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EthiFinance expands data source with new partner ISS ESG

From January 2025, the ESG Data Solutions team at EthiFinance, the European agency for ESG and credit analyses, will collaborate with ISS ESG as its new partner for ESG data.

EthiFinance will now leverage a comprehensive range of high-quality data from ISS ESG's global coverage universe in its solutions for clients. EthiFinance's data solutions include specialised services that span strategic investment universe screening, controversial activities analysis, ESG and climate performance assessments, and regulatory alignment reporting. The EthiFinance Group offers a modular and flexible set of solutions to asset managers and asset owners, helping them to make informed investment decisions in both pre- and post-investment phases.

ISS ESG's unique and differentiated sustainability-related data sets range from controversial business areas and practices to ESG scores, climate metrics, SDG solutions, to indicators of European sustainable finance regulation. ISS ESG, the sustainable investment arm of ISS STOXX, specialises in solutions for responsible investment.

Strong data for strong performance

'With ISS ESG, we have selected a reliable and competent data partner that, with over 30 years of experience, meets our standards for high-quality ESG research and provides data based on the principle of double materiality,' confirms Xavier Leroy, Head of Advisory Services at EthiFinance. 'In the future, we will be able to use this data to offer a stronger foundation for investment decisions – thanks to greater coverage and a broader range of data, among other benefits.'

'ISS ESG is pleased to support EthiFinance's clients by providing ESG data developed by a global team of researchers, validated through expert analysis, and backed by transparent methodologies. EthiFinance's focus on client requirements with multi-lingual reporting and screening services aligns well with ISS ESG's emphasis on client success,' says Till Jung, Head of ESG at ISS STOXX.

EthiFinance's ESG Data Solutions will continue to offer the same modular service components and remain accessible without requiring an ESG platform licence. The comprehensive and global ESG data can also be combined with high-quality in-house research customise to the client's needs.

'As a reliable ESG expert, we are now able to guide our clients in their responsible investment journey across a range of European countries with data from a strong new partner. With our roots in imug, a German pioneer in sustainability research, we are a good fit with ISS ESG, which has a similar history with oekom Research,' says Axel Wilhelm, Managing Director Germany at EthiFinance. 'Our personalised and regional service remains as unique as the requirements of our clients. Whether it's data processing or specific delivery formats – our ESG Data Solutions cover every need.'

About EthiFinance

Headquartered in Paris, with more than 160 employees in Paris, Lyon, Madrid, Granada and Hanover, EthiFinance is a pioneer in ESG ratings with more than 20 years of experience. The company supports over 400 clients through its credit and ESG rating, research, and advisory services, helping them to meet the challenges of an ever-changing economic, financial, and regulatory environment. Staying true to its values and longstanding dedication to serving mid-sized companies, EthiFinance offers a unique and independent European approach to ESG and credit analysis. Learn more at: www.ethifinance.com

About ISS ESG

ISS ESG is the sustainable investment arm of <u>ISS STOXX</u>. ISS ESG solutions enable investors to develop and integrate sustainable investing policies and practices, engage on sustainable investment issues, and monitor portfolio company practices through screening solutions. ISS ESG also provides climate data, analytics, and advisory services to help financial market participants understand, measure, and act on climate-related risks across all asset classes. In addition, ESG solutions cover corporate and country ESG research and ratings enabling its clients to identify material social and environmental risks and opportunities. Learn more at: www.iss-esg.com

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