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# The EU Commission Publishes Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the Implementation of the EU Corporate Sustainability Reporting Rules

# 1.0 Background

On 07 August 2024, the European Commission published a <u>Draft Commission Notice</u> on the interpretation of certain legal provisions, including those introduced by the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the Sustainable Finance Disclosures Regulation (SFDR).

### 2.0 Overview of the Publication

The intent of the Draft Commission Notice, and the set of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) included therein, is to clarify the interpretation of specific provisions on sustainability reporting *inter alia* relating to scope, application dates, and exemptions.

The Commission has issued a set of FAQs to help stakeholders comply with regulatory sustainability requirements efficiently and to improve the usability and comparability of sustainability reports. These FAQs additionally aim to clarify rules and reduce administrative burdens for companies.

This compilation of FAQs also contains a select number of clarifications regarding the interpretation of provisions within the first set of European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS)<sup>1</sup>, where the European Commission has deemed legal interpretation necessary.

By issuing this set of FAQs, market participants are provided more insight and assistance in implementing legal provisions emanating from emerging areas related to sustainability reporting, particularly the CSRD.

## 3.0 Next Steps

The European Commission may update these FAQs where appropriate.

### 4.0 Contacts

Should you have any queries relating to the above, kindly contact the Authority on transparency@mfsa.mt.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/2772 of 31 July 2023 supplementing Directive 2013/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards sustainability reporting standards