





MEASURING INDUSTRY'S TEMPERATURE AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRESS REPORT ON EUROPEAN LOGISTICS

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CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY CHAINS | WHAT IT IS ABOUT



The CSLS is an independent research center dedicated to improving the sustainability of global logistics operations and supply chains,

- building on KLU's strong track record of logistics-focused research around environmental sustainability,
- leveraging the partnership and five years of initial funding from Kuehne+Nagel,
- founded in September 2020.

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The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) provide the framework for our research and outreach efforts.

How can negative effects of today's logistics operations and supply chains on the SDG be mitigated?



How can logistics operations and supply chains contribute to achieving the SDG?

e.g., combat climate change through reducing emissions from logistics



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A joint investigation by KLU's Center for Sustainable Logistics and Supply Chains and F&L

Online Survey

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Case Studies

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SAMPLE 92 logistics experts answered our questions



Sample by type of organisation

Sample by annual company turnover

STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT

More than half of the companies have a sustainable logistics strategy in place or are implementing one



Stage in sustainable logistics strategy development

TARGET SETTING

A third of companies now set absolute carbon reduction targets for logistics



Types of carbon reduction targets

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Types of carbon reduction target by type of business

EMISSION MEASUREMENT

85% of the surveyed companies measure their logistics CO_2 emissions in some form



Logistics CO_2 measurement by type of business

EXTERNAL PRESSURE

Pressure to improve logistics sustainability is building but needs to be strengthened



Sources of strong external pressure by type of business

DECARBONIZATION INITIATIVES

Modal shift and improved vehicle loading are deemed to be the most cost-effective interventions

Shift freight to cleaner modes Improve vehicle loading Switch to alternative energy Cut emissions from warehousing Optimise logistics networks Reduce amount of freight movement Increase transport energy efficiency Route vehicles more efficiently Upgrade IT



Most cost-effective way of reducing logistics CO₂ emissions by weighted number of responses

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Proportion of logistics CO₂-reducing measures also cutting costs

DIGITALIZATION

Digitalisation has the potential to be a decarbonisation game-changer

	past 5 years	next 5 years
Logistics Providers	38%	86%
Shippers	9%	64%

Share of respondents rating impact of digitalisation on logistics as "high or transformational"

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SKILLS REQUIREMENTS

Meeting sustainable logistics targets will require greater managerial knowledge and skill

Methods of improving sustainability

technical advice on a broad range of subjects including advances in vehicle technology, material handling innovations, non-fossil energy sources, etc.

Sustainability principles & trends

Helping managers to understand the changing nature and scale of the environmental challenge and to keep abreast of public policy developments

Measurement and reporting of emissions

Advice and training, particularly on Scope 3 emissions and comparing the carbon intensity of freight transport modes on a consistent basis

Environmental change management

Behavioural dimension, helping managers to motivate employees, suppliers, etc. to prioritise environmental improvement and secure buy-in

Strategy development

how to optimise the balance between commercial and environmental objectives, how to engage supply chain partners in strategy development process, etc.

EUROPEAN GREEN DEAL

Managers need persuasion that ambitious Green Deal emission targets are achievable



Confidence in Green Deal achieving 90% emission reduction for freight transport by 2050

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support switch to **hydrogen** propulsion promote more use of **rail freight** services tighten **fuel economy** standards for trucks support highway **electrification** for trucks support development of **battery recharging** network promote more use of **waterborne** services extend **Emission Trading Scheme** to all freight modes relax **truck size** / weight constraints

Rating of policy measures by likely effectiveness in cutting logistics CO₂ emissions (% of responses)

IMPACT OF COVID-19

Recovery from the pandemic is having a limited impact on companies' logistics decarbonisation plans



Effect of Covid-19 recovery on CO2 reduction efforts (% of responses)

THE ROAD AHEAD ... is long and winding



THE ROAD AHEAD

Five principal solution areas to decarbonize logistics exist. There is no silver bullet.



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THANK YOU!



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