Multi and Water Utilities

Driving forces
The multi and water utilities industry is being transformed on numerous fronts. As the electricity market continues to undergo dramatic changes caused by the decarbonization and decentralization of power generation, utilities need to develop innovative business models that can adapt to the new political, economic and technical constraints and demands. Gas markets are being reshaped by the growing use of natural gas as a cleaner and more flexible alternative to coal in power generation. Yet, these markets remain exposed to the long-term phasing out of all fossil fuels. For water utilities, aging distribution and collection networks, along with the opposition to privatization, are key challenges in developed countries. In emerging markets, increasing water stress and deteriorating water quality represent challenges, while increasing consumption and rapid infrastructure expansion are driving growth. Well-positioned companies are active in resource management, foster demand-side efficiency and proactively engage with stakeholders.

Highlighted criteria & dimension weights

Environmental Dimension 42%
- Climate Strategy
- Electricity Generation
- Operational Eco-Efficiency
- Water Related Risks

Social Dimension 26%
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Stakeholder Engagement

Governance & Economic Dimension 32%
- Codes of Business Conduct
- Corporate Governance
- Market Opportunities

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Industry Statistics

Number of companies assessed 65
Market capitalization of assessed companies (in USD billion) 700.1
Number of companies in Yearbook 9
Market capitalization of companies in Yearbook (in USD billion) 166.3