

## Index Disclosure Advice

### Indexes and Benchmarks

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Net Balance has assisted a large number of companies with indices such as the Corporate Responsibility Index (CRI), Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI), Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), other investor surveys and benchmarking programs. Companies are increasingly finding that such surveys provide bottom line value and reputational benefit.

### What can Net Balance offer you?

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Net Balance understands how to help you get the most from taking part in sustainability index and benchmarking programs.

Our dedicated team will work closely with you throughout the development of your sustainability index submission to compile a concise and comprehensive response accurately reflecting your sustainability performance and achievements.

Our emphasis is on providing support that builds your internal capabilities and drives year-on-year performance improvements.

#### **Specifically, we can add value in the following areas:**

- Provide you with practical advice and assistance to identify and prioritise the key sustainability issues relevant to your organisation.
- Enhance the structure of your submission through review of your relevant policies, strategies and action plans to present the level of sustainability integration in your business.
- Review your submission at a first draft stage and again prior to final submission to guide you through opportunities for improvement and offer feedback prior to final deadlines.
- Establish an iterative process to support your submission which builds your internal capacities and drives on-going performance improvements.

- Provide you with access to professional advice drawn from Net Balance's diverse team of environment, climate change, social and community practitioners with particular expertise in assurance, reporting and benchmarking. This affords you significant flexibility in managing competing priorities ahead of the submission deadline.
- Undertake internal assurance of data to provide you with confidence in the rigour of your submission.
- Conduct workshops with internal teams to offer feedback on your processes and recommendations for improvements in future years.

With combined expertise in sustainability strategy, reporting, benchmarking and data assurance, our professional sustainability practitioners have experience in environment, climate change, social and community issue management. Access to this pool of knowledge and resources will provide you with the flexibility to manage competing priorities during the submission period.

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## Why should you choose Net Balance?

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Over the years, we have worked with a number of index participants to provide them with support and advice in compiling the best possible submission, achieving their sustainability index reporting goals and driving year on year performance improvements.

Net Balance has a cross disciplinary team who can provide guidance to you on how to compile and present your index submission efficiently with a focus on achieving your sustainability objectives, while accurately reflecting your sustainability performance. Additionally, we can help to ensure that the processes and structures underpinning the index submission, and sustainability performance more generally, are further integrated into core business.

