**Evaluation of the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive**

**Launch Event**

*This meeting is under Chatham House Rules*

**\*\*\*** Draft Agenda – speakers are being confirmed **\*\*\***

**Date**: December 9th, 2024

**Time**: 2 – 4:00 pm CET

**Location**: ERCST, Rue Archimède 61, 1000 Brussels

* Online: ONLY for attendees based outside Brussels

Considering the *momentum* of the recently published EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CS3D) – and its entry into force on July 25, 2024 –, ERCST proposes evaluating the final text of the CS3D, building on its previous work – i.e., “*The EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive and its Extraterritorial Effect: Promise and Pitfalls*”.

This analysis considers not only earlier elements from the legislative process, namely the two previous negative opinions from the European Commission’s Regulatory Scrutiny Board and the Commission Staff Working Document, as well as the Commission’s initial proposal. Focus is given to the directive’s key provisions and elements, as well as unresolved issues, such as inconsistencies with other directives (like CSRD), company concerns about due diligence, extraterritoriality, liability risks, administrative burdens and impacts on non-EU businesses.

At this event, ERCST will launch and present a report, which will be followed by a discussion on the evaluation of CS3D.

**02: 00 Welcome and introduction**

* Andrei Marcu, ERCST

**02: 10 ERCST Presentation**

* Andrei Marcu, ERCST
* Michael Mehling, ERCST

**02: 30 Panel**

The Panel will react to the report which will be shared with them prior the launch event (10 min per speaker).

* Alexandra Kuxová, European Commission, DG GROW
* Evan Williams (US Chamber of Commerce)
* Luca Enriques (University of Oxford)
* Pedro Gazzinelli Colares (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil)
* Tsvetelina Kuzmanova (Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL))

**03: 30 Q&A**

**03: 50 Concluding remarks**

**04: 00 End of the meeting**