







## Welcome

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**Richard Spencer**Director of Sustainability,

There will be a Q&A session with the panel as part of this webinar to address any specific questions you have.

Please submit your questions via the Q&A button, located at the bottom of your screens.

A recording of this webinar and copy of the slides will be made available.

Links to useful resources will be added into the Chat function.





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#### SECTION 1

# Influence on Business

### **Rich Hall**

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## Influence on business





#### SECTION 2

# Influence on Business

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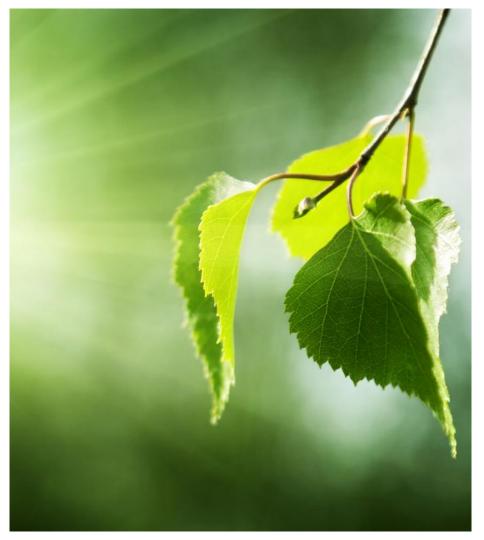
### **DYNAMIC ESG**



### Cutting through the SME confusion or complacency

- Sectorial the term ESG can mean different things to different people
- Misunderstanding 'acronym overload' (or AO)
- Ostrich Syndrome
- · 'Greenwashing'
- Energy Compliance or ESG?
- Perceived costs
- Lowness of benefits
- Corporate timidity





#### **DYNAMIC ESG**

## **SME Solutions**

- Adopt the KISS Principle
- 99.2% of UK businesses are SMEs with 0-49 employees (5.5m businesses)
- SMEs account for 99.9% of all UK businesses.
  - Map a framework of all activities (Integrated External Engagement)
  - Check compliance SECR, ESOS, GHG Protocol
  - Choose the scale of ESG engagement 'Health Check' (DESG Lite) or full engagement (DESG) or NN Financial Assurance
  - Identify the commitment level -TCFD & SBTI - key standards
  - Work with a professional team



### **DYNAMIC ESG**

# The SME DESG Pathway

- Create
- Evaluate
- Implement

Business £ Invest & Rol Filtered by ESG or business structure

ESG







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