

The Evolving ESG Landscape: Practical Advice for Boards and Companies in 2024

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2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

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Agenda

Time	Topics
Panel 1 (White, Beswick, Bouchard, Francis, Hitchcock, Mahoney)	
2:00 pm	A. Introductions / Overview
2:10 pm	B. Setting the Stage <ul style="list-style-type: none">Brief update on climate disclosure regimes (SEC, CA, CSRD, voluntary reporting)
2:25 pm	C. Board Basics <ul style="list-style-type: none">How ESG fits into fiduciary duties (including <i>Caremark</i>)Location and scope of ESG oversight responsibilities on board / committeesBoard composition and expertiseDocumentation D. Disclosure Considerations Today <ul style="list-style-type: none">Importance of reliable dataUncertainty and navigating various disclosure regimes at different development stagesSetting targetsRecent wave of SEC comment letters re: climate disclosure
3:20 pm	Break
Panel 2 (White, Arnold, Atkins, Francis, Hitchcock, Mahoney)	
3:35 pm	E. Reflections on Prior Panel F. ESG Backlash <ul style="list-style-type: none">State law developmentsFederal law developmentsHow companies can navigate G. Q&A H. Interacting with Investors <ul style="list-style-type: none">Engaging constructively with shareholdersDealing with shareholder proposals
4:50 pm	I. Take-Aways
5:00 pm	J. Reception