

Circular economy, industrial symbiosis, other initiatives and trends

Transitional guidelines for the certification of GreenIndustrialAreas

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About Us

Latvia Corporate Social Responsibility Platform (CSR Latvia) is an NGO that brings together companies, non-governmental organizations, educational institutions, and experts to promote corporate social responsibility practices and attain sustainable development objectives.

Established in 2013.

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Baiba Brasliņa

Goals



1. Raise awareness of corporate responsibility and sustainability



2. Directing responsible business and sustainability issues in legislation, business agenda, education system and society



3. Supporting socially responsible and sustainable enterprises

Areas of activity



Economic impact



Climate change and environmental impacts



Transparency and corporate governance

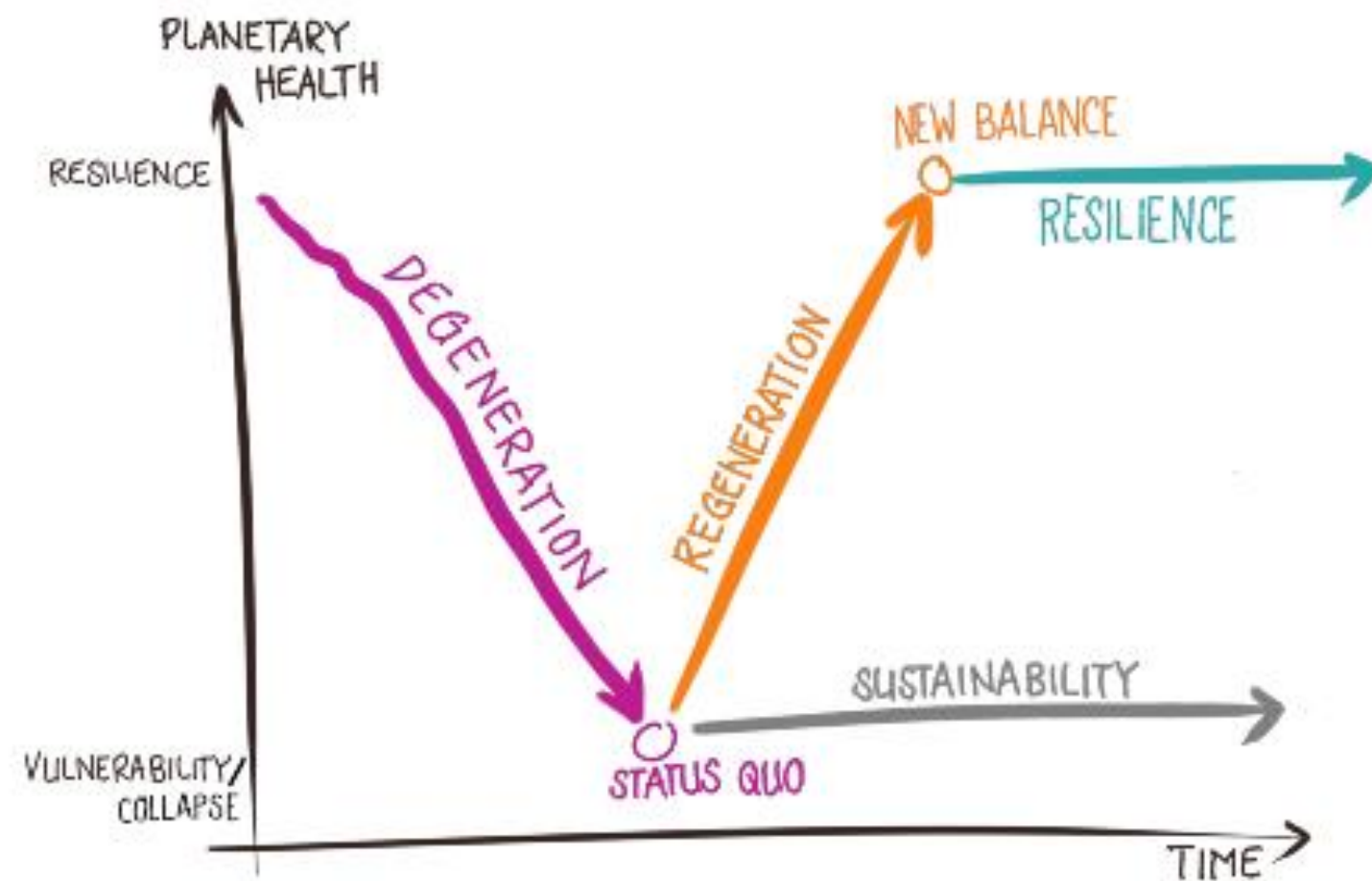


Society



Human wellbeing and social impacts

Regeneration vs Sustainability

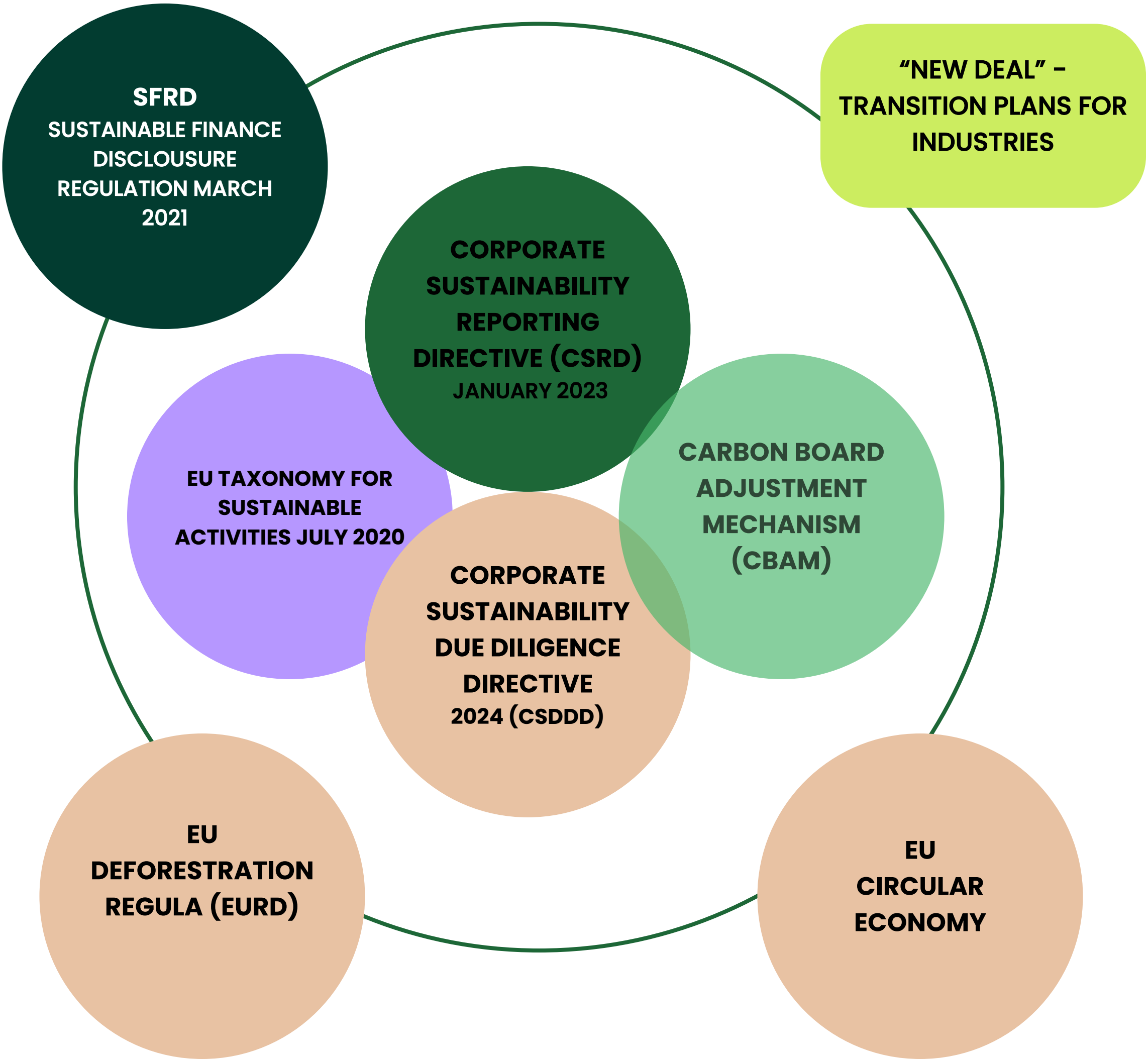


The pandemic situation has shown the vulnerability of our status quo and the degenerative past. Now we have two ways to move forward. By sustaining the status quo (classical sustainability) we put emphasis on reducing negative impacts and keep it that way. Choosing the regenerative path, we focus on how we can have a positive impact, become a regenerative force and therefore move towards a new balance with high resilience.

The shift from extracting, degrading and mindless using of natural resources towards conserving, restoring and regenerating - needs powerful leadership globally and action locally!

Sustainability regulation

The EU plans to carry out an 'omnibus' procedure to harmonize the directives regulating sustainability.



Publicised standards

Under development

MANDATORY STANDARDS

ESRS 1
MAIN REQUIREMENTS

ESRS 2
MAIN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

THEMATIC STANDARDS

ENVIRONMENT

SOCIAL

GOVERNANCE

ESRS E1
climate change

ESRS S1
Own workforce

ESRS G1
Business conduct

ESRS E2
Pollution

ESRS S2
Workforce in supply chain

ESRS E3
Water and sea water

ESRS S3
Affected communities

ESRS E4
Biodiversity and ecosystem

ESRS S4
Consumers and end users

ESRS E5
Resource use and circular economy

SECTOR STANDARDS

SME PROPORTIONAL STANDARDS

FACTS:

12 standards

~350 pages

>80 disclosure requirements

>1000 data points

~20 templates

~ 80 quantitative indicators

[EFRAG platform_ESRS standards](#)

MANDATORY STANDARDS

ESRS 1
MAIN REQUIREMENTS

ESRS 2
MAIN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

ISO

ISO 14008, ISO 32210, ISO 23316, ISO 22301, ISO 37001, ISO 14063

ISO 14019 (BEING DEVELOPED - SUSTAINABILITY INFORMATION VERIFICATION AND VALIDATION PROTOCOL)

THEMATIC STANDARDS

ENVIRONMENT	ISO	SOCIAL	ISO	GOVERNANCE	ISO
ESRS E1 climate change	ISO 50001, ISO 14001, ISO 14064, ISO 14067, ISO 14069, GHG protocol, LCA, EPD	ESRS S1 Own workforce	ISO 45001, ISO 26000, ISO 14006 < ISO 14045	ESRS G1 Business conduct	ISO 26000, ISO 37002, ISO 37001, ISO 20400, ISO 28000
ESRS E2 Pollution	ISO 14047, ISO 15175, ISO 16198, ISO 19204, ISO 15799	ESRS S2 Workforce in supply chain	ISO 45001		
ESRS E3 Water and sea water	ISO 14046, ISO 15175, ISO 14044	ESRS S3 Affected communities	ISO 26000:2010		
ESRS E4 Biodiversity and ecosystem	ISO/TC 331 - Biodiversity being developed	ESRS S4 Consumers and end users	ISO 9001, ISO 10001, ISO 10002, ISO 27001		
ESRS E5 Resource use and circular economy	ISO 14040, ISO 14009, ISO 14006, ISO 14045				

Source: <https://gens.ie/corporate-sustainability-reporting-directive-csrd-2/>

We have initiated several transformations in business

**AWARENES OF
BUSINESS IMPACT**

www.abv.lv
www.csrlatvia.lv

**ZERO TOLERANCE
AGAINST
CORRUPTION**

www.nulleskorupcija.lv

**INDUSTRY
SUSTAINABILITY/
TRANSITION
MEMORANDUMS**

Restaurants, peat
industry, etc.

**BALTIC CIRCULAR
HOTSPOT & LVCH**

MOU will be signed in
November 2024

Nordic-Baltic connectivity

The relevance of the Baltic circular economy to Nordic circularity, and vice versa, lies in their geographical proximity, shared environmental challenges, economic ties, closely knit value chains, and similar goals for sustainable development. Both regions, the Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania) and the Nordic countries (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden), are focusing increasingly on circular economy principles to foster sustainability, reduce waste, and make more efficient use of resources. By working together, the Baltic and Nordic countries can amplify their impact on sustainability, drive innovation, value creation and achieve more effective and comprehensive transitions to circular economies. This collaboration not only helps address local and regional environmental challenges but also positions both regions as leaders in the global shift towards a more sustainable future.





Memorandum of Understanding
Cooperation for Baltic Circular Hotspot

Initial signing: November 18, 2024, Helsinki

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes cooperation for the Baltic Circular Hotspot foundation as a voluntary agreement to transition Baltic economies from linear to circular.

It focuses on joint efforts within the Baltic-Nordic region and practical support for organizations, businesses and policymakers.

The goal is to create a unified approach to advancing the circular economy.

Founders:



Co-founders:



Participants:



**Memorandum of
cooperation on the
promotion of industrial
symbiosis as an element of
circular economy in Latvia**

Participants:

- state
- municipalities
- NGOs



The circular economy index



The circular economy index can be used by municipalities for planning their actions and adopting good experiences, working with citizens, implementing and explaining various initiatives, and in policy planning documents.

The results of the circular economy index divide the total scale into five groups - leaders (more than 500 points), experts (450-499 points), practitioners (400-449 points), conscientious (350-399 points) and wait-and-sees (less than 349 points).

Circular economy strategies has been implemented in Dienvidkurzeme, Salaspils, Jūrmala, Daugavpils, Ropaži, Rēzekne, Smiltene, Rīga (procesā).

Industrial areas certification

With the Green Deal Industrial Plan, the Commission will promote the creation of a more supportive environment for deploying the clean tech manufacturing capacity required to meet Europe's ambitious green targets.

<https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/api/files/attachment/874428/Factsheet.pdf>

Business perspective - value proposition when complying to standard, e.g.

- requested by financier
- clients
- incentives from municipalities and/or state

Certification recognition - nationally, regionally and in EU level (ISO system? Accreditation?)

Certification - nationally, EU or internationally accredited?

Key stakeholders - municipalities