

# How Environmental Reporting can be Saved by Accounting Principles

Why Accounting Principles and Objectives should and must be applied on Corporate Environmental Reporting

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## Abstract

Empirical studies show that environmental reporting within the annual report tends to lack reliability and comprehensiveness. This paper will argue that companies have a legal obligation to apply accounting principles when disclosing environmental information in their annual report. It also aims to explain why traditional principles of accounting must be applied to environmental information in the annual report in order to have an effect on decision-making in the company and on corporate behaviour.

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