

## Memberships

Name and website	Member since	Description
Bundesverband Informationswirtschaft, Telekommunikation und neue Medien e.V. (Bitkom) <a href="http://www.bitkom.org">www.bitkom.org</a>	2015	The Bundesverband Informationswirtschaft, Telekommunikation und neue Medien e.V. is the German digital association. Founded in 1999, it currently represents more than 2,600 companies of the digital economy. Among its members are more than 1,000 SMEs, over 500 start-ups and virtually all global players. The association is committed to promoting digitisation of businesses, society as a whole, and administrative bodies.
Deutsches Aktieninstitut e.V. (DAI) <a href="http://www.dai.de">www.dai.de</a>	1991	Deutsches Aktieninstitut e.V. (DAI) is the association of German exchange-listed stock corporations and other companies and institutions with an interest in the capital market. Its goal is to strengthen Germany's position as a centre for financial services and the improvement of conditions in regard to international competition. In addition, DAI aims at promoting equities as a form of investment.
DIRK - Deutscher Investor Relations Verband e.V. <a href="http://www.dirk.org">www.dirk.org</a>		DIRK – Deutscher Investor Relations Verband e.V. is the German professional investor relations association. It represents publicly traded companies, setting quality standards for financial communication and offering education and training opportunities in collaboration with science and research institutions.
Econsense – Forum for Sustainable Development of German Business <a href="http://www.econsense.de">www.econsense.de</a>	2009	Econsense is an association of leading, globally active companies and organisations from the German business world. The initiative focuses on corporate responsibility and the development of ideas for a sustainable economy. The goal is to integrate topics of sustainability in companies' business activities.
Eurofi <a href="http://www.eurofi.net">www.eurofi.net</a>	2014	Eurofi is a not-for-profit organisation providing a platform for exchanges between the financial services industry and the public authorities addressing issues related to the evolution of financial

regulation and supervision and the economic and monetary context impacting the inner-european financial area.

Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE) <a href="http://www.fese.eu">www.fese.eu</a>	1973	The Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE) represents 35 exchange organisations. The strengthening of competition as well as the raising of public awareness regarding the relevance of trading centres are the goals of this interest group.
Frankfurt Main Finance e.V. <a href="http://www.frankfurt-main-finance.de">www.frankfurt-main-finance.de</a>	2009	Frankfurt Main Finance aims at strengthening Frankfurt as a financial centre in global competition. The organisation's objective is to develop a competence network between the trading centre Frankfurt and its international partners.
Green and Sustainable Finance Cluster Germany e. V. <a href="http://www.gsfc-germany.com">www.gsfc-germany.com</a>	2018	The Green and Sustainable Finance Cluster Germany e.V. is a sustainability initiative in the German financial center that merged in April 2018 from the Accelerating Sustainable Finance Initiative of Deutsche Börse and the Green Finance Cluster of the Hessian Ministry of Economics. It brings together over 200 participants from the financial sector, research sector and politics to develop and disseminate sustainable finance practices.
International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) <a href="http://www.iosco.org">www.iosco.org</a>	1990	The International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO), located in Madrid, is an international organisation of exchange supervisory authorities. It develops and implements internationally recognised standards for securities regulation. Approximately 130 securities regulators and 90 other securities markets participants are among the members of IOSCO.
Net Zero Financial Service Providers Alliance (NZFSPA) <a href="http://www.netzeroserviceproviders.com">www.netzeroserviceproviders.com</a>	2022	The Net Zero Financial Service Providers Alliance, founded in 2021, is an organization committed to promoting climate-neutral financial services worldwide. It brings together over 30 leading companies from the financial sector to develop and implement joint strategies to achieve net zero emissions. The aim is to support the financial sector

in tackling the climate crisis and to promote sustainable investments.

PHINEO  
gemeinnützige AG  
[www.phineo.org](http://www.phineo.org)

2010

Under the auspices of the principle shareholders Bertelsmann Stiftung and Deutsche Börse AG (since 2018 non-profit-making shareholder), the non-profit corporation PHINEO launched its operations in May 2010. The analysis and consulting firm is exceptional in its cross-sector group of partners which comprises renowned business representatives (KPMG and PwC, amongst others) as well as important stakeholders from civil society (such as Stifterverband). In addition, the innovative approach creates structures to sustainably strengthen the non-profit commitment through transparency and professionalism. PHINEO successively examines socially relevant topics (such as child poverty and climate protection) regarding civil society's role and aid approaches as well as the locally operating non-profit organisations within the framework of a multilevel (cost- and risk-free) due diligence in terms of their strengths and weaknesses.

PRI Association  
[www.unpri.org](http://www.unpri.org)

The PRI (Principles for Responsible Investment) is an international network of investors, endorsed by the United Nations, whose aim is to understand the impact of environmental, social and governance issues on investment processes and to support signatories in considering these issues in their investment and decision-making processes.

Sustainable Stock Exchanges (SSE)  
[www.sseinitiative.org](http://www.sseinitiative.org)

2014

The Sustainable Stock Exchanges (SSE) initiative is a peer-to-peer learning platform for exploring how exchanges, in collaboration with investors, regulators, and companies, can enhance corporate transparency – and ultimately performance – on ESG (environmental, social and corporate governance) issues and encourage sustainable investment.

Umweltforum Rhein-Main e.V.  
[www.umweltforum-rhein-main.de](http://www.umweltforum-rhein-main.de)

Umweltforum Rhein-Main e.V., founded in 1991 and based in Frankfurt am Main, is an organization dedicated to the protection and sustainable development of the environment in the Rhine-Main region. It brings together numerous member

organizations, including nature conservation associations, environmental initiatives and scientific institutions, to jointly develop and implement projects and measures to promote environmental protection.

UN Global Compact  
[www.unglobalcompact.org](http://www.unglobalcompact.org)

2009

The UN Global Compact is an initiative for companies that are committed to aligning their operations and strategies with ten universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. It is the broadest and most important network for corporate social responsibility issues.

Verein für Umweltmanagement und  
Nachhaltigkeit in Finanzinstituten e.V.  
(VfU)  
[www.vfu.de](http://www.vfu.de)

2014

The Verein für Umweltmanagement und Nachhaltigkeit in Finanzinstituten e.V. (Society for environmental management and sustainability in financial institutes, VfU,) is a network of financial service providers from Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Liechtenstein. The society and its members have been working on the development and implementation of innovative and sustainable solutions for financial service providers with the objective of increasing the contribution of the financial industry towards a sustainable development.

World Federation of Exchanges (WFE) 1961  
[www.world-exchanges.org](http://www.world-exchanges.org)

The World Federation of Exchanges is an international organisation of stock and derivatives exchanges. It offers members guidance in their business strategies, and in the improvement and harmonisation of their management practices. Among other activities, it posts market statistics and business news, sponsors research and promotes standards for securities business conduct.