Fundamentals of CSRD and ESRS for Data centers

Understanding Sustainability Reporting for Data Centers and Leveraging Business Opportunities

This course provides participants with a fundamental understanding of the content, background, and impacts of the new sustainability reporting requirements in the data center industry. Practical guidance with examples will equip industry professionals with tools to concretize the sustainability directive's requirements into their operations.

Participants will learn the basics of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the associated European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS) and how it is connected to other directives such as EED. Key concepts from the frameworks will be clarified enabling a better understanding on how to effectively work with them.

Program overview

Overview of EU directives and their impact on the data center Industry.
- Introduction to Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS) and the European Energy Directive (EED).
- Core principles of sustainability reporting under CSRD.
- The role of data centers in the broader sustainability context.
- CSRD and the role of reporting in securing financing.

Identification of Data Center Sustainability Challenges:
- Energy consumption and carbon footprint.
- Industry-specific risks and opportunities.

Preparation for CSRD compliance and reporting:
- Understand disclosure requirements and data management.
- Prepare sustainability reports under CSRD and ESRS.
- How to conduct a GAP analysis for compliance and identify areas for improvement.

Program length

3.5 hours, online with instructors from KTH and sustainability consultants at RE:SUM. The opportunity for individual follow-up and the opportunity to ask company-specific questions is given after the course.

Program outcomes
- Gain basic knowledge and prepare for the upcoming EU directives EED, CSRD and ESRS frameworks.
- Gather tools to ease sustainability reporting within the organisation.
- Identify value-creating opportunities with sustainability reporting and the benefits of strong reporting.

Participant profile

This course is aimed at property owners and companies in the data center industry. It is suitable for those who want to understand how CSRD and ESRS practically affect the business.

Participation requirements

To participate in this program, all participants need:
- Access to a computer equipped with a webcam and microphone to participate and ask questions about the material in the virtual lesson.
- In addition, you should have a program installed on your device that makes it possible to open and read PDF files, as course materials and documents will be provided in this format.

Course fee

8 500 sek excl. VAT.

Certification upon request is included.

Registration

The next half-day course starts on August 27, 2025.
Registration is done through Educon's website here.
Last day of registration August 22.
In case of cancellation after August 22, 50% of the course fee will be charged.

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