

Climate and Environmental Risk: Translating commitments into action

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Climate change and environmental loss are disrupting the real economy – presenting material risks & opportunities for banks



CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENTAL - RELATED DRIVERS



Physical Climatic Change

- Acute
- Chronic



Transition to Low Carbon Economy

- Policy
- Technology / Market



Natural loss

- Biodiversity loss
- Pollution
- Water stress



Legal and Reputational Issues

COMMERCIAL / FINANCIAL IMPACT TO CUSTOMERS



Investment Opportunity



Access to /
Cost of Capital



Market Demand
/ Price Shifts



Competitor / Technology Disruption

Capital

Upgrade

Requirements



Supply /
Distribution
Disruption



Increased Operating Costs



Litigation Damages



Stranded Assets

IMPACT ON BANKS





Credit Risk

Enhanced

Opportunity



Market Risk



Reputational Risk



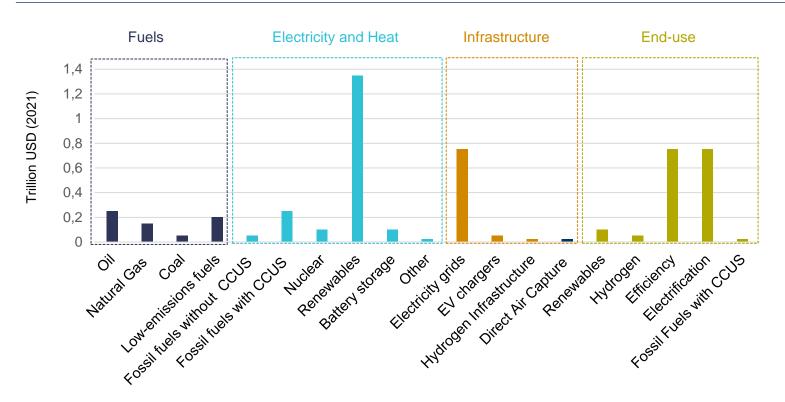
Operational Risk

Climate & Environmental drivers are a transformational business issue: banks need to be equipped to finance an industrial revolution



Climate Change alone requires huge volumes of capital:

2030 Global average annual energy investment by sector and technology in NZE Scenario (IEA World Energy Outlook 2022)

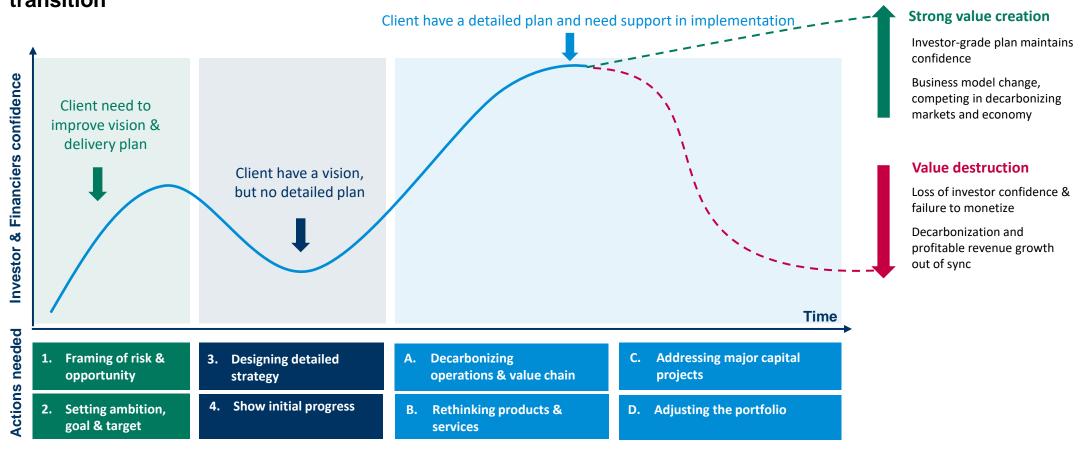


Achieving Net Zero
Emissions by 2050 will
require significant
investment in
decarbonization
technologies estimated at
\$4.2 trillion annually by
2030 - with highest
investment required into
Renewables, Electricity
grids, Efficiency and
Electrification

Banks should actively respond to Climate & Environmental risks by understanding and supporting their clients' transition



Maturity of the client in its transition to a sustainable business model varies by sector and local context, and drives different expectations from the bank to de-risk the relationship and opportunities to support the transition

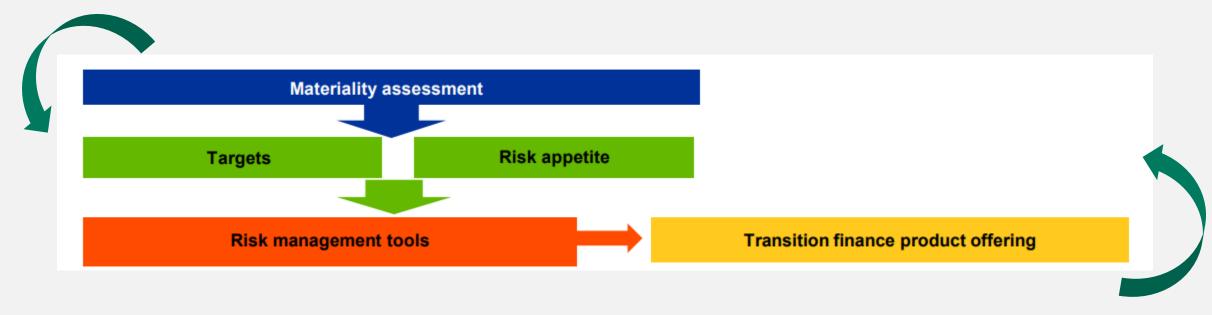


Assessing the risks and setting targets is the first step in this journey: an action oriented and iterative risk management approach is needed



A strategic approach to managing C&E risks and opportunities needs to be truly integrated in the bank's processes - so the bank can progressively build deeper understanding on its clients' transition and support them with propositions (and iteratively improve risk assessments and refine targets)

Transition planning risk management cycle (ECB good practices for C&E risk mgmt., Nov 2022)



Processes need to be put in place and / or integrated to steer portfolios and engage with banking clients...





New processes

Portfolio Net-Zero alignment process

- Set Net-Zero targets for carbon-intensive sectors
- Measure/monitor progress against targets
- Maintain targets (e.g. data and methodology updates)

Integration in existing processes

Credit Portfolio Management

- Integration of C&E KRIs in portfolio monitoring for sectors and segments (e.g., Portfolio alignment thresholds, limits to high-risk sectors or geographies, min. share of low-emitting loans)
- Strategic direction of portfolios: decision making based on client segmentation



New processes

Client Transition
Assessment &
Segmentation

■ Assessment client plans and segment clients based on "transition readiness" Integration in existing processes

Client engagement

 Structured process to engage with clients on their sustainability transition, based on segmentation

Capital allocation

□ Integration of Climate in allocation governance, evaluating client's climate performance in the context of the overall portfolio

Credit acceptance

■ Assessment and decision-making process, at transaction level; monitoring of agreed conditions

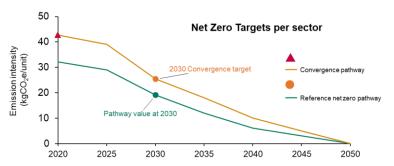
... underpinned by tooling and data





Key tools

 Methodology, GHG data and modelling for setting of Net Zero targets and KRIs at portfolio level (phased, sector based approach)



 Portfolio emissions dashboards to track portfolio performance, enable client segmentation and drill down into individual client performance



- External and internal levers analysis (sector based)
- Portfolio decarbonisation action plans (sector based)



Client segmentation framework to integrate climate factors into the bank's client review process



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Key tools



- Client engagement questionnaires
- Al-enabled data collection tools



 Customer Carbon and ESG profile – aggregating data from client questionnaires and third party sources



 Client Transition Readiness Assessment to gain better insight in climate risk profiles clients and structure engagement process



- Guidelines to support relationship managers in client engagement process
- Training for 1st and 2nd line covering sector-specific pathways, available decarbonization-levers and responses





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