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Background of the research

In the face of escalating climate change challenges, enterprises worldwide are feeling the heat to both comply with regulations and tap into the business benefits of sustainable practices. This landscape has spurred the evolution of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) regulations and reporting frameworks across the globe. In the European Union (EU), the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) signifies a bold step beyond mere Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reporting. It introduces robust assurance and auditing measures. Meanwhile, in the US, obligatory reporting of GHG emissions is mandatory for significant emitters. Moreover, several states have enacted even more stringent legislation for emissions reporting, amplifying the compliance imperative.

However, the path to sustainability is not a solitary journey. Enterprises grapple with intricate challenges including diverse reporting standards, fragmented emission data trapped within siloed Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems and value chains, and the daunting task of data aggregation and reporting. To tackle these hurdles, collaborative efforts are taking shape, with enterprises partnering with carbon emission management solution providers. These solution providers furnish a way forward by streamlining the emission data management, harmonizing disparate reporting frameworks, and creating a unified data repository as the bedrock for achieving net-zero goals.

In this research, we assessed 10 leading carbon emission management platform start-ups, primarily focusing on their innovations, growth journeys, and the impact created by them in the market. The assessment is based on primary interactions with select organizations coupled with Everest Group's ongoing tracking of the carbon emission management landscape.

Scope of this report





Technology Carbon emission management platform



Trailblazers The leading carbon emission management platform start-ups

Enterprise carbon emission management life cycle

Carbon emission management is the process of capturing, tracking, and managing the Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions trapped in the enterprise value chain

Cornerstones of carbon emission management for enterprises

Tracking	Reporting	Accuracy	Key benefits of carbon emission management	
 Granular measurement Holistic data integration Regulatory compliance Stakeholder transparency 		 Data validation Certification and verification Emission factors integration Risk and uncertainty assessment 	 Sustainability strategy optimization Compliance and risk mitigation Cost savings and efficiency gains Enhanced reputation and stakeholder trust 	
Carbon emission management lifecy		Strategize emissio	on reduction Monitor, report, and verify	
 Gather comprehensive emissions data from all sources Classify emissions into scopes Standardize data to enable accurate comparisons Evaluate upstream and downstream impacts 	 Involve relevant parties for 	 technologies Streamline operations to memissions Adopt practices to reduce consumption 	 timely adjustments Compile and share progress reports with stakeholders Engage external auditors for independent assessment 	

Accurate carbon data is the cornerstone of a triumphant net-zero journey, with enterprises being steadfast in ensuring its precision

The starting point in enterprise net-zero journey is cracking the code to carbon data management.

57%

of enterprise engagements around net-zero services are focused on carbon data management, with problem statements such as Scope 3 data capturing, automating reporting, and abstracting data from multiple enterprise systems taking the center stage*.



Data management, automation, and analytics is critical to reviewing our progress in sustainability. As data is a key pillar in IT, we play a significant role in influencing what we can report and how we report it."

- Senior VP and global CIO, leading food manufacturing company

We're dealing with some real challenges when it comes to compiling all that ESG data. It's like trying to find our way through a maze with all this information. But we're committed to using this data to steer us toward a more responsible organization, making transparency and innovation our key tools in this journey."

- Sustainability head, global petrochemical company

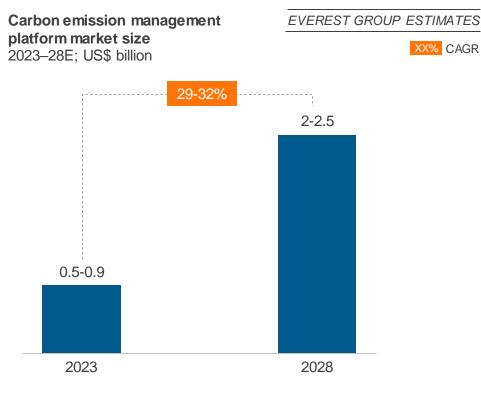
Measuring Scope 3 emissions can be quite challenging, but it's a crucial step toward understanding our environmental impact holistically."

- Head of Sustainability, a multinational retail firm

Source: Everest Group 2023 Note: *100% = 8000+ net-zero services engagements tracked in 2022-2023

Carbon emission management platforms: market size and growth

The carbon emission management solutions market is rapidly expanding due to factors such as evolving regulations, increased demand for ESG investments, and the automation of reporting



The market size encompasses niche carbon emission management platform operating across global geographies, as well as hyperscalers and global technology providers offering carbon accounting software solutions

Source: Everest Group 2023

Key growth drivers of carbon emission management platforms adoption

Increasing regulatory compliance



• Mandatory compliance: stricter ESG reporting regulations require businesses to track and report emissions accurately, boosting the need for specialized platforms

• Data transparency: robust emission management platforms facilitate transparent disclosure, meeting regulatory standards and investor expectations

Growing demand for ESG-linked investments

- Investor scrutiny: as ESG-linked investments surge, companies seek accurate emission data to attract socially responsible investors
- Performance metrics: emission management platforms enable businesses to showcase strong ESG practices, enhancing investment appeal and access to sustainable funding



Correlation between sustainability and brand reputation

- Reputation alignment: with sustainability and brand reputation closely linked, emission management platforms ensure that businesses uphold eco-friendly practices for consistent brand perception
- Competitive edge: growing market correlation between sustainability and reputation drives demand for platforms that helps maintain positive brand image through effective emission monitoring and reduction



Cost savings and operational efficiencies

- Operational streamlining: emission management platforms streamline processes, identifying efficiency opportunities that lead to cost savings across operations
- Resource optimization: by pinpointing emission reduction strategies, these platforms help enterprises optimize resource usage, translating to reduced expenses and improved operational efficiency

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Carbon emission management platforms | trends summary



The carbon emission management market is experiencing a surge in new products launched by the ecosystem players, while investors express interest in niche platforms.



Sustainability and carbon data reporting acquisitions surged 1.75 times in the past two years, signaling ongoing industry consolidation.



In the net-zero landscape, consulting firms and niche platforms are uniting, leveraging advanced data analytics for a collaborative sustainable future.



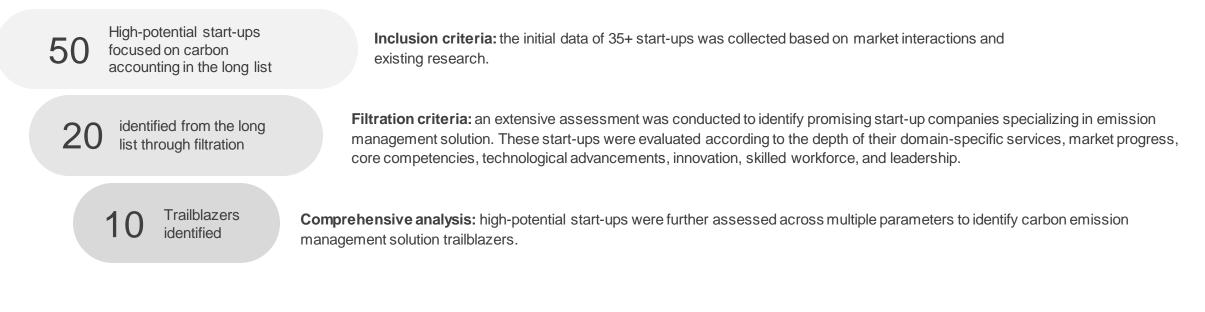
Ecosystem collaborations are driving data standardization and interoperability for enhanced carbon management.



Scope 3 is gaining importance, not just for precision, but for its key role in identifying primary emissions sources in the supply chain.

Everest Group analyzed 50 start-ups on key dimensions to shortlist the top 10 trailblazers in the emission management market

We used a three-step method to assess start-ups and identify the top 10 trailblazers



Dimensions used for prioritizing start-ups



Domain focus and coverage



Market buzz and history



Carbon accounting standards innovations



Leadership and talent

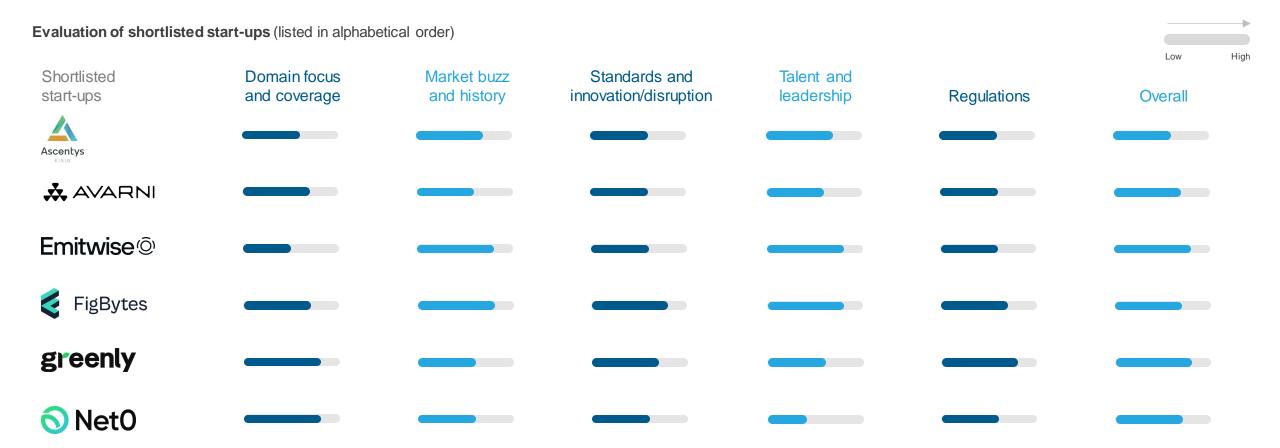


Regulation

In summary – After analyzing 50 start-ups in the carbon emission management space, 10 were identified as trailblazers



Carbon emission management trailblazers | leader board (page 1 of 2)



Note: All the ratings are relative to the shortlisted trailblazers Source: Everest Group (2023)

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