



# Scope of the ESG Vigilance Label

This label aims to strengthen the role of lawyers in sustainable governance by enabling them to effectively meet ESG regulatory requirements and support their clients in compliance. It positions itself as a mark of quality and commitment, both for the firms and for the clients they advise.

## **Objectives of the Label**

The ESG Vigilance label pursues 2 objectives:

- Strengthening ESG Expertise: Helping firms develop in-depth expertise on ESG regulations through tools that allow them to address their clients' complex questions and assist them in their sustainable transformation.
- Integration of ESG Criteria into Governance: Encouraging the integration of ESG criteria at the core of risk management, compliance, and strategy within the firms.

### Scope of the Label

The ESG Vigilance label covers compliance with ESG standards within law firms, ensuring that their own practices meet current standards. It includes the integration of ESG criteria across all services offered to clients, from legal advice to risk management and compliance. This approach guarantees that the label represents a significant and coherent part of the firm's activities, influencing every step of the decision-making process and ensuring rigorous application of ESG standards both internally and in recommendations to clients.

#### **Labelling Process**

The labelling process includes an analysis of the firm's internal practices, including an ESG compliance audit through a reporting tool, an evaluation of internal policies, and a verification of the integration of ESG standards in the services offered to their clients.

An external audit may also be conducted to validate the alignment of practices with the label's requirements. After obtaining the label, regular monitoring and annual audits are established to ensure ongoing compliance and improvement of the firm's ESG practices and how they address their clients' needs.

#### **Benefits of the Label**

- Enhanced Credibility: The ESG Vigilance label provides recognition of law firms' commitment to adhering to ESG standards, strengthening their credibility with clients, regulators, and stakeholders.
- Client Support: Certified firms are better equipped to meet their clients' ESG compliance needs, offering tailored legal solutions and cutting-edge expertise.
- Increased Expertise: By obtaining the label, firms gain skills related to ESG issues, positioning themselves as leaders in sustainability and regulatory compliance.

Our label represents a significant advancement for law firms, assisting them in adopting the right tools to effectively integrate ESG criteria into their internal governance and services. It also helps meet the growing client expectations regarding sustainability. This label is a mark of quality and an indicator of leadership on environmental, social, and governance issues.

