

Climate Change, Sustainable Development, and Investors

Risks to Opportunities through Better Governance



Risky times



Global
RisksThe 5 risks most likely to
happen in the next 10
years

	rank
Extreme weather events	1
Natural disasters	2
Cyber attacks	3
Data fraud or theft	4
Failure of climate change mitigation & adaptation	5

Source: Executive Opinion Survey 2017, World Economic Forum

Climate impacts





Source: NASA



Climate change is.....

- -amplifying existing risks to assets (storm intensity, drought)
- -causing new risks to ecosystems and assets (ocean acidification, sea level rise)
- -making more communities vulnerable, unequally
- -causing potentially irreversible changes
- -disturbing supply chains and business models
- -prompting new policies, regulation and governance
- -reducing the value of climate-unfriendly assets

Paris Agreement –global commitment to low-carbon climate resilient economies





(a) 2° C /1.5° C (Art 1, Para 1.a).) target

(b) Improving adaptation capacity, climate resilience and development (Art 2, Para 1. b).)

(c) Making **finance flows** consistent with these goals (Art 2, Para 1.c).)

The Paris Agreement & shifting the trillions...





Response: climate change policy, law, and regulation





The Number of Climate Laws and Policies passed around the world, as at March 2018 Source: LSE Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, 2018

Response: Improving Transparency



- UNEP Finance Imitative 1991: link with commercial banks to set principles
- Understanding through reporting
 - GRI since 1997 : standards applied worldwide
- Public disclosure
 - Carbon Disclosure Project, now includes water and forests
- Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures
 - 2015 by FSB to reveal climate risks to investors
 - Carney and Bloomberg driving
 - And many more

Response: financial system resilience



Greening the financial system

Tilting the playing field The role of central banks

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Response: Central Banks Network





Influential: 69 members and 13 observers

Source: Climate Action in Financial Institutions Initiative







Response: MDBs increasing climate finance



MDBs pledge to join forces to raise annual climate finance to \$175 bn by 2025

By Vanora Bennett

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Source: EBRD



Response: The carbon market



Response: divestment: not on my dime!



Global Water

Partnership

Response: renewables





Global levelized cost of electricity from RE Generation, 2010-2017 Source: IRENA Renewables Cost Database, 2017

Response: Green bonds





2018 2019 2020

Source: Climate Bonds Initiative



Response: climate finance

Total global climate finance flows, 2013-2018



Response: Green Climate Fund, a catalyst for paradigm shift







Climate Information Services in Vanuatu - through SPREP

"The GCF Readiness support was essential in supporting the stakeholder consultation, technical analysis and design that underpins any good project proposal." Ministry of Climate Change, Vanuatu





Over 30 countries are following suit: Rwanda, Brazil, Federated States of Micronesia, Togo, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Dominican Republic among others

Response: Imperatives for developing countries







-Aligning development pathways to climate objectives

- Mitigating risk, addressing market failures, correcting policies, providing incentives, opportunities to leap-frog
- Scaling up adaptation efforts, addressing diverse and context specific needs

Adaptation in Paris Agreement



Adaptation included in submitted INDCs



Water: the first casualty





Water intensity, timing, quantity, temperature –

all change with climate change



Global Water

Partnership

Getting the governance right: GLOBAL WATER PARTNERSHIP

A multi-stakeholder action network and intergovernmental organization dedicated to working with countries towards the equitable, sustainable, and efficient management of water resources.

3,000+ partner organizations in over 180 countries, 65+ Country Water Partnerships, and 13 Regional Water Partnerships convene and broker coordinated action by government and non-government actors.

A long-time advocate for **integrated water resources management** (IWRM), we draw on implementation experience at the local level and link it across our Network and to global development agendas.



OUR VALUES

Openness	
 Accountability 	
ender sensitivity	
Solidarity	

A Network of Partners



- Advocating, facilitating, and supporting change processes for sustainable water management.
- A neutral platform for multi-stakeholder dialogue at global, national, and local levels that connects water resources planning and operations.
- Contributing technical knowledge and building capacity for improving water management.

GWP Partners by type



Future Investment



Sustainable Investing

According to Morgan Stanley, millennials are putting their money in sustainable investments at a rate that is <mark>2x higher</mark> than average. With a **\$30 trillion wealth transfer** coming to millennials in coming decades – this is not likely to stop anytime soon.



Source: Visual capitalist





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