

Energy sector outlines recommendations to keep simplification at the core of EU corporate sustainability

Brussels, 02 June 2025: As the Omnibus on corporate sustainability advances, FuelsEurope, Eurogas, and IOGP Europe call on policymakers to deliver real, effective simplification.

Representing the full energy value chain — from upstream production to downstream consumption, across both conventional and low-carbon fuels — we fully support the EU's corporate sustainability goals. However, current legislation must become clearer, more proportional, and coherent.

While we welcome the Commission's simplification efforts, further improvements are still needed. We urge policymakers to uphold the proposed simplifications and firmly reject any attempts to reintroduce unnecessary complexity.

The Joint Statement focuses on five priority areas:

1. **Transition Plans** – Avoid duplication by consolidating all related disclosures under the CSRD. Article 22 of the CSDDD should be deleted to prevent legal uncertainty and conflicting expectations.
2. **Civil Liability** – Fully remove residual liability provisions from the CSDDD and respect subsidiarity. Legal responsibility must remain within national systems to avoid litigation risk and regulatory overreach.
3. **Sector-Specific Standards** – Support the removal of mandatory sector-specific ESRS. With over 1,100 datapoints already required, adding more will overwhelm reports without improving quality.
4. **Value Chain Obligations** – Clarify data expectations from non-EU suppliers. Transparency must be risk-based, realistic, and proportional to avoid disincentivising supplier engagement.
5. **Assurance Scope** – Clarify and harmonise auditor responsibilities. Companies report diverging interpretations and excessive documentation requests from auditors, undermining legal certainty.

FuelsEurope, together with Eurogas and IOGP Europe, stands ready to work with EU institutions and contribute to a legal framework that is not only ambitious on paper, but effective in practice.

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