

ESG Certification Scheme

Empowering Sustainable Excellence

The ISONIKE's ESG Certification Scheme.

The **ISONIKE ESG Certification Scheme** is a proprietary scheme developed by ISONIKE for the conformity assessment and certification of a company's management system to defined ESG criteria. The scheme was created to address the crucial requirement of industry stakeholders to enhance confidence in companies' approach to effectively manage ESG. By meeting the ESG defined criteria, companies can demonstrate their commitment to sustainable practices, social responsibility, and effective governance. This certification scheme helps to build trust and credibility among stakeholders, including investors, customers, and the wider community.

Benefits of ESG Certification

Obtaining ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) certification offers several benefits for companies. Here are some key advantages:

- Enhanced Reputation and Image: ESG certification demonstrates a company's commitment to sustainable practices, ethical conduct, and responsible governance. This can enhance its reputation and image among customers, investors, partners, and other stakeholders.
- Competitive Advantage: ESG certification can provide a competitive edge in the market. It
 showcases a company's dedication to sustainability, which is increasingly valued by consumers
 and investors. It can attract environmentally and socially conscious customers and investors
 who prioritize supporting responsible businesses.
- Access to Financial Instruments and Capital: ESG certification can open doors to a larger
 pool of financial instruments and capital. Many investors are now incorporating ESG factors into
 their investment decisions. By obtaining ESG certification, companies can demonstrate their
 alignment with sustainable practices and attract investment from ESG-focused funds and investors
- Operational Efficiency and Cost Savings: ESG certification encourages companies to evaluate their operations and identify opportunities for improvement. By implementing sustainable practices, companies can reduce energy consumption, minimize resource waste, and optimize their operations. This can lead to cost savings and increased operational efficiency.
- Employee Engagement and Retention: ESG certification can foster a culture of environmental and social responsibility within the organization. It engages employees in sustainability initiatives, promoting a sense of purpose and pride. This can improve employee satisfaction, attract top talent, and enhance employee retention.
- **Risk Management**: ESG certification helps companies identify and manage potential environmental, social, and governance risks. By addressing these risks proactively, companies can mitigate reputational damage, regulatory non-compliance, and other potential liabilities.

Access to Business Opportunities: ESG certification can open doors to new business opportunities. Many organizations, including government agencies and large corporations, prioritize working with certified sustainable suppliers and partners. ESG certification can help companies access these opportunities and expand their market reach.

Why ISONIKE

- Leadership in Sustainability: ISONIKE is a trusted conformity assessment and certification body with a proven track record in promoting sustainable practices. Our ESG Certification Scheme is designed to recognize and reward organizations that lead the way in sustainable excellence
- Professionalism and Customer Focus: ISONIKE is committed to professionalism, business
 ethics, and customer satisfaction. Their mission reflects their dedication to meeting the needs of
 their clients.
- Record of Customer Satisfaction: ISONIKE has an enviable record for customer satisfaction in their certification services. They have experienced steady growth through referrals from contented clients and management consultants.
- Experienced Assessors: ISONIKE employs Assessors who have empathy with their practical
 and straightforward approach. These Assessors are carefully allocated based on their industry
 experience, ensuring a meaningful and valuable Assessment process.
- **International Accreditation**: ISONIKE is an internationally accredited certification body, providing credibility and recognition to their certification services.
- Value-Added Assessments: ISONIKE believes that their Assessments should add value and benefit the organizations being assessed. They strive to provide practical insights and recommendations to help organizations improve their practices.
- Expertise in Management Systems: ISONIKE has significant expertise and competence in various management systems, including the ones related to ESG. ISONIKE's experience in certifying management systems for big corporations further demonstrates the organisational capacities.

Certification Process

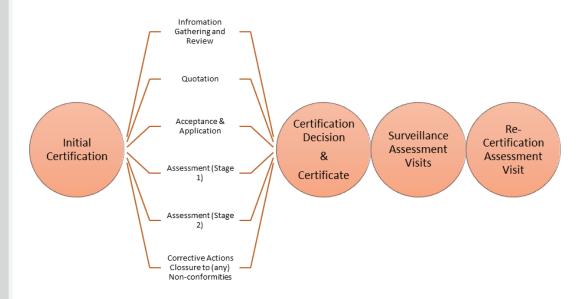
The certification process for the scheme adheres to rigorous standards and follows the established requirements of ISO 17021 for the certification of management systems. Companies that successfully meet ISONIKE's ESG criteria are awarded an ESG certification, showcasing their dedication to sustainable practices, social responsibility, and effective governance

The certification process of the scheme concerns a three years certification cycle which involves:

- Initial assessment (Stage 1 and Stage 2)
- Surveillance Assessment #1 (within 12 months from initial assessment)
- Surveillance Assessments # 2 (within 24 months from initial assessment)
- Re-Certification (before the expiry of the three years certificate)

Assessments include desktop review of documentation, materiality assessment, interviews, sampling and examination of records.

The main steps involved in the complete certification process may be represented as following:



ESG Related ISO Certification

ESG as a concept is inextricably linked to ethical, environment, social and governance issues. Consequently there is a number of ISO related certifications linked to ESG. Following is the ISO certifications that are closely related with ESG and are also offered either by ISONIKE directly or by ISONIKE on behalf of their strategic partners:

- ISO 37001 Anti-bribery Management
- ISO 45001 Occupational Health and Safety
- ISO 14001 Environmental Management
- ISO 50001 Energy Management
- ISO 14064 Greenhouse Gases
- ISO 26000 Social Responsibility

How to proceed?

For more information on ISONIKE's ESG certification scheme please contact at contact[at]isonike [dot]com

For a comprehensive quotation please comple and submit the Questionnaire that can be found on our web site or at this link