

Member of DJSI World, DJSI Europe

Company Information

Country: Switzerland

Index market cap*: 12,749

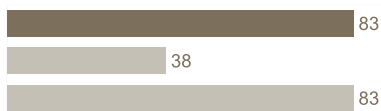
*USD millions

Source: S&P Global BMI, 30 August 2019

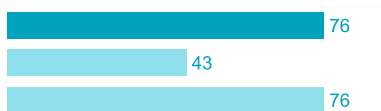
2019 Assessment Results

Source: SAM CSA, 13 September 2019

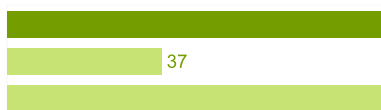
Total Scores



Economic



Environmental



Social



■ SGS SA
■ Industry Average Score
■ Industry Best Score

Industry Overview	Maximum Score	Average Score
Total	83	38
Economic Dimension	76	43
Environmental Dimension	91	37
Social Dimension	86	32

DJSI World	Maximum Score	Average Score
Total	83	77
Economic Dimension	76	72
Environmental Dimension	91	81
Social Dimension	86	80

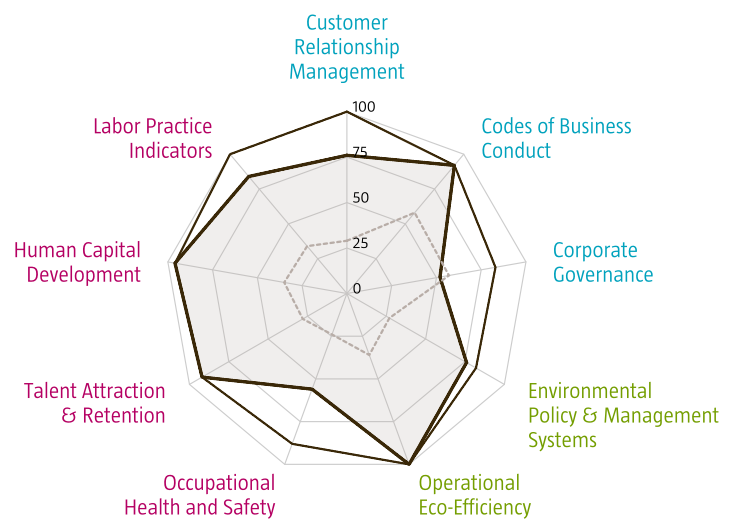
SGS SA leads the Professional Services industry in SAM Corporate Sustainability Assessment based on its Total Sustainability Score in 2019. This report provides a broad overview of the performance of the Professional Services industry and the relative positioning of SGS SA at the dimension and criteria level.

Industry Drivers

Professional services companies provide a range of business support services in the areas of staffing, consumer credit ratings, research and analytics, and in the testing, inspection and certification of manufacturing or other business processes. As providers of specialized services, these are knowledge-intensive companies and their success depends on the quality of their workforce, making human capital development and talent attraction and retention particularly important. A reputation for integrity is critical in retaining customers and winning new business. Consequently, companies must ensure that employees comply with their codes of conduct and that services are delivered according to high ethical standards. Professional services companies are entrusted with customer data, making data security and cybersecurity top priorities if they wish to avoid negative reputational impacts.

Company Performance

RobecoSAM has selected the most relevant criteria in each sustainability dimension based on their weight in the assessment and their current or expected significance for the industry. The spider chart below visualizes the performance of the industry leader against the best score achieved in each criterion and the median industry score.



— Industry best score - - - - Industry average score ■ SGS SA

Corporate Sustainability Assessment

The SAM Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) is a comprehensive annual evaluation of companies' sustainability practices and performance. Every March, RobecoSAM extends invitations to over 3,500 of the largest, listed companies globally to participate in the assessment by completing an in-depth questionnaire. Assessment results are published in September, following the analysis of companies' submissions complemented by additional research performed by RobecoSAM.

The CSA is one of the longest standing ESG rating methodologies worldwide, dating back to 1999. It assesses companies on the basis of 80 – 120 industry-specific questions across 61 industries focusing on financially material economic, environmental, and social factors that are relevant to companies' success, but that are under-researched in conventional financial analysis. Every year, the CSA undergoes rigorous methodological review in order to ensure that the most current material sustainability topics, as well as emerging, long-term sustainability themes often of interest to investors are reflected, and companies are challenged on topics that lack disclosure today. The ESG Ratings derived from the CSA are used for the annual rebalancing of the iconic Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI), as well as the S&P Dow Jones Indices (S&P DJI) ESG Index family and are made available to investors, researchers, and non-governmental organizations through the S&P DJI and Bloomberg data platforms. The results of the CSA are also used for the creation of the SAM Sustainability Yearbook, one of the most comprehensive annual publications on corporate sustainability. Selected ratings are made available to the general public through the Sustainability Yearbook website: <http://yearbook.robecosam.com>

Additional Resources

For more information on the CSA and a complete list of all Dow Jones Sustainability Indices constituents visit www.robecosam.com/CSA

Assessed companies can access their own results and benchmark themselves against their peers directly through the online assessment portal.

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