency for Tomorrow: Decoding the Sustainability Reporting Landscape

## Description

This course offers a deep dive into the sustainability reporting landscape. It covers the latest trends in sustainability reporting, including concepts crucial to understanding the differences between the various instruments that populate the landscape.

The course presents an overview of the main sustainability reporting instruments, including the GRI Standards, European Sustainability Reporting Standards, IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards, U.S. SEC Climate Disclosure Rule, TCFD recommendations, and TNFD recommendations.

The course also delves into the alignment between these instruments, describing how they can be used in conjunction with the GRI Standards to enhance reporting effectiveness.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: State of play
- Part 2: Key concepts
- Part 3: The main players in sustainability reporting
- Part 4: A deeper dive into each reporting instrument
- Part 5: Where do you go from here?
- Wrap-up

## Audience

The course is aimed at reporting practitioners and those supporting sustainability reporting practices including consultants, management boards, and other sustainability professionals.



195 €



3h



Access: one year



No specific prior knowledge is required to follow this course



English



Certificate of completion



2 CEUs

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# Mastery of Transparent Tax Reporting

## Description

The *GRI 207: Tax 2019* Standard is the first global public reporting Standard for tax transparency. It enables organizations to better understand and communicate information about their tax practices publicly. This Standard combine management approach disclosures on tax strategy and public country-by-country reporting on business activities, revenues, profit, and tax.

This course explains some tax-related concepts and clarifies why tax is a sustainability issue. It discusses tax-related impacts and presents the stakeholder groups asking for tax-related information. The course also explains the *GRI 207: Tax 2019* disclosures and how to use this Standard in the context of sustainability reporting based on the GRI Standard.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: The GRI Standards
- Part 2: Tax — sustainability and transparency
- Part 3: *GRI 207: Tax 2019* disclosures
- Part 4: Using GRI 207 in the context of the GRI Standards
- Part 5: GRI 207 in relation to other reporting tools
- Part 6: Reflections and conclusions

## Audience

This course is aimed at a wide range of users, from report preparers to other stakeholders interested in reporting on tax as a sustainability issue, such as academics, investors, civil society, and government representatives.



250 €



2h



Access: one year



Knowledge of the purpose and structure of the GRI Standards, as well as the process for reporting in accordance with the Standards, are recommended to ensure comprehension of the subject matter



English



Certificate of completion



2 CEUs

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# Reporting on the Impact of Occupational Health and Safety

## Description

This course provides guidance on how to report on the *GRI 403: Occupational Health and Safety* Standard, which was updated in 2018. The course explains the features of and key concepts in the Standard, as well as the requirements of the management approach and topic-specific disclosures.

The course also provides general information on trends in Occupational Health and Safety (referred to as OHS) and how to manage the impacts on data collection related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Part 1: Trends and challenges related to OHS management
- Part 2: The GRI Standards
- Part 3: *GRI 403: Occupational Health and Safety 2018*
- Part 4: Scope of 'workers'
- Part 5: Topic management disclosures
- Part 6: Topic disclosures

## Audience

The course is for sustainability professionals who want to know how to include occupational health and safety impacts in their sustainability report based on the GRI Standards.



250 €



2h



Access: one year



Basic knowledge of the structure of and the process for reporting using the GRI Standards is recommended



English



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# Waste Management Impact Reporting

## Description

*GRI 306: Waste 2020*, which updates previous GRI disclosures on waste, requires organizations to report on waste generated throughout the value chain, and disclose detailed information on its composition and how it is managed.

This course provides a comprehensive overview of *GRI 306: Waste 2020*, including key concepts and disclosure requirements. It also reflects the revisions made to the Standard following its update. Through a combination of theoretical insights and practical examples, it offers in-depth guidance on the application of the Standard.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: The GRI Standards
- Part 2: GRI 306 Background
- Part 3: GRI 306 Key features
- Part 4: Topic management disclosures
- Part 5: Topic disclosures
- Wrap-up

## Audience

The course is aimed at professionals with a role in advancing waste management in their organization, business representatives with a role in sustainability or CSR reporting, and anyone interested in learning more about waste management and reporting.



200 €



2h



Access: one year



Basic knowledge of the structure of and the process for reporting using the GRI Standards is recommended



English



Certificate of completion



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# Unveiling GRI Sector Standards: In-Depth Insights and Real-world Applications

## Description

The course starts by discussing the role of the GRI Sector Standards in general, their purpose, objective, and development process. It addresses often-raised concerns about the limitations of the sustainability reporting process and demonstrates how the Sector Standards can strengthen this process.

Then, to illustrate the concepts related to the Sector Standards, the course takes a deep dive into the first GRI Sector Standard, *GRI 11: Oil and Gas Sector 2021*, its likely material topics and the context and impacts of the oil and gas sector. It also presents in detail how GRI 11 comes into play in the reporting process using the GRI Standards.

Finally, the course contains case studies of two organizations in the oil and gas sector that share their experience of using GRI 11.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: What is the value of the GRI Sector Standards?
- Part 2: GRI 11 - Context, structure and impacts
- Part 3: Reporting with GRI 11
- Wrap-up

## Audience

This course is a mandatory CEUs course for all GRI Certified Professionals who wish to extend their certification. Like all CEUs courses, the course can also be taken outside of the certification program as a standalone course by anyone familiar with the GRI Standards and the process of reporting in accordance with the GRI Standards.



300 €



3h



Access: one year



Knowledge of the purpose and structure of the GRI Standards, as well as the process for reporting in accordance with the Standards, are required to ensure comprehension of the subject matter



English



Certificate of completion



3 CEUs

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# Charting a Greener Path: Reporting on Biodiversity with the GRI Standards

## Description

This online course offers a deep dive into the topic of Biodiversity and its crucial influence on the environment, society, and economy.

Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the GRI 101: Biodiversity 2024 Standard through an interactive, self-paced learning experience. By completing this course, learners will acquire the tools needed to elevate the quality of sustainability reporting disclosures, drive sustainable business practices, and stay ahead of the curve on the topic of Biodiversity.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: The GRI Standards
- Part 2: Biodiversity: challenges, trends and opportunities
- Part 3: Why is biodiversity relevant to business?
- Part 4: Integrating biodiversity into sustainability reporting
- Wrap-up

## Audience

This course is aimed at a wide range of individuals, from professionals engaging in sustainability reporting, to other stakeholders interested in reporting on biodiversity as a sustainability issue, such as academics, investors, civil society and government representatives.



250 €



2h 30m



Access: one year



If you have not yet done so, we encourage you to read through and familiarize yourself with the GRI Standards before taking this course. Alternatively, you could also take the online course 'Reporting with the GRI Standards 2021 Update' available on the GRI Academy to build your knowledge of the Standards.



English



2 CEUs

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# Sustainability Reporting for the Coal Sector: Navigating the GRI 12 Sector Standard

## Description

This training course's objective is to help sustainability reporters in the coal sector keep their internal and external stakeholders informed about their organization's impacts, governance, strategies, and performance.

This course addresses the common concerns that often arise about the limitations of the sustainability reporting process. It provides a comprehensive understanding of how the GRI Sector Standards can effectively strengthen this process. The course delves into the GRI Sector Standard for the coal sector (*GRI 12: Coal Sector 2022*), examining its structure, as well as the sector's context and impacts.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: What is the value of the GRI Sector Standards?
- Part 2: *GRI 12: Coal Sector 2022* – context, structure, and impacts
- Part 3: How to report using *GRI 12: Coal Sector 2022*
- Wrap-up

## Audience

Seasoned reporting practitioners and consultants supporting reporters working in the coal sector, who are familiar with the GRI Standards and with the process of reporting in accordance with the Standards.



300 €



3h



Access: one year



A solid understanding of the reporting process with the GRI Universal Standards 2021



English



3 CEUs

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# Sustainability Reporting for the Mining Sector: Navigating the GRI 14 Sector Standard

## Description

This course is designed to equip sustainability reporters in the mining sector with the knowledge and tools they need to enhance the quality and effectiveness of their sustainability reporting. It addresses common concerns about the limitations of the reporting process and provides a thorough understanding of how the GRI Sector Standards can strengthen it.

The course focuses on the GRI Sector Standard for the mining sector (*GRI 14: Mining Sector 2024*), exploring its structure, as well as the unique context and impacts of the sector. Through real-world examples, the course shows how *GRI 14* can be effectively applied in the reporting process.

## Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: What is the value of the GRI Sector Standards?
- Part 2: *GRI 14: Coal Sector 2024* – context, structure, and impacts
- Part 3: How to report using *GRI 14: Mining Sector 2022*
- Wrap-up

## Audience

The intended audience for this course is seasoned reporting practitioners and consultants supporting reporters working in the mining sector, who are familiar with the GRI Standards and with the process of reporting in accordance with the Standards.



300 €



3h



Access: one year



A solid understanding of the reporting process with the GRI Universal Standards 2021



English



3 CEUs

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## 5 Other Courses

### A Beginner's Guide to Sustainability Reporting

#### Description

A Beginner's Guide to Sustainability Reporting is an e-learning course specifically designed for individuals who are new to the concepts of sustainability in business and sustainability reporting. Whether you are a student, or represent a small to medium enterprise, or a professional transitioning into a sustainability role, or are simply curious, this course provides an ideal starting point for your learning journey in this field.

Throughout the video and interactive parts in this course, you will explore five distinct questions, each focusing on essential aspects of sustainable development and sustainability reporting. By completing this course, you will gain a solid foundational overview of sustainability concepts and reporting practices, for you to build upon with more specialized knowledge. At the end of each part, there is a short knowledge check, and upon completion of all knowledge checks, learners receive a certificate.

Please note that parts one to four of this course are video-format, and part five is interactive format.

#### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Part 1: What are sustainability and the Sustainable Development Goals?
- Part 2: What role can my organization play in building a sustainable future?
- Part 3: What actually is sustainability reporting?
- Part 4: Why should my organization undertake sustainability reporting?
- Part 5: How do I use the GRI Standards in the sustainability reporting process?

#### Audience

The course is aimed at those who are new to the field of sustainability and sustainability reporting and are interested in gaining insights into the value of reporting on impacts transparently.



75 €



1h



Access: one year



No specific prior knowledge is required to follow this course



English



Certificate of completion

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## GRI Content Index Course

### Description

This training course provides information about how to prepare a GRI content index based on the GRI Standards. It also presents and discusses the GRI Content Index Template, which helps to prepare a high-quality GRI Content Index quickly and easily.

### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Overview of the GRI Standards 2021
- What is a GRI content index?
- GRI content index requirements
- Best practices when building a GRI content index
- How to build a GRI content index using the Content Index template

### Audience

This training course was prepared for all types of sustainability reporters who use the GRI Standards.



50 €



1h



Access: one year



Knowledge of the structure and application of the GRI Standards, as well as practical experience with sustainability reporting using the Standards is recommended



English



Certificate of completion

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## Transitioning to the GRI Standards 2021

### Description

In October 2021, the revised GRI Universal Standards 2021 were launched, to improve the quality and consistency of sustainability reporting as well as how organizations use the Standards to disclose their impact.

The Transition course provides an overview of the recent updates to the GRI Standards, including the revision of the Universal Standards series, and the release of the first GRI Sector Standard for oil and gas. The course explains why the revisions to the Universal Standards took place and how the revision process was concluded. It also describes what learners can expect to find in the new Universal Standards, and explores how these changes were carried through to the GRI Topic Standards.

The course also briefly introduces the new *GRI Sector Standard for oil and gas, GRI 11: Oil and Gas Sector 2021*.

### Course Content

This course is structured as follows:

- Introduction
- Part 1: Changes to the GRI Universal Standards
- Part 2: Adaptations to the GRI Topic Standards
- Part 3: GRI Sector Standard
- Conclusions

### Audience

The course is intended for seasoned sustainability professionals who are familiar with the GRI Standards, and its purpose is to give a high-level overview of what has changed in the revised *Universal Standards 2021*.



120 €



1h



Access: one year



Knowledge of the structure and application of the GRI Standards, as well as practical experience with sustainability reporting using the Standards is recommended



English



Certificate of completion

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*The **GRI Academy** is GRI's learning platform that hosts various training courses on sustainability and sustainability reporting. The courses cover the GRI Standards and reporting tools issued by other organizations, such as the ESRS and the ISSB standards. Individuals worldwide can sign up and choose how, when, and where to start learning. The online courses offer interactive and narrated learning with intermediate checkpoints to monitor progress and help you stay on track*

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