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## Accelerating action in 2024: how our Accredited Solutions Providers can help you take the next step towards environmental leadership this year

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As we enter the new calendar year, it is time to reflect on some of the progress made last year. In 2023 we saw: record corporate disclosures through CDP, showing the private sector is taking action to measure and manage their environmental impacts; European rules for environmental disclosure take full effect; negotiations on The Global Plastics Treaty get into full swing and CoP28 ending with a potentially momentous global agreement to transition away from fossil fuels. However, the United Nation's Emissions Gap Report that was released last year demonstrates just how far we need to go. Under present Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), the world is making progress towards limiting the temperature rise to 2.9 degrees.

Promptly elevating the level of commitment and holding key players accountable for their action or inaction is imperative. We simply can't afford to delay any longer in swiftly acting upon the information we have. Our network of <u>Accredited Solutions</u>

<u>Providers</u> is here to help you with accelerating action. From reporting environmental risks to setting science-based targets or developing a transition plan, they are fully equipped to support with a range of environmental services.

This month, we are excited to announce that <u>Sustain.Life</u>, a <u>silver software provider in</u> the United States has come on board as an Accredited Solutions Provider and are available to support stakeholders with a variety of environmental issues. Their platform takes the guesswork out of and simplifies carbon accounting, decarbonization, science-based targets, and climate disclosures. Sustain.Life helps companies—and the enterprises they supply—measure, manage, and report emissions. Their platform makes it simple to get operational data into the system and automatically transform it into audit-grade scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions data.

We are also delighted to announce that the following Accredited Solutions Providers have renewed their partnerships with CDP and will continue to support companies on their environmental journeys:

<u>UL</u>, a **global gold software solutions provider**. As a global safety science leader, UL Solutions has been helping companies demonstrate safety, enhance sustainability, strengthen security, deliver quality, manage risk and achieve regulatory compliance for over 125 years. Their award-winning suite of ESG, sustainability and supply chain management reporting solutions and expert-led advisory services help companies act on their ESG and sustainability initiatives, meet compliance requirements and advance their performance and risk-management goals.

CarbonChain, a silver software accredited solutions provider in the UK. CarbonChain provides carbon intelligence from source to shipment and beyond. They help companies and financial institutions accurately calculate their supply chain or portfolio emissions and generate reports in minutes, whether for CDP disclosure or for regulations like the EU CBAM. Their carbon accounting software provides automated, asset-level carbon calculations using an emissions database that covers the most carbon-intensive sectors: metals and mining, energy, and agriculture. They fill the Scope 3 data gap so you can report with accuracy, assess carbon pricing risks and take data-led action.

JQA, a silver verification solutions provider in Japan. JQA implements assessment service of environmental, social and governance information (ESG data), and assists customers in working towards their ESG goals and objectives. JQA has been designated as the world's first Designated Operational Entity (DOE) for Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) by the UNFCCC in 2004 and accredited as ISO14065 validation and verification body by Japan Accreditation Body (JAB) in 2011. Built on rich expertise and know-how through a wide variety of green-house-gas (GHG)

validations and verifications both national and international, JQA supports their customers with a vision towards a sustainable future.

<u>Eco Plan</u>, a <u>silver carbon reduction solutions provider in Japan</u>. Eco Plan Inc. is a company that measures GHG emissions and sets emission reduction targets in line with SBTi for small and medium-sized businesses and provides energy audits and facility retrofits for carbon reduction.

<u>Digital Grid</u>, a <u>silver renewable energy solutions provider in Japan</u>. DIGITAL GRID Corporation (DG) offers innovative solutions to increase renewable energy in Japan with the mission to democratize the energy system. DG operates a platform so that their power consumers can directly buy from their generators at wholesale prices. DG has an innovative structure utilizing the new FIP subsidy to manage price risk and will match you with one of their many renewable energy generator partners. DG provides each partner with a transparent and optimized individual menu ranging from power source to the amount and source of renewable energy or certificates to suit each partner with their roadmap towards decarbonization.

To find out more about who CDP's accredited solutions providers are, or how they might be able to help you, watch our <u>short video</u>.

CDP is committed to building a diverse accredited solutions provider network and we particularly encourage organisations that are women or minority-owned, or those based in emerging economies, to get in touch. Take a look at <a href="this blog">this blog</a> to learn more about our Diversity and Equity Initiative and to see where we are two years on from implementing this initiative, check out <a href="this blog">this blog</a>.

For more information about any of our accredited solutions providers or to request a direct introduction, please contact <a href="mailto:partnerships@cdp.net">partnerships@cdp.net</a>.



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