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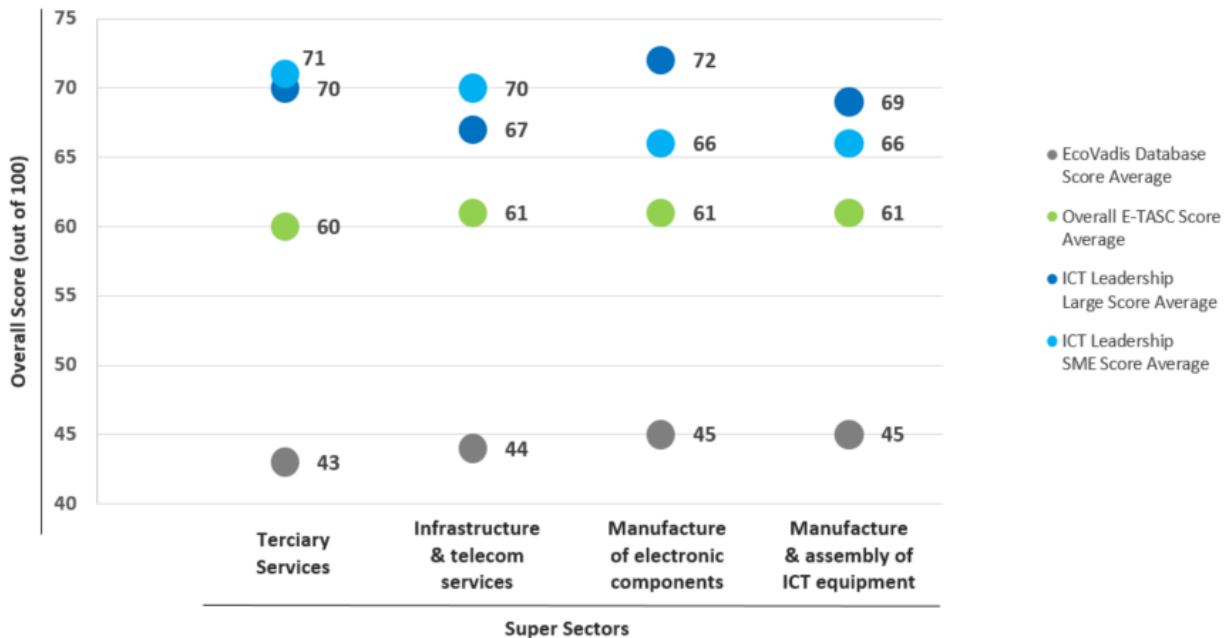
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E-TASC ICT Leadership Index Results - 2017

Large Companies		
Super Sector	Leader	Honourable Mentions
 Tertiary services	ALTEN SA (GROUP)	AUBAY SA (GROUP) INDRA SISTEMAS SA (GROUP)
 Infrastructure & telecom services	SOGETREL SAS (GROUP)	CLEMESSEY SA (GROUP) ECI TELECOM LTD (GROUP)
 Manufacture of electronic components	GIESECKE & DEVRIENT GMBH (GROUP)	SILEC CABLE SAS ACBEL POLYTECH INC (GROUP)
 Manufacture & assembly of ICT equipment	CIENA CORPORATION (GROUP)	ARRIS GROUP INC (GROUP) INFINERA CORPORATION (GROUP)

SME Companies		
Super Sector	Leader	Honourable Mentions
 Tertiary services	IMERJA LTD	BILFINGER HSG FACILITY MANAGEMENT GMBH (GROUP) MMX COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES LTD
 Infrastructure & telecom services	SERFIM TIC SASU	INDIGO TELECOM GROUP LTD (GROUP) SDEL VIDEO TELECOM SASU (GROUP)
 Manufacture of electronic components	LINK MICROTEK LTD	EPSON PRECISION SUZHOU CO LTD E-KART ELEKTRONIK KART SISTEMLERI SAN VE TIC AS
 Manufacture & assembly of ICT equipment	ATLINKS HOLDINGS LTD (GROUP)	DELTA ELECTRONICS (SLOVAKIA) SRO MOBIWIRE SAS (GROUP)

Super Sector Score Averages



Super Sector	EcoVadis Database Score Average*	Overall E-TASC Suppliers Score Average**	Δ from 2016	ICT Leadership Large Score Average †	Δ from 2016	ICT Leadership SME Score Average †	Δ from 2016
Tertiary services	43 / 100	60 / 100	▲ 2	70 / 100	▼ 2	71 / 100	▲ 5
Infrastructure & telecom services	44 / 100	61 / 100	▲ 1	67 / 100	▼ 1	70 / 100	▲ 2
Manufacture of electronic components	45 / 100	61 / 100	▲ 2	72 / 100	▼ 3	66 / 100	▲ 4
Manufacture & assembly of ICT equipment	45 / 100	61 / 100	→ 0	69 / 100	▼ 3	66 / 100	▼ 1

* Based on EcoVadis universe of 33,150+ suppliers scored since 2010

** Based on index-qualified suppliers scored in each super sector

† Average score of top three ICT Leadership Index performers

ICT Leadership Index Methodology

Data Universe

The 2017 data universe starts with all suppliers of Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI) members¹ including the members themselves when assessed whom have an E-TASC scorecard which is within 12 months of 31st March 2017². If any supplier had two or more scorecards within this 12 month period, only the most recent scorecard is used for the purposes of the indices. Therefore, all suppliers to GeSI members in the data universe have one and only one scorecard used for the purposes of the indices. The total number of suppliers in the starting universe is 1082 for 2017.

ISIC Categories

Of the 89 ISIC³ categories which suppliers in the 2017 data universe fell under, 15 ISIC categories are identified as linked⁴ to the Information & Communications Industry. These 15 ISIC categories are:

ISIC No.	ISIC Category
822	Activities of call centres
71	Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis
62	Computer programming, consultancy and related activities
631	Data processing, hosting and related activities; web portals
432	Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities
263	Manufacture of communication equipment
262	Manufacture of computers and peripheral equipment
264	Manufacture of consumer electronics
261	Manufacture of electronic components and boards
265	Manufacture of measuring, testing, navigating and control equipment; watches and clocks
279	Manufacture of other electrical equipment
273	Manufacture of wiring and wiring devices
33	Repair and installation of machinery and equipment
582	Software publishing
61	Telecommunications

¹ See FAQ concerning who are GeSI members

² That is to say: between Apr 1, 2016 to Mar 31, 2017

³ International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC) is the international reference classification of productive activities compiled by the United Nations.

⁴ See FAQ concerning what does ICT-linked means

Super Sectors

The 15 ISIC categories are grouped into four “Super Sectors”, and subsequently for the indices. These four Super Sectors and their ISIC category constituents are:

Super Sector	ISIC category
Tertiary services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 62 Computer programming, consultancy and related activities • 71 Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis • 582 Software publishing • 822 Activities of call centres • 631 Data processing, hosting and related activities; web portals
Telecom & infrastructure services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 432 Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities • 61 Telecommunications • 33 Repair and installation of machinery and equipment
Manufacture of electronic components	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 261 Manufacture of electronic components and boards • 273 Manufacture of wiring and wiring devices
Manufacture & assembly of ICT equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 263 Manufacture of communication equipment • 262 Manufacture of computers and peripheral equipment • 265 Manufacture of measuring, testing, navigating and control equipment; watches and clocks • 264 Manufacture of consumer electronics • 279 Manufacture of other electrical equipment

Super Sector 1 only includes activities which involve “soft” activities, such as information processing, consultancy, software programming and publishing; whereas **Super Sector 2** involves “hard” activities such as laying of cables and wires, setting up satellite dishes, connecting electrical equipment together to construct a transmission network.

Super Sector 3 involves manufacture of electrical components, which alone do not allow transmission of information or communications; whereas **Super Sector 4** involves manufacture and assembly of electrical components (from Super Sector 3 suppliers) to produce end ICT products for ready use.

Note: Super Sector groupings are not perfect and suppliers’ actual activities may overlap across Super Sector boundaries. However, all suppliers which have gone through the EcoVadis evaluation process have a unique ISIC category, based on their CSR risks and main operating activity among others, as verified by EcoVadis CSR analysts. Only that ISIC category which each supplier is tagged by EcoVadis CSR analysts is used for the purposes of the indices.

There are 658 suppliers⁵ who belong to these four Super Sectors. These 658 suppliers are ICT Leadership index-eligible suppliers.

⁵ There were 1023 ICT Leadership index-eligible suppliers in 2016’s index. The 2016’s index uses 24 months scorecard validity period, vis-à-vis 2017’s index that uses 12 months scorecard validity.

Qualifying and Award Criteria

SCORECARD VALIDITY

A company must have an E-TASC scorecard with a publication date that is within 12 months of 31st March 2017 (between April 1st, 2016 and March 31st, 2017). If any company had two or more scorecards within this 12 month period, only the most recent scorecard is used for the purposes of the indices.

[**Index update disclosure:** For the 2017 Index, the scorecard validity shifted from 24 months to 12 months. This is to ensure a company cannot be selected for the ICT Index two years in a row with the same scorecard.]

SCORE REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify for an index, index-eligible suppliers must have **minimum scores out of 100 across four CSR themes** (as per the E-TASC Assessment):

- 50 points on Environment
- 50 points on Labor & Human Rights
- 50 points on Fair Business Practices and
- 40 points on Sustainable Procurement

360° WATCH

From the ICT Leadership index-qualified pool, the top large sized company (i.e. 1000+ employees) and the top small & medium sized (SME) company (i.e. < 1000 employees) are identified based on their Scorecard Overall Score. The qualified candidates will also be reviewed for **negative screening of 360° Watch⁶** included in the company's most recent evaluation, including any 360° Watch news that take place from the company's most recent scorecard publish date up till the 2016's index publish date.

When a supplier has a negative 360° Watch (meaning their 360° indicator of any of the 4 themes, is downgraded from a default 3 point to 2 point or less, according to EcoVadis scoring criteria), the top performer award is rolled over to the next highest scoring supplier.

In addition, the E-TASC Leadership Index Committee, overseen by GeSI, will review any negative screening captured by the **360° Watch** and may include **additional stakeholder feedback** about the company, subsidiaries, related entities, affiliates, etc. in order to determine if the reported violations should lead to a disqualification from the Index consideration.

[**Index clarification disclosure:** The Index's negative screening of **360° Watch** considers all news included in the company's most recent evaluation, and including any 360° Watch news that took place from the company's most recent scorecard publish date up till the Index published date. Additional explanation is now added for clarity.]

TIES

⁶ For what 360° Watch refers to, see [EcoVadis](#)

In the event of a tie for a top large sized or SME company award, the factors in deciding between the tied companies are (in that order):

- 1) E-TASC Assessment Overall Score, with decimal places;
 - Currently, published E-TASC Assessment Overall Scores are rounded to the closest whole number. For example, Company A with 70.3 will be rounded to 70, and Company B with 69.7 will be rounded to 70. In the event of a tie between Company A and B (since they both will have published E-TASC Assessment Overall Score rounded to 70), Company A will be selected over Company B for the top award, since 70.3 is higher than 69.7
- 2) Most recent published E-TASC scorecard;
 - In the event of a tie after considering decimal places, the company with the most recent published EcoVadis scorecard will be selected for the top performer award

LEADERS & HONORABLE MENTIONS

In addition to the top large sized company and SME, each Super Sector index also identifies two large sized Honorable Mentions and two SME Honorable Mentions. The Honorable Mentions are two runners up in terms of the E-TASC Assessment Overall Score of their size group in each Super Sector index; however, they are not ranked in the index. Honorable Mentions are also subjected to same negative screening of 360° Watch and tie breaker rules.

About E-TASC powered by EcoVadis

<http://gesi.org/e-tasc/>

E-TASC (Electronics - Tool for Accountable Supply Chains) is a sustainability solution created for ICT companies to effectively implement a common approach for assessing and monitoring suppliers Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) practices as a means to identify supply chain risk and drive performance.

E-TASC is both a **community** and a **technology**.

- E-TASC is an initiative of GeSI (Global e-Sustainability Initiative) and is the ICT industry standard solution for improving the environmental and social practices within the supply chain.
- E-TASC is powered by EcoVadis, a collaborative platform that enables companies to monitor the sustainability performance of their suppliers across 150 sectors and 102 countries.

Frequently Asked Questions - F.A.Q

Q: Who are GeSI members?

Q: What is E-TASC?

Q: Who is an index-eligible supplier for the ICT Leadership Indices?

Q: What if a supplier has 2 or more EcoVadis scorecards published between April 1, 2016 - April 1, 2017?

Q: What does ICT- linked activity mean?

Q: What is a Super Sector?

Q: What are the awards for each Super Sector index?

Q: What if an index-eligible supplier's actual activities overlap across Super Sectors activities?

Q: What is the difference between index-eligible and index-qualified supplier?

Q: What if an index-eligible supplier has 50/100 on ENV, 60/100 on LAB, 50/100 on FBP, but 10/100 on SUP?

Q: How are the top suppliers in each Super Sector index identified?

Q: What is the E-TASC Scorecard?

Q: What does E-TASC Assessment Overall Score Average mean?

Q: What does Overall E-TASC Suppliers Score Average mean?

Q: What does ICT Leadership Large Score Average mean?

Q: What does ICT Leadership SME Score Average mean?

Q: Who are the GeSI members using E-TASC?

A: GeSI members using E-TASC powered by EcoVadis (by alphabetical order)

- Amdocs
- Buy-In (joint venture Orange-DT),
- Deutsche Telekom
- EE
- Liberty Global
- Nokia
- Orange
- Tele2
- Telefonica
- Telenor
- TeliaSonera
- Swisscom
- Verizon
- VimpelCom

Q: What is E-TASC?

A: E-TASC (Electronics - Tool for Accountable Supply Chains) is a sustainability solution created for ICT companies to effectively implement a common approach for assessing and monitoring suppliers Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) practices as a means to identify supply chain risk and drive performance.

Q: Who is an index-eligible supplier for the ICT Leadership Indices?

A: The eligibility requirements are

- The supplier supplies to any of GeSI members or is a member of E-TASC and,
- Has at least 1 E-TASC Assessment scorecard published between March 31st 2017, 2016 and April 1, 2017, and,
- Supplier's main activity is any of the 15 ICT- linked ISIC categories

Q: What if a supplier has 2 or more E-TASC Assessment scorecards published between April 1, 2016 and March 31st, 2017?

A: Only the latest E-TASC Assessment scorecard is used. Therefore, all index-eligible suppliers have one and only one scorecard used for the purposes of the indices

Q: What does ICT- linked activity mean?

A: Linked refers to having activities that allow ICT activities to take place. For example, ISIC category 432 is considered as directly linked because installation activities are needed to build networks and communication systems ICT activities to take place. For example, ISIC category 4652 Wholesale of electronic and telecommunications equipment and parts, is not considered directly linked as ICT activities can take place even without electronic equipment wholesale activities.

Q: What is a Super Sector?

A: A Super Sector is a grouping of similar ICT- linked activities that contribute to a particular aspect of the ICT ecosystem. Each index-eligible supplier is assigned to only one of the four Super Sectors indices. Therefore, an index-eligible supplier cannot qualify for more than 1 index

Q: What are the awards for each Super Sector index?

A: The awards for each Super Sector index are Top Large sized (>1000employees) supplier with 2 companies as honourable mentions and Top Small & Medium sized (<1000 employees) supplier with 2 companies as honourable mentions. The rankings of the honourable mentions are not disclosed.

Q: What if an index-eligible supplier's actual activities overlap across Super Sectors activities?

A: All suppliers which have gone through the Assessment evaluation process have a unique ISIC category, based on their CSR risks and main operating activity among others, as verified by EcoVadis CSR analysts. Only that ISIC category which each supplier is tagged by EcoVadis CSR analysts is used for the purposes of the indices. Therefore, all index-eligible suppliers have 1 and only 1 ISIC activity tagged to them, and assigned to 1 and only 1 Super Sector index

Q: What is the difference between index-eligible and index-qualified supplier?

A: An index-*qualified* supplier must

- Be an index-eligible supplier (see FAQ question 2) and,
- Have at least minimum scores across 4 CSR themes on its EcoVadis Scorecard
 - 50/100 on Environment (ENV) and,
 - 50/100 on Labour & Human Rights (LAB) and,
 - 50/100 on Fair Business Practices (FBP) and,
 - 40/100 on Sustainable Procurement (SUP)

Q: What if an index-eligible supplier has 50/100 on ENV, 60/100 on LAB, 50/100 on FBP, but 10/100 on SUP?

A: This supplier does not qualify for the index as it does not meet the minimum score threshold of 40/100 on SUP, even though it meets all other themes' minimum score thresholds

Q: How are the top and honorable mentions suppliers in each Super Sector index identified?

A: Top suppliers and honorable mentions are identified based on their E-TASC Assessment Overall Score on their Scorecard **AND negative screening of 360° Watch**⁷ news included in the company's most recent evaluation, and including any 360° Watch news that take place from the company's most recent scorecard publish date up till this 2016's index publish date. When a supplier has a negative 360° Watch (meaning their 360° indicator of any of the 4 themes, is downgraded from a default 3 point to 2 point or less, according to EcoVadis scoring criteria), the top performer award is rolled over to the next highest scoring supplier. For example, if the highest scoring supplier has a negative 360° Watch, it is rolled over and the second highest scoring supplier takes the top award.

Q: What is the E-TASC Scorecard?

A: The scorecard rating and supporting methodology is developed by and is proprietary to EcoVadis. The "E-TASC scorecard" refers to the use of the EcoVadis rating by E-TASC member companies.

Q: What does EcoVadis Assessment Overall Score Average mean?

A: It refers to the average score of 24,700+ suppliers evaluated by EcoVadis since 2010.

Q: What does Overall E-TASC Suppliers Score Average mean?

A: It refers to the average score of GeSI index-qualified suppliers in ICT- linked activities

Q: What does ICT Leadership Large Score Average mean?

A: It refers to the average score of the top large sized company and the 2 Honorable Mentions

Q: What does ICT Leadership SME Score Average mean?

A: It refers to the average score of the top 3 small & medium (SME) sized suppliers and the 2 Honorable Mentions

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