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## ITALY ESG GEMS

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Only a few days ago the European Commission published a proposal for a Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, which is likely to be of interest for many readers of our Italian ESG GEM. In this edition we share some initial thoughts on the contents of the proposal and on the expected developments of this legislative process.

However, the promotion of sustainability does not occur by means of legal initiatives alone: policy is an important tool and this month we had the pleasure to discuss that with the Deputy Mayor of Milan, Anna Scavuzzo, with respect to the food sector.

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Anna Scavuzzo, Vice Mayor of the City of Milan  
and in charge of the Food Policy

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### EU proposal for a Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive – a potential game changer for sustainable business in the EU

On 23 February 2022 the European Commission published a proposal for a Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive. The proposal, which followed a public consultation in 2020/2021, is aimed at ensuring that in-scope companies will conduct human rights and environmental due diligence which encompasses the following six steps: (i) integrate due diligence into companies' policies; (ii) identify actual and potential adverse human rights and environmental impacts; (iii) prevent, cease or minimise actual and potential adverse human rights, and environmental impacts; (iv) assess the effectiveness; (v) communicate and (vi) remediate.

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### EU: what next for SFDR and Taxonomy?

We like to keep our readers up to date on the legislative initiatives in the ESG space, so [here is a quick recap](#) of what is to expect on the SFRD and Taxonomy front.

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### What's on the horizon

Legal and regulatory development

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EU proposal for a Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive – a game changer?

Thursday 3 March 2022 at 12.30pm – 1:30pm (CET)

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