

Hello,

Welcome back to the EDCI newsletter! Today we are excited to provide a recap of last week's informational webinars and share more details about how to formally join this initiative.

Informational Webinar Recap | Key insights, initiative evolution, & more!

Last week, the ESG Data Convergence Initiative held three different webinars (one for Asia Pacific, one for EMESA and one for the Americas) - covering an overview of the initiative, BCG's <u>findings</u> from last year's data analysis, the experience of current member GPs and LPs, and what is to come for the EDCI in 2024. We'd like to thank everybody who attended these sessions, it was great to hear your questions about the initiative and engage in a collective dialogue.

The highlight of the webinars was hearing from current members about their experiences - in particular, the way in which the EDCI is helping address pain points for LPs and GPs alike:

- For LPs, the EDCI is enabling greater visibility into the sustainability of their private equity allocations. As the EDCI continues to drive convergence around meaningful ESG metrics, the availability of sustainability data for LPs will continue to grow.
- For GPs, the EDCI is helping to drive convergence around LP data requests, streamlining the process of navigating sustainability reporting. In addition, GPs

are harnessing the EDCI benchmark to put the performance of their portfolio companies into the context of their private peers and extracting valuable strategic insights from doing so.

THANK YOU TO OUR FANTASTIC PANELISTS!



The core set of EDCI metrics gave us a great foundation to build on; we've sought to incorporate the EDCI benchmark into our internal scoring approach to enhance our understanding of how our companies are performing relative to peers.

- Jessica Clavette, Equistone

We would encourage all GPs just to get started and submit what data you can - the EDCI's mantra is progress over perfection so you can start somewhere and build from there.

- Allegra Day, Cinven

The challenges that are experienced in collecting the data pales in comparison to the benefits that we've seen the EDCI unlock in enabling GPs to build their ESG practice and drive value.

- Suzanne Tavill, Stepstone

Having the additional check on our data through the data validation process is helpful for our own internal checks and balances; the EDCI helps us build better quality data over time.

- Sarah Pang, Affinity Equity Partners

EDCI helps us to have more targeted engagements with GP networks and helps to focus the discussion on the most meaningful metrics.

- Thibaud Roulin, Pictet

How to Join the EDCI | Join the before the data submission deadline

With nearly 400 members, data from nearly 4,300 portfolio companies, and an everexpanding suite of tech platform partners, the EDCI is continuing to drive convergence around meaningful ESG metrics for the private markets while generating useful, performance-based, and comparable ESG data.

As we approach the 2024 data submission deadline, we'd to encourage you to consider signing up for the initiative for the upcoming annual cycle and helping to drive convergence around meaningful ESG metrics for the private markets, while benefitting from strategic insights on ESG topics and bespoke benchmarking capabilities.

You can see answers to <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> and download the <u>EDCI's</u> informational deck on the EDCI website.

Any firm interested in signing up can do so through our online "Join Us" form:

Click here to join the EDCI

After clicking this link, you should sign up as "Committed" and as the correct entity, then check the box at the bottom of the form to accept the Terms and Conditions.

Please reach out <u>info@esgdc.org</u> with any questions. Thank you for your continued interest in this initiative!

Warm regards,

- The ESG Data Convergence Team