

OVERVIEW

With global megatrends impacting today's markets, economies and societies, Arcadis is committed to achieving net zero across their value chain by 2035 and has set ambitious milestones such as sourcing 100% renewable electricity by 2022, halving total company emissions by 2028 and transitioning to an all-electric company fleet by 2030 or earlier.

For Arcadis, their reporting strategy and ratings are critical for the company to demonstrate not only that they have a legitimate license to operate in the sustainability space, but also that they are a true leader in sustainability.

In 2020, Arcadis introduced their first distinct, non-financial reporting (NFR) workstream with its own charter, established to simplify external and internal reporting requirements. A key objective was to develop a verifiable and auditable NFR process that would enable the standardized collection of non-financial information using a digital platform.





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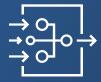
3.3 billion € Revenue

36,000+ Employees

CHALLENGES



Simplify internal and external reporting requirements



Implement automated and efficient data collection



Ensure data integrity and traceability



Meet compliance and assurance standards for ESG data



SOLUTION

SpheraCloud Corporate Sustainability (SCCS)

In 2021, Arcadis implemented Sphera's Corporate Sustainability Software as their non-financial reporting platform for 200 users and 750 sites. They began collecting NFR data for approximately 60 indicators and reported their GHG inventory in early 2022.

By 2022, Arcadis added another 160 new indicators to the system, including emissions from purchased goods and services for their carbon footprint calculation. Another significant enhancement was the Heating/Cooling Degree Day plug-in, which helps generate climate-adjusted energy consumption and emissions estimates.

While Arcadis already provides insightful data on their GHG emissions, the company continues to add functionality to their sustainability program to improve their sustainability performance:

- By creating additional new impact profiles,
 Arcadis will be able to use country-specific
 emission factor libraries for countries that require
 the use of their own emission factors.
- They are building out their goals and actions related to their net-zero plan in the software to measure progress against their commitments.

"Arcadis is doubling down on digital and that includes investing in a software system such as Sphera, which greatly improves our data collection efficiency, increases transparency and traceability of the data and also helps when it comes to external auditing."

— Tina Armstrong, Global Sustainability Director for Impact and Systems, Arcadis



RESULTS

The software platform has enabled Arcadis to enhance data collection, improve reporting efforts and measure progress toward their net-zero commitment. Target and action capabilities show actual performance and help Arcadis take appropriate corrective action if they are not meeting expected emissions reduction targets.



Improved data collection efficiency



High confidence in data quality



Primary data is available in one central place



Increased transparency and traceability of data for external audits