



# Mobilising Towards Net Zero Goals Beyond Policies




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# Agenda

- **Introduction** 5 minutes
-  **Session 1: Net Zero Goals – What are the Latest Regional Developments Among Asset Owners and Asset Managers?** 20 minutes  
*Trista Chen, ERM Partner, Singapore*
-  **Session 2: Beyond Policy Setting – How Do Asset Owners Manage Their Carbon Footprint?** 20 minutes  
*Margie Ong, ERM Partner, Malaysia*
-  **Session 3: Understanding Emissions – What are the Key Frameworks and How Do We Measure?** 20 minutes  
*Kee Vern Lai, GHG Consultant, Malaysia*
- **Q&A Session & Closing** 25 minutes



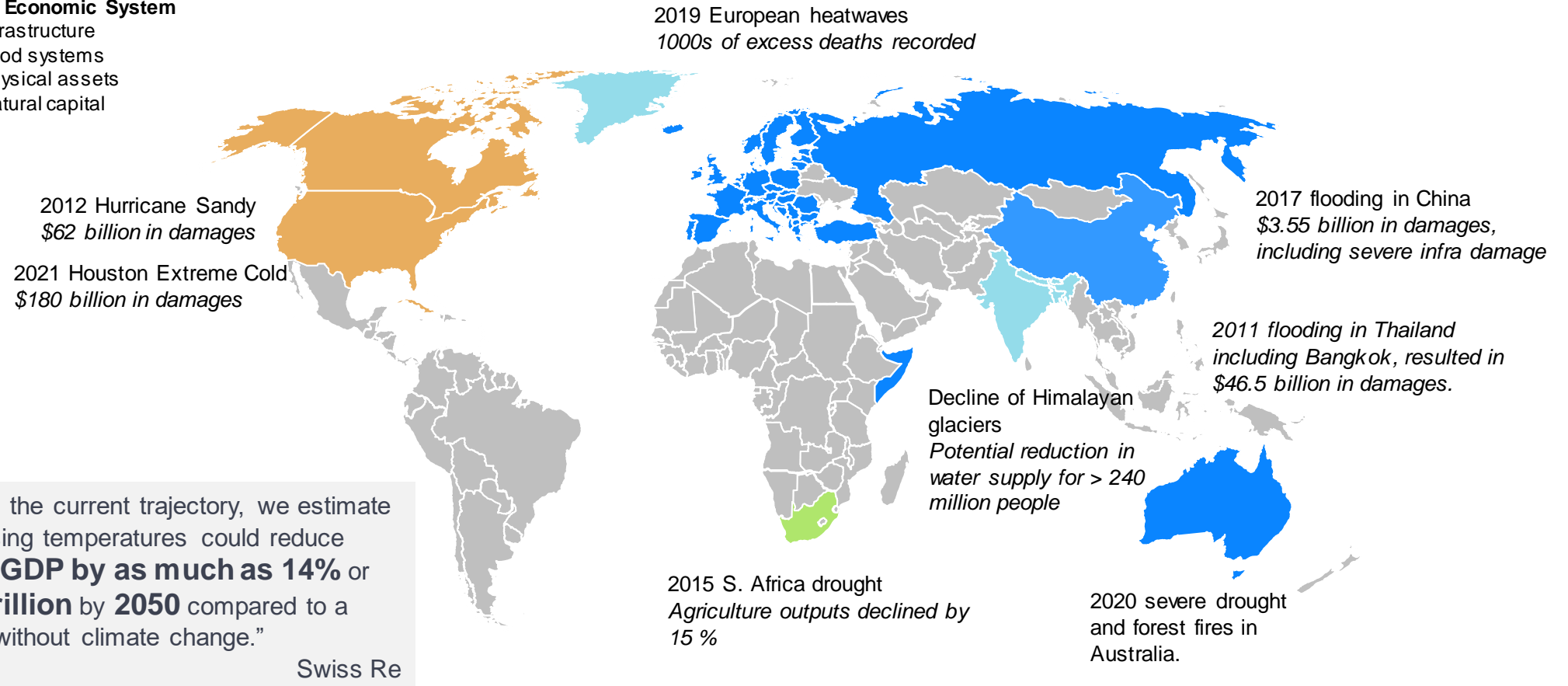
# Session 1: Net Zero Goals

*Trista Chen*

# A large and Increasing Impact to Global Systems

## Impacted Economic System

- Infrastructure
- Food systems
- Physical assets
- Natural capital



# Global Climate Change and Policy Trends are Leading to a Range of Risks and Opportunities

## Physical Climate Risks & Resilience



Increased Operating Costs



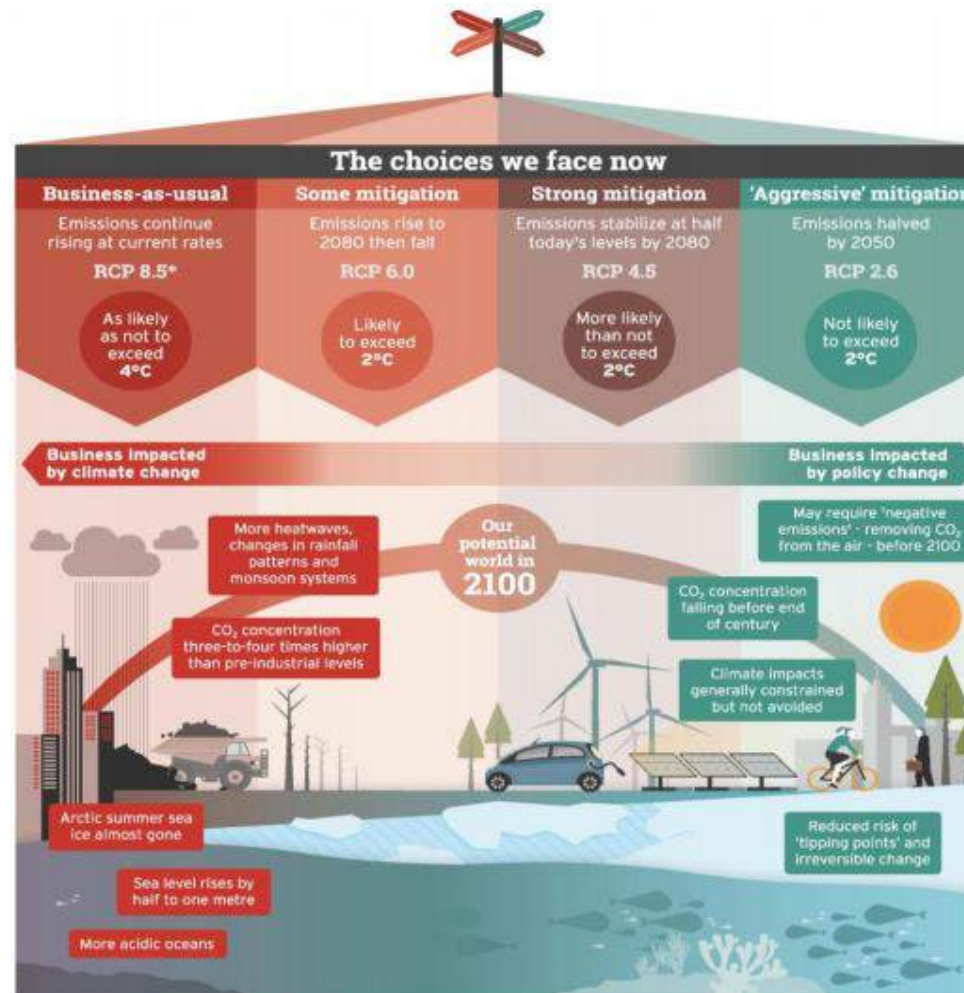
Capital Upgrade Requirements



Macroeconomic & Local Economic Impacts



Supply Chain Disruption



## Transition Climate Risks & Opportunities



Stranded Assets



Investment Opportunity / Access to Capital



Market Disruption



Litigation Damages, Reputation

Source: CLIMATE CHANGE: ACTION, TRENDS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR BUSINESS The IPCC's Fifth Assessment Report, Working Group 1

# Growing Risk and Opportunities

As the urgency around climate change has increased, the significance of emissions reductions as well as risks and opportunities have emerged.

“Identify the most severe risks on a global scale over the next 10 years”

Risk categories

- ◆ Economic
- ◆ Environmental
- ◆ Geopolitical
- ◆ Societal
- ◆ Technological



Source: World Economic Forum Global Risks Perception Survey 2021-2022)

**1.8°C**

most optimistic scenario of global warming after COP26

**\$130 trillion**

capital confirmed as committed to net zero

**40 million**

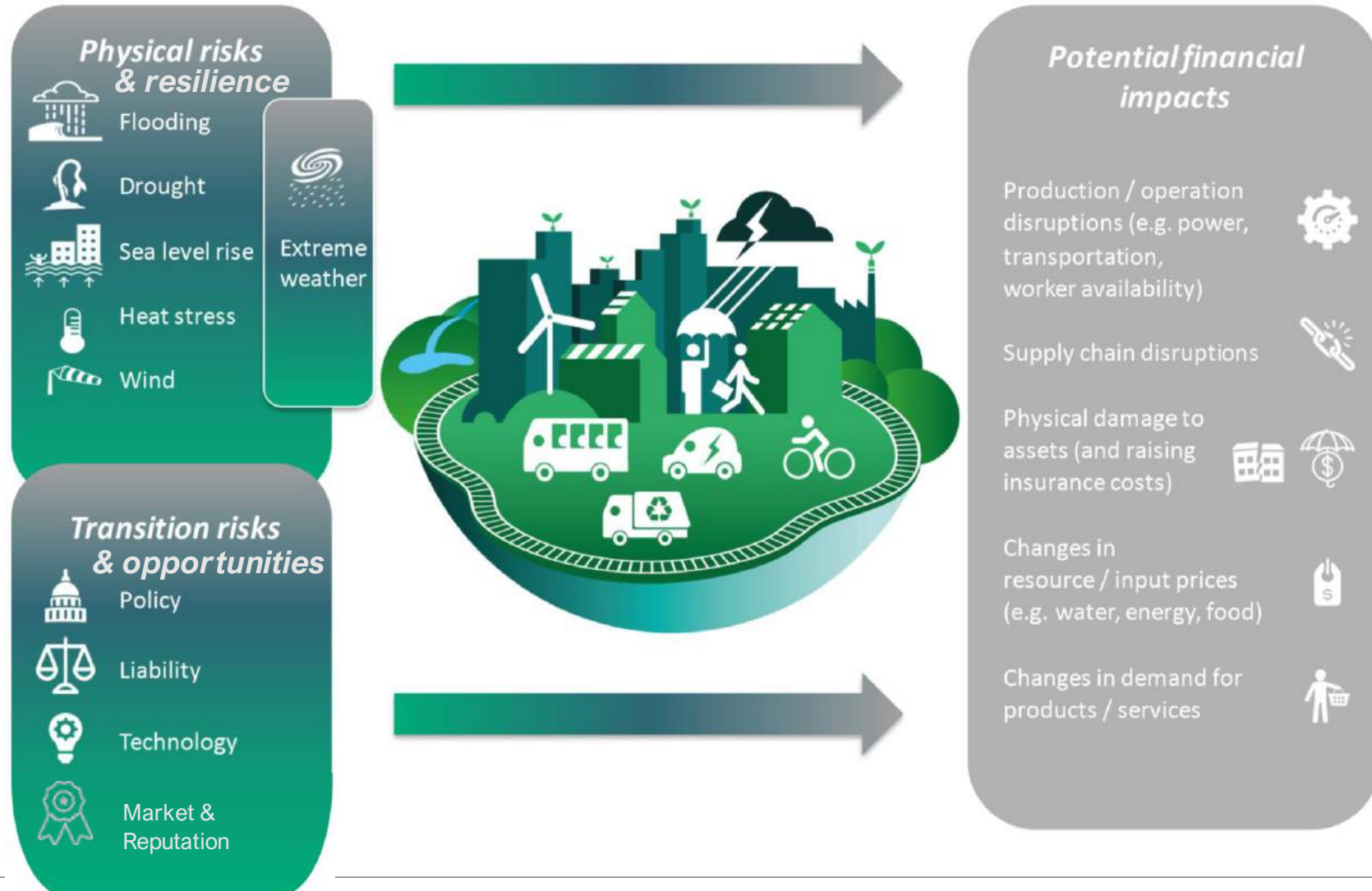
jobs created through re-skilling in renewables sector by 2050

**Top 5**

environmental risks lead the way in long-term concerns according to WEF

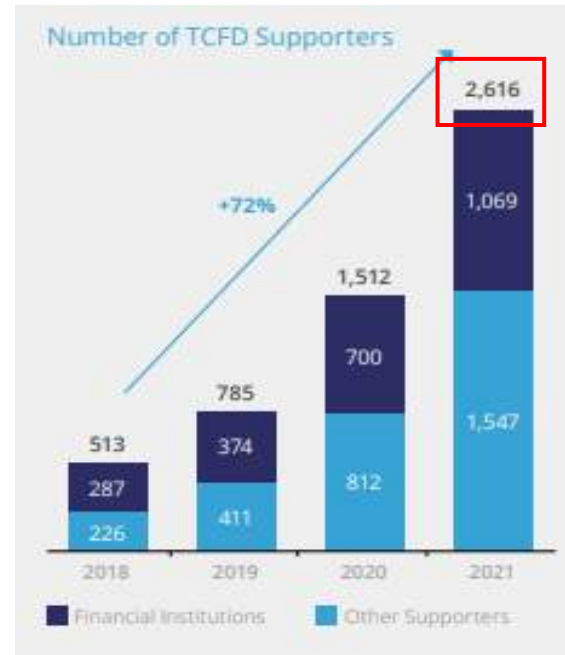
# Climate Change Impacts

Climate change impacts to companies are broad, but can be categorized as **'physical'** and **'transition'**



# Growing Pressure to Disclose

*The trend in climate-related reporting is being driven by financial regulators and investors' requirements, as they commit to managing and assessing impacts to economies and portfolios.*



Source: TCFD 2021 Status Report (October 2021)





# There is Increasing Pressure to Act on Climate Change

## Investors



Enhanced corporate disclosure on climate risks and opportunities enables investors to assess the **robustness** of companies' **business plans** against a range of climate change scenarios and the potential impact on **portfolio value**.

## Regulators



Governments worldwide have announced **mandatory disclosure** of climate risks.



## Standards and Initiatives



A wide range of standards and initiatives that promote climate change related disclosure or guidance.



## Lenders



Lenders are assessing how climate risks and opportunities could impact each stage of the **credit lifecycle**.



# Regulators and Investors

*Regulators and investors are making specific requirements for disclosure*



## Regulators



SEC proposed rule would require public companies to disclose the following:

- Material climate-related risks that affect business
- Certain greenhouse gas emissions information
- Report on certain climate-related financial statement metrics in a note to their audited financial statements.



The undertaking shall disclose:

- A description of its climate-related risks & opportunities
- Its plans to ensure business model and strategy are compatible with the transition to a climate-neutral economy and with limiting global warming to 1.5 °C in line with the Paris Agreement.



## Investors



Implement a strong **governance** framework which clearly articulates the board's accountability and oversight of climate change risk.



Companies should publicly disclose a description of the impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities on its businesses, strategy and financial planning including an impact scenario referencing 1.5°C limit.




## Consumers

**In response, various standards and initiatives are promoting the disclosure of decision-useful climate-related information**

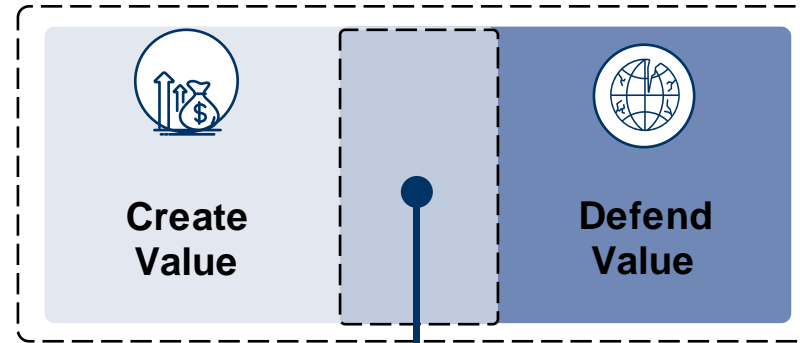
# Regulators and Investors

Regulators and investors are making specific requirements for disclosure (Malaysia-specific)

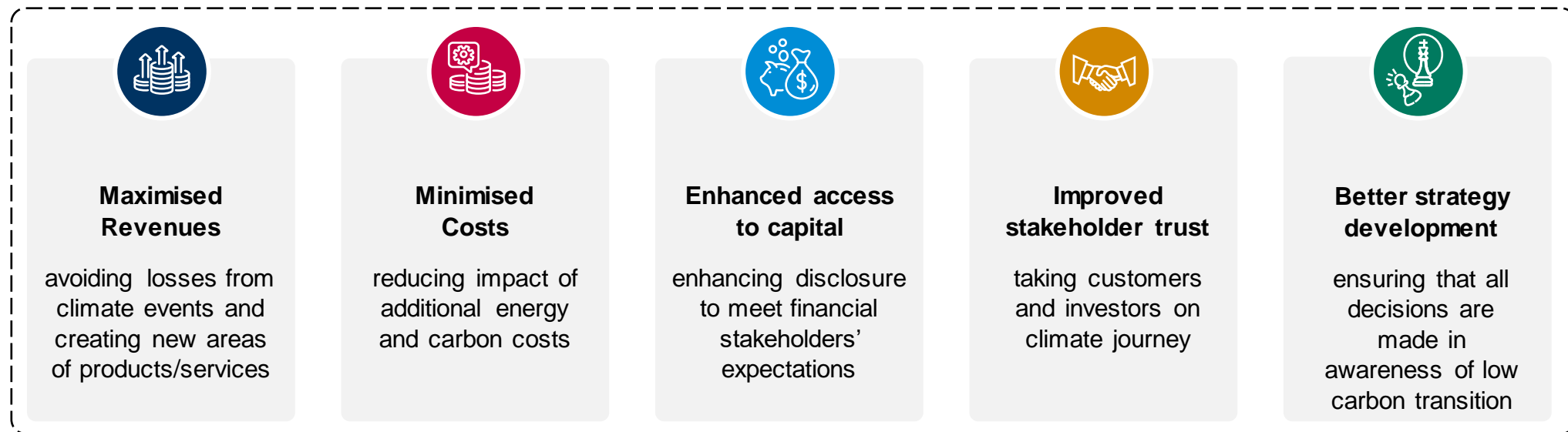
## Regulators

Regulation	 <b>Bank Negara Malaysia</b> Financial institutions regulated by BNM are expected to work towards adopting stretch recommendations that are fully aligned with TCFD disclosures by end 2024.	 <b>Securities Commission Malaysia</b> Additional requirements for any existing or new funds who wishes to qualify as SRI fund or issuance of SRI Sukuk and SRI based requirements in their code	 <b>Bursa Malaysia</b> Bursa requires companies listed under the Main Markets to disclose common sustainability matters by 2023 and TCFD-aligned disclosure by 2025	 <b>Monetary Authority of Singapore</b> Guidelines to enhance fund management companies' and real estate investment trust managers' management of environmental risk.
Published Guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation Guide for Value-based Intermediation</li> <li>• Climate Change Taxonomy and Principle-Based</li> <li>• Climate Risk Management and Scenario Analysis (Exposure Draft)</li> <li>• TCFD Application Guide for Malaysian Financial Institutions</li> <li>• 2024 Climate Risk Stress Testing Exercise (Discussion Paper)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds</li> <li>• Guidelines on Issuance of Corporate Bonds and Sukuk to Retail Investors</li> <li>• Malaysian Code of Governance (Articulates the board's accountability and integration of sustainability considerations in corporate strategy, governance and decision-making)</li> <li>• Malaysian Code for Institutional Investors (Principle for sustainable investment)</li> <li>• <i>Will be releasing the SRI Taxonomy by the end of this year</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainability Reporting Guide (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition)</li> <li>• Sustainability toolkits, including: Governance, Materiality Assessment, Stakeholder engagement, Stakeholder prioritization, materiality matrix, management approach</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidelines on Environmental Risk Management (Asset Managers)</li> </ul>

# Fully Integrating Climate Change Considerations into Business Plans will both Create and Defend Value

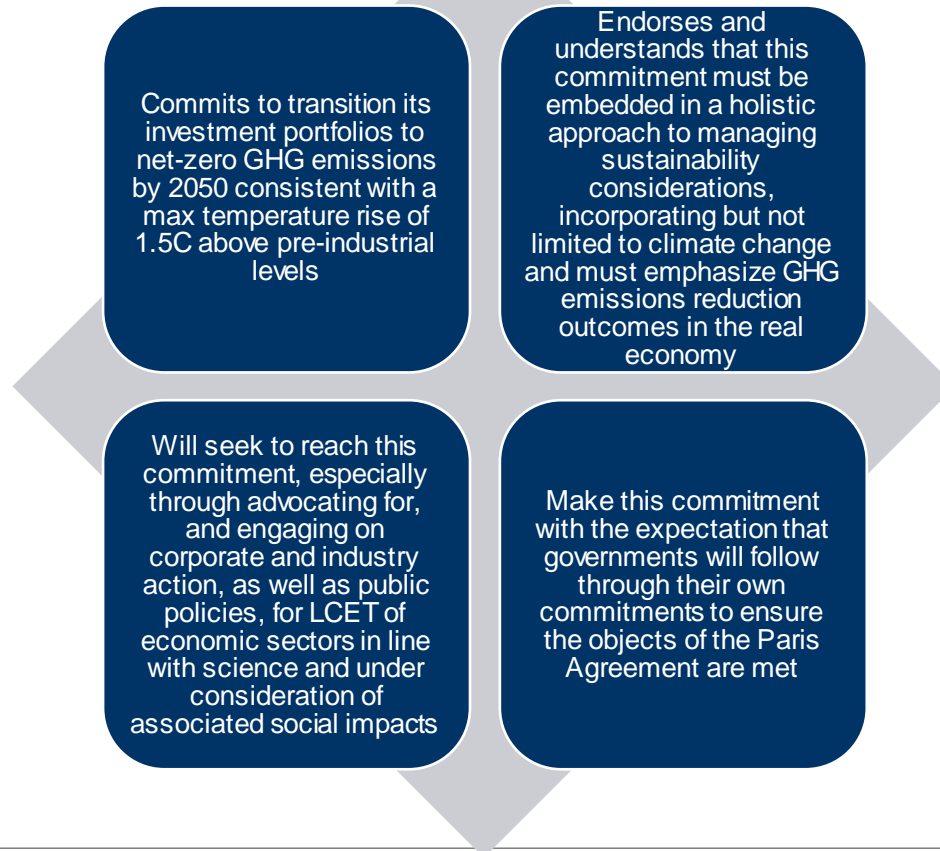


Business benefits of evaluating climate-related risks and opportunities



# UN-convened Net-Zero Asset Owner Alliance

The UN-convened Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance (NZAOA) is a member-led initiative of institutional investors committed to transitioning their investment portfolios to net-zero GHG emissions by 2050 – consistent with a maximum temperature rise of 1.5°C. Commitments for participating asset owners:



## 80 Members

The Alliance members are the finance industry's first to set intermediate targets, which include CO<sub>2</sub> reduction ranges for 2025 (22 – 32%) and for 2030 (49% – 65%)

## \$10.9 trillion AUM

44 members with set target

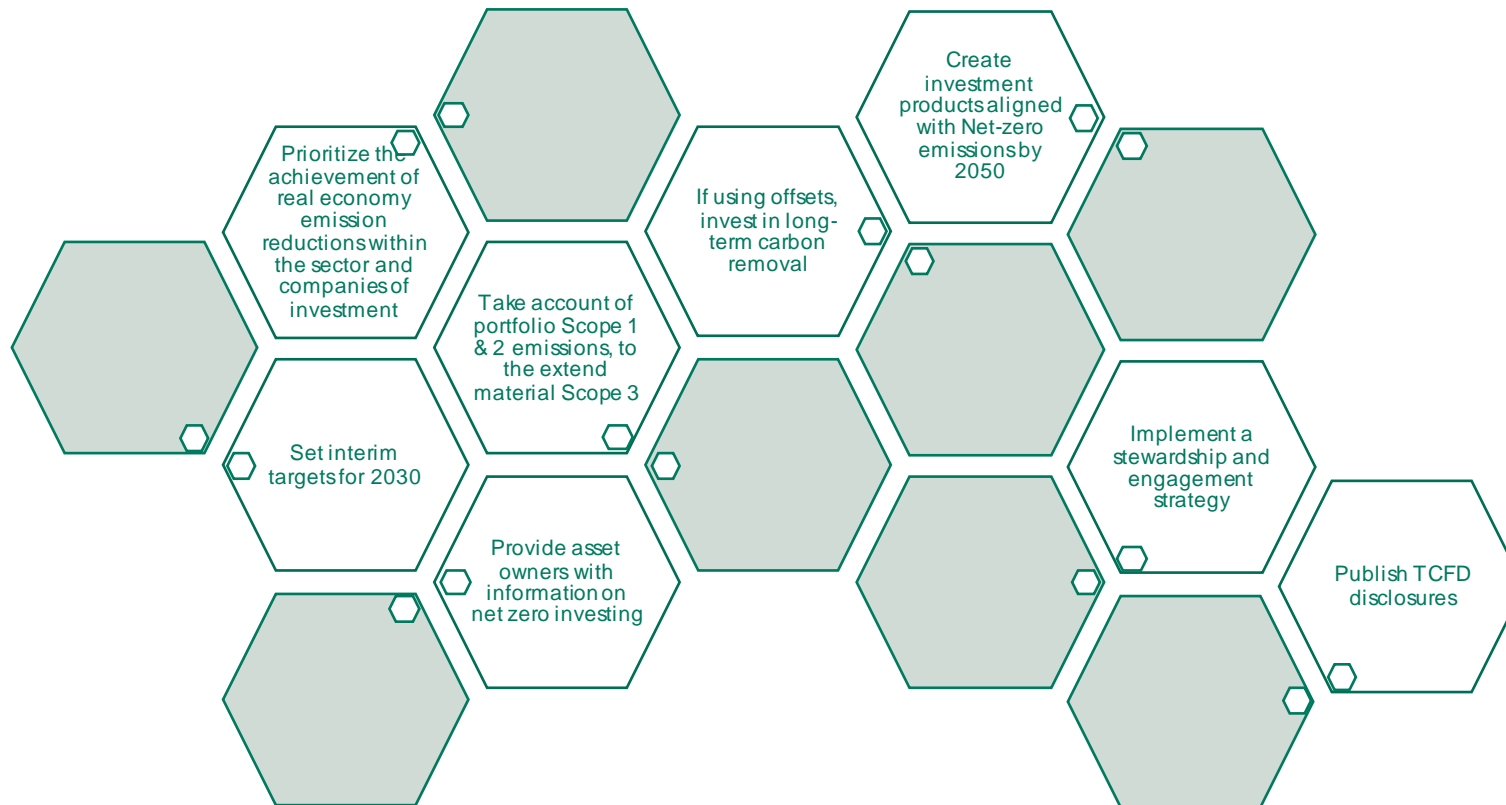
## 6 Members in APAC



# The Net Zero Asset Managers Initiative

## The Net Zero Asset Managers Commitment

- Work in partnership with asset owner clients on decarbonization goals, consistent with an ambition to reach net zero emissions by 2050 or sooner across all assets under management ('AUM')
- Set an interim target for the proportion of assets to be managed in line with the attainment of net zero emissions by 2050 or sooner
- Review our interim target at least every five years, with a view to ratcheting up the proportion of AUM covered until 100% of assets are included



The Net Zero Asset Managers initiative is an international group of asset managers committed to supporting the goal of net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 or sooner, in line with global efforts to limit warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius; and to supporting investing aligned with net zero emissions by 2050 or sooner.

## 291 Signatories

Asset Managers have committed to achieve net zero alignment by 2050 or sooner, drawing on the Net Zero Investment Framework to deliver these commitments

## \$66 trillion in AUM trillion

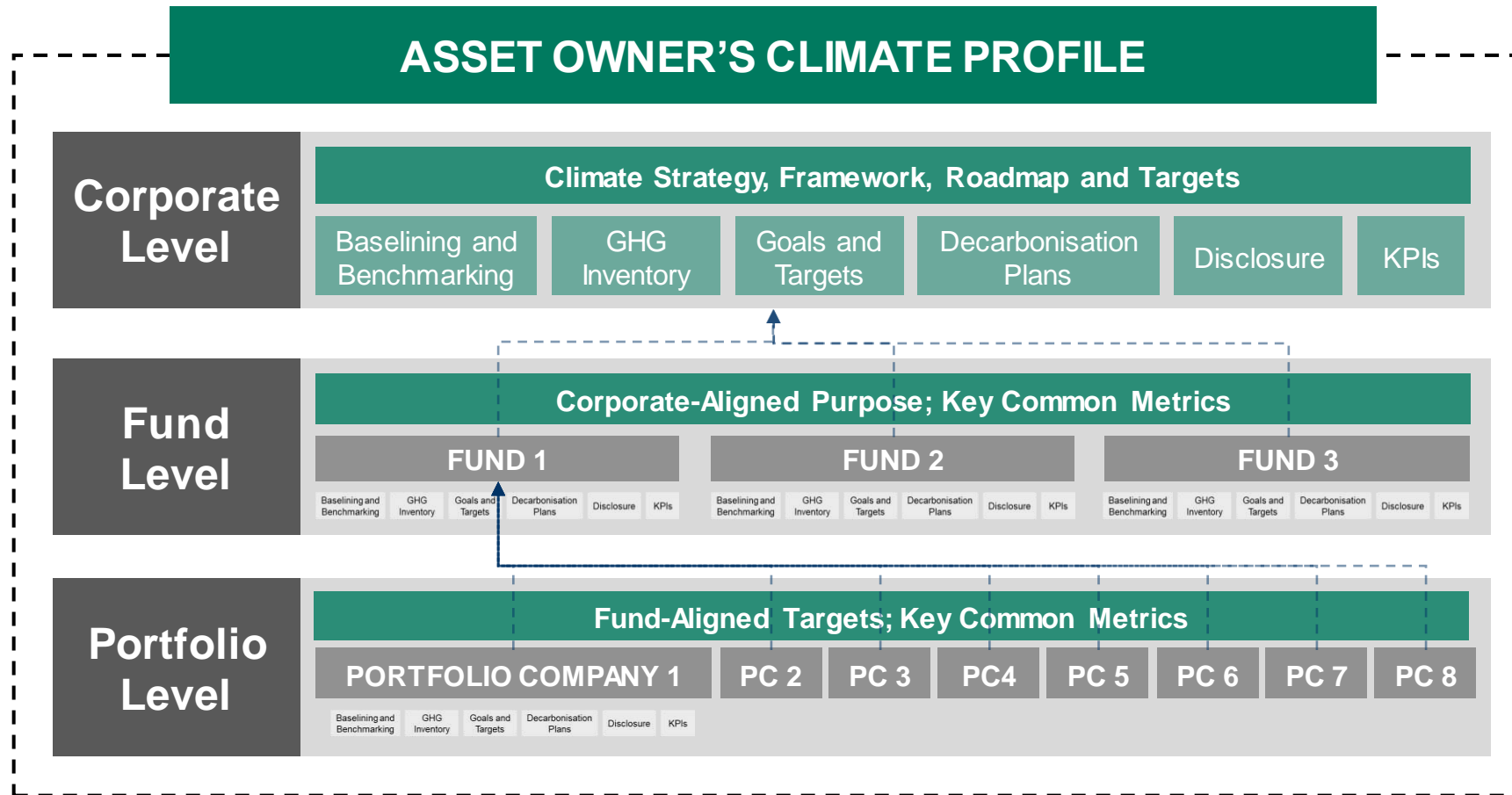
Asset Manager capital confirmed as committed to net zero



## **Session 2: Beyond Policy Setting**

*Margie Ong*

# An asset owner's Climate Profile is critical towards decarbonisation



## Relevant Frameworks



Other frameworks that are country or fund type specific may be relevant

## ACTION

Building your climate profile

Determine your aspiration level

Determine your available data landscape

Create your preliminary Corporate Strategy and process roadmap

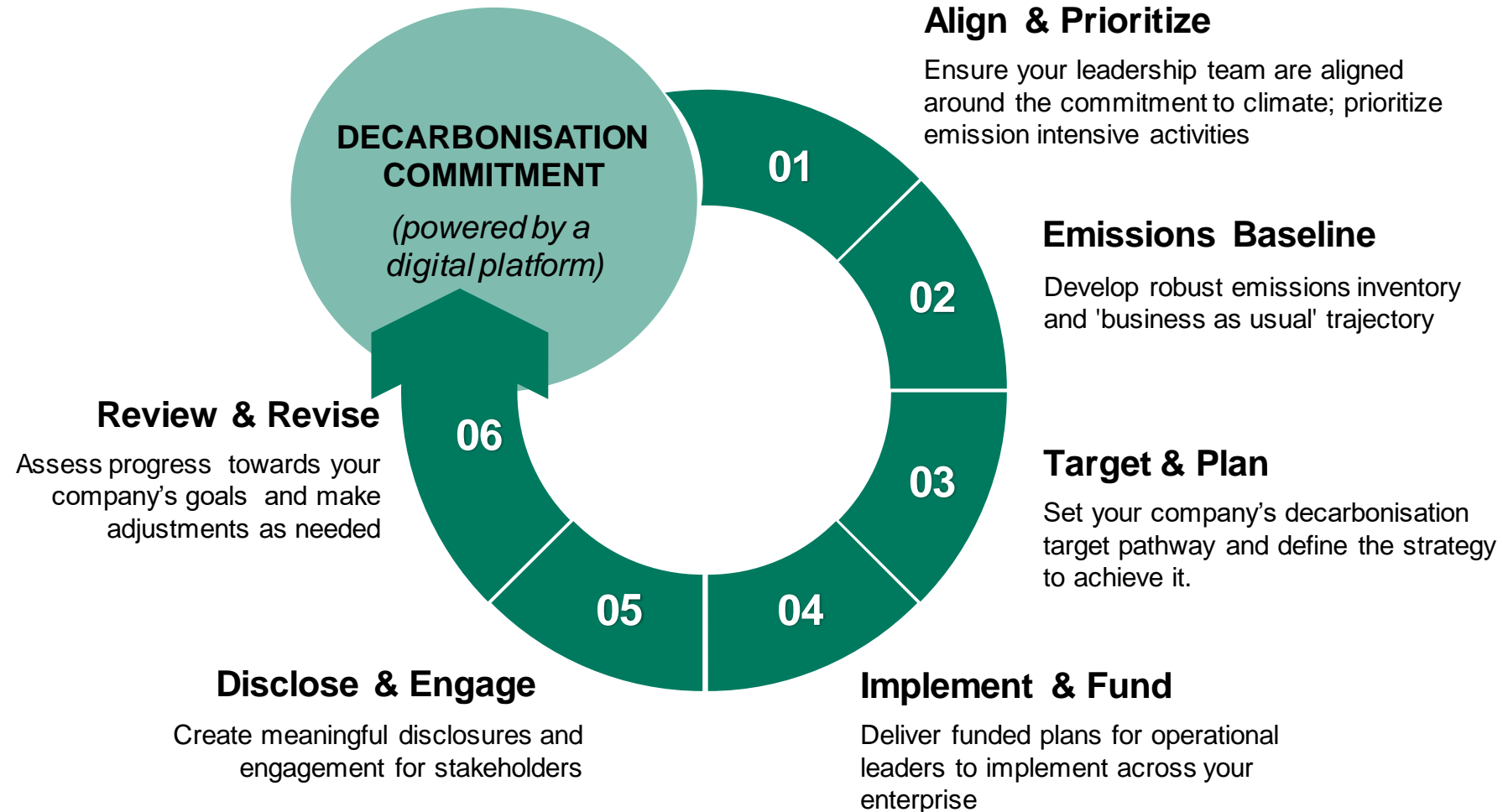
Select 1 pilot Fund and, within it, at least 2 pilot PCs

Build your Fund ESG Position and PC ESG Guidance

Revisit your Corporate Strategy; Build a Roadmap to completion with clear milestones and targets; Chip away at the mountain of work ahead!



# PC-level ownership is needed for company-level decarbonisation



# A few key metrics will allow you to understand and manage your climate impact for a fund

METRIC	USE CASE	PROS AND CONS
Total financed emissions	To set baselines and track emissions evolution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Easily applied</li> <li>+ Tracks absolutes over time</li> <li>- Comparisons difficult, not normalised</li> <li>- Enterprise value can impact</li> </ul>
Carbon footprint	To compare portfolios and perform company attributions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Can compare</li> <li>+ Link between ownership and emission</li> <li>- Does not consider efficiency</li> <li>- Enterprise value can impact</li> </ul>
Carbon intensity (revenue)	To evaluate exposure to carbon-intensive companies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Reflects size</li> <li>+ Reflects carbon efficiency</li> <li>- Sensitive to product price fluctuation</li> <li>- Sensitive to outliers</li> </ul>
Carbon intensity (physical)	To perform sector-specific deep-dive analyses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Direct link to production</li> <li>+ Independent of pricing</li> <li>+ Considers size and efficiency</li> <li>- Factors sector-specific, cannot compare</li> <li>- Not suitable for sectors with wide product mix</li> </ul>

# Five key steps to remember in your corporate roadmap towards net zero

## 1. Footprint first

- Define **organizational** and **operational boundaries**
- Ensure to capture a comprehensive **assessment** of the organization's **value chain**
- Use this process as an opportunity to **strengthen relationships** with **suppliers** and other stakeholders

## 3. Less Energy, Less Carbon

- Undertake **energy audits**
- Use **analytical tools** to quantify emissions and cost savings and calculate pay back periods
- Expand **energy efficiency initiatives** into the **supply chain** and other parts of the value chain
- **Explore partnerships** to increase knowledge sharing

## 5. Remove Remaining Carbon

- **Identify** operational processes most likely to require **Carbon Capture Utilization Storage (CCUS)** solutions to reduce emissions
- **Review technology options**,
- Look for potential **technology and financing partners**
- Develop a clear **stakeholder engagement plan** to ensure you have buy-in from critical individuals and groups

## 2. Know Your End Goal

- Use a **well-established methodology**
- Select relevant **global frameworks**
- Keep abreast with **market developments**
- **Benchmark** quickly and often

## 4. Choose Low Carbon Power

- Map your company's **energy requirements**
- **Switch** to **renewable** power where possible
- **Long-term power purchasing agreements**
- **Electrify** transport fleets
- Join **coalitions** of energy buyers and other collaborations to **advocate** for changes in the grid and energy market



## **Session 3: Understanding Emissions**

*Kee Vern Lai*

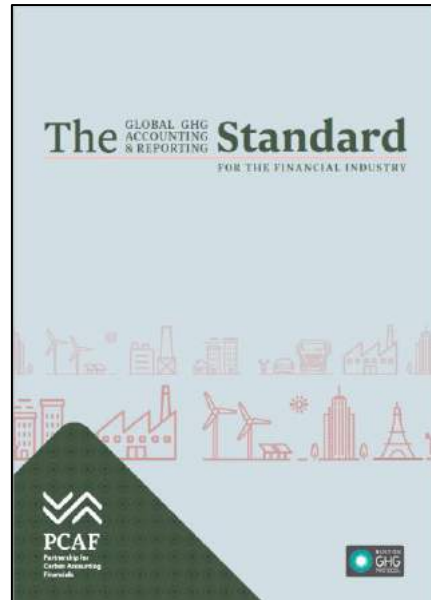
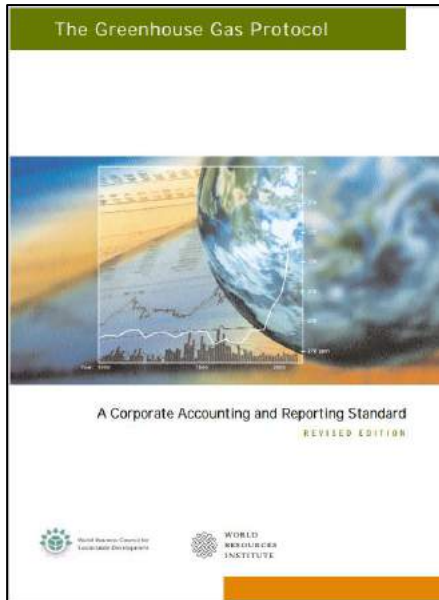
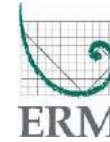
# Five essential steps for corporate climate action

## Covered Today



# Overview of Key GHG Frameworks

The following international frameworks and standards for GHG accounting and target setting are the most widely used globally and are seen as best practice.

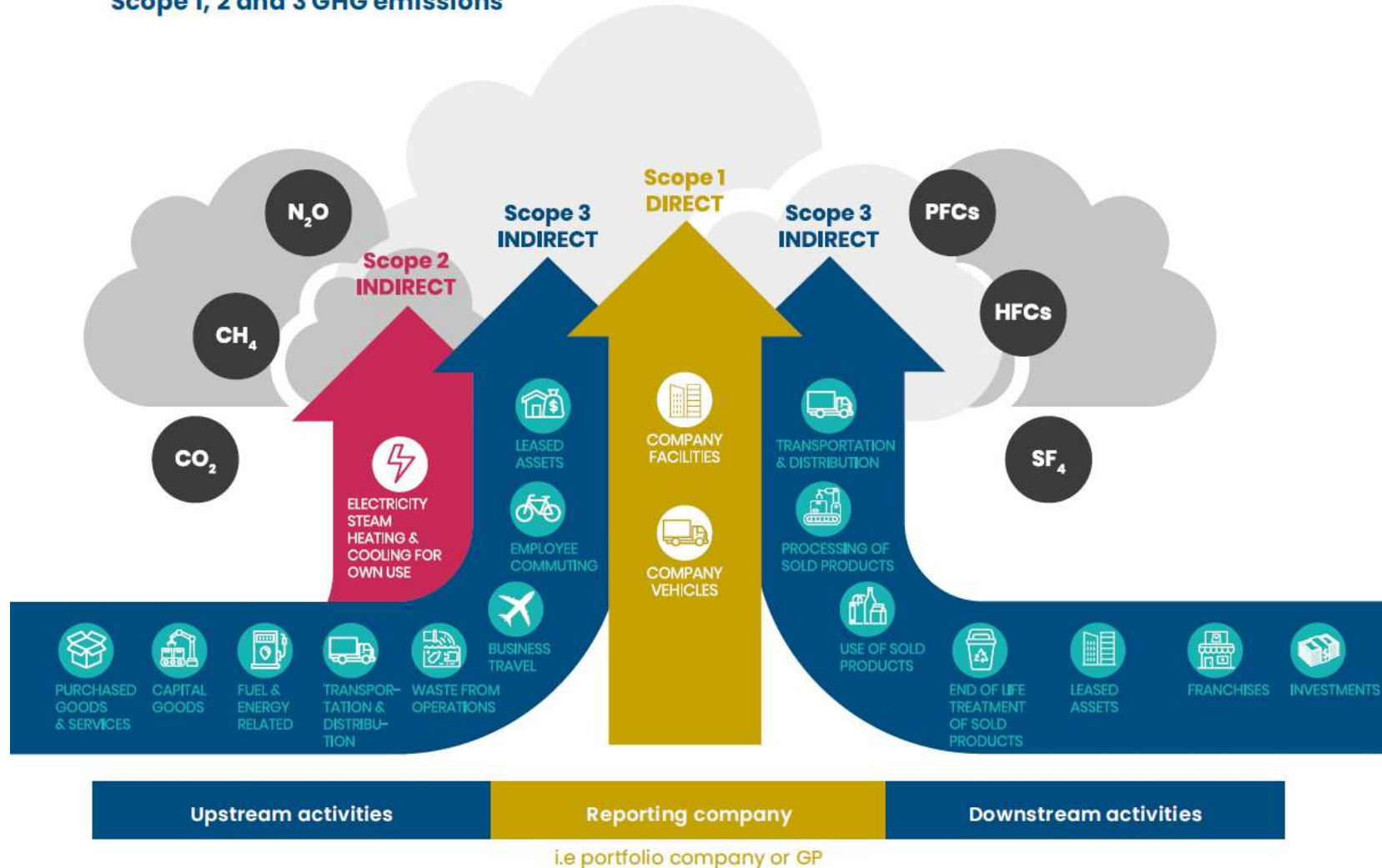


# Approaches to set Operational Boundaries

Scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions



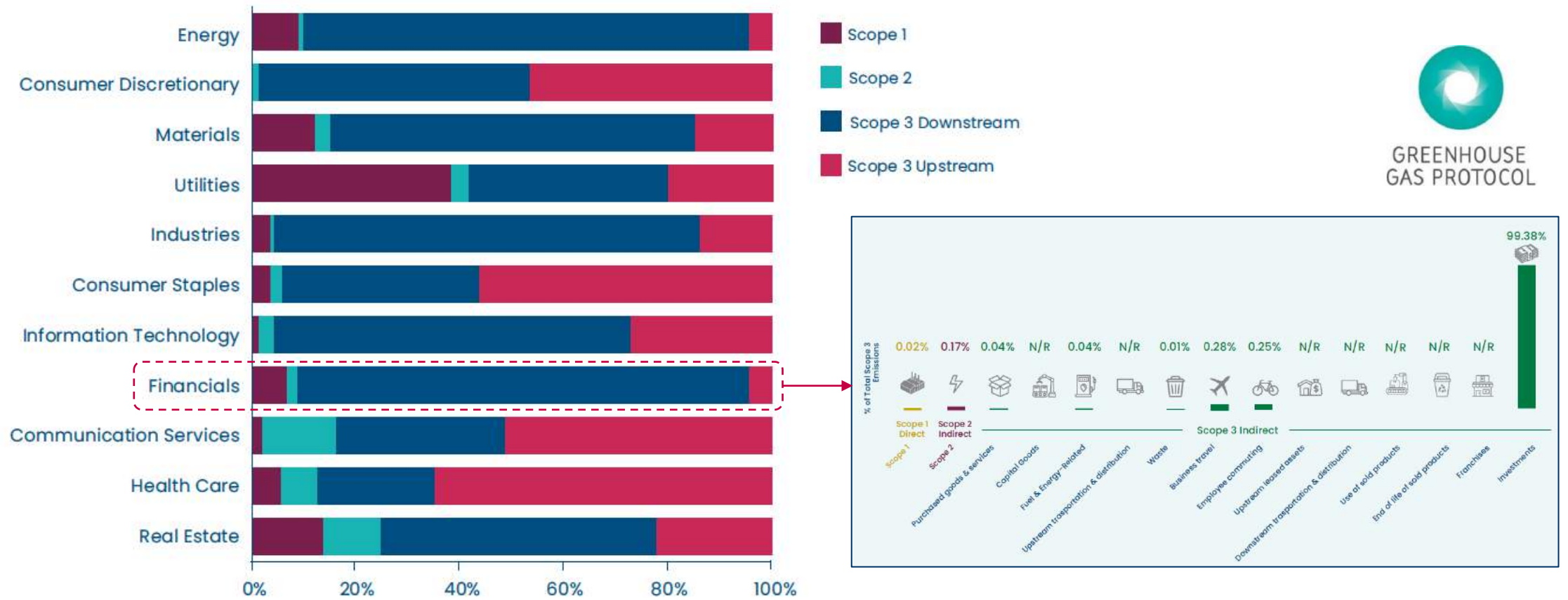
GREENHOUSE GAS PROTOCOL



Source: WRI and wbcSD, 2011, Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standard

# Scope 3 Category 15 (Investments) accounts for a large proportion of total emissions in the financial sector.

Scope 3 emissions in proportion to scope 1 and 2 emissions





# Approaches to set Organizational Boundaries

*The guidance developed by PCAF requires financial institutions to use a CONTROL approach.*



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*According to the GHG protocol standard, there are two main types of approaches towards setting organizational boundaries for companies globally.*

## Control Approach

**Operational:** A company accounts for **100%** of GHG emissions from **operations** over which it has operational control over. **It does not account** for GHG emissions from operations in which **it owns an interest but has no control**.

**Financial:** Company accounts for **100%** of GHG emissions from operations which it has **financial** control over.

## Equity Share Approach

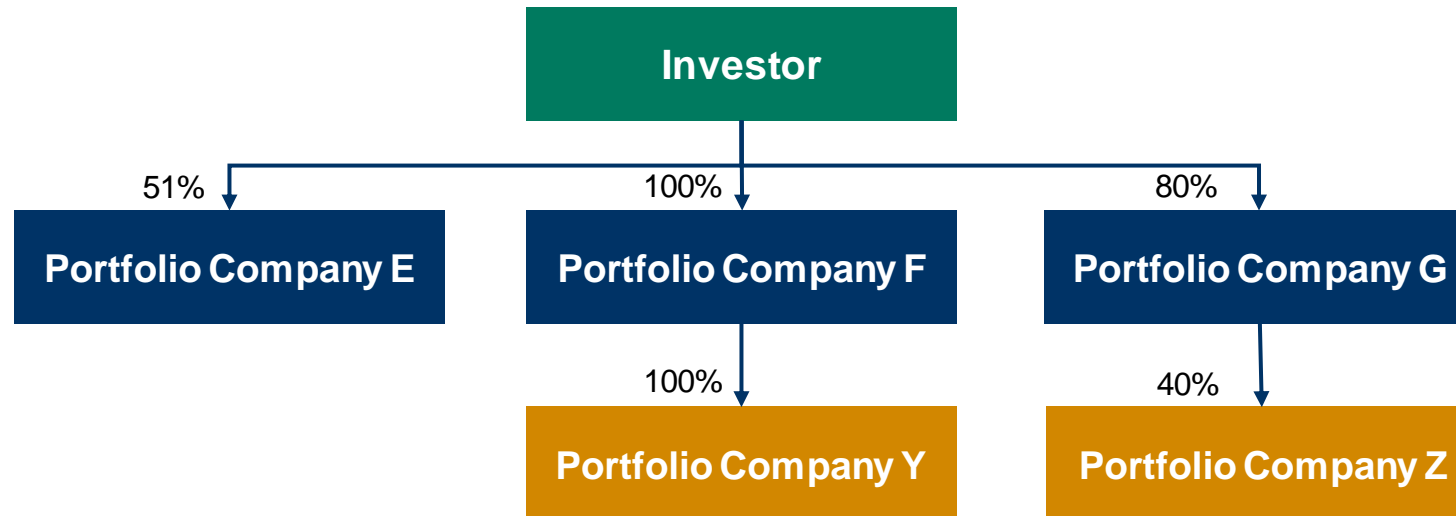
A company **accounts for GHG emissions** from operations **according to its share of equity** in the operation.

The equity share reflects economic interest, which is the extent of rights a company has to the **risks and rewards** flowing from an operation.

# Boundary Setting Example

## Operational/ Financial Control & Equity Share

**Scenario:** Investor has **operational control** over portfolio companies which it has **>50% economic interest**.



### Operational/ Financial Control

#### Scope 1 & 2:

- 100% GHG emissions of Portfolio Company E + F + G + Y

#### Scope 3:

- 100% of Scope 3 emissions of Portfolio Company E + F + G + Y
- 40% of Portfolio Company Z's Scope 1 & 2 GHG emissions under Category 15 Investments

### Equity Share

#### Scope 1 & 2:

- 100% GHG emissions of Portfolio Company F + Y
- 51% of Company E
- 80% of Company G
- 32% of Company Z

#### Scope 3:

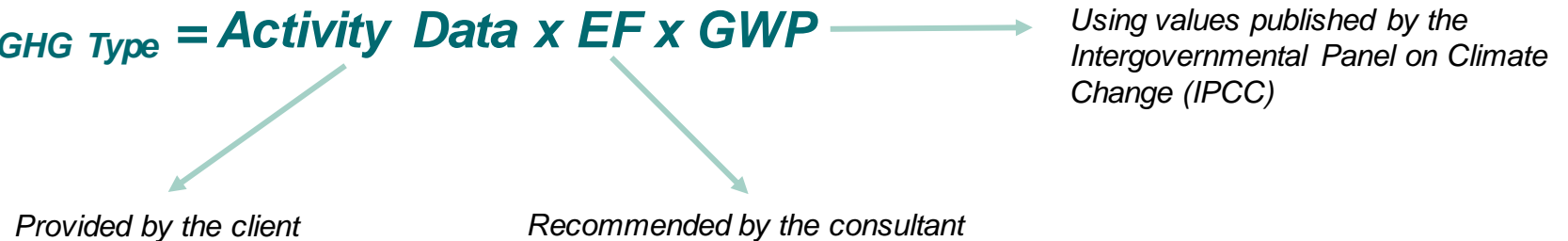
- Scope 3 emissions of assets listed above based on equity

# How are Scope 1 & 2 GHG Emissions Calculated?



GHG emissions are calculated using **Emission Factors (EFs)** & **Global Warming Potentials (GWP)**.

$$\text{Emissions}_{\text{GHG Type}} = \text{Activity Data} \times \text{EF} \times \text{GWP}$$



GHG	GWP Values (100-yr Horizon)	
	AR5	AR6
CO2	1	1
CH4	28	27.9
N2O	265	273

# Scope 3 Category 15: Financed Emissions

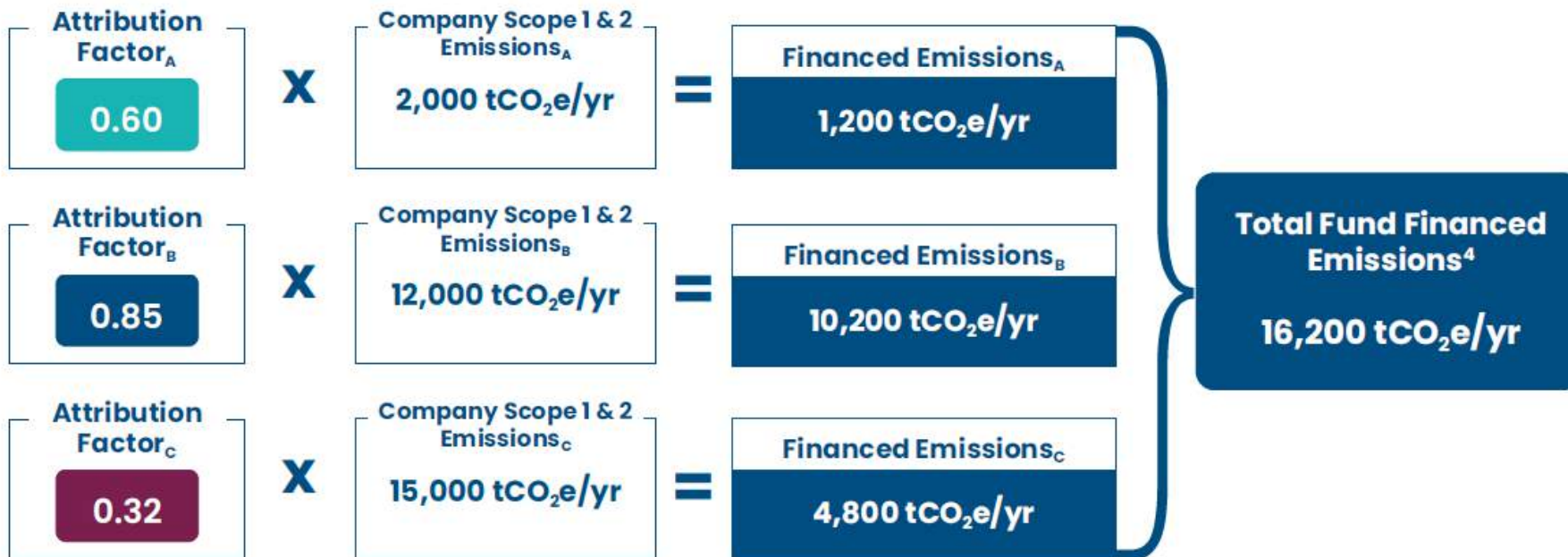
When calculating *financed emissions*, investors attribute only a share of the GHG emissions of their portfolio companies as part of their financed emissions.



<sup>3</sup>Scope 1 and 2 emissions. The same process should be undertaken for scope 3 emissions should this data be obtained and reported.

# Financed Emissions are consolidated based on the respective attribution factors for each portfolio company.

- Portfolio Company **A**
- Portfolio Company **B**
- Portfolio Company **C**



<sup>4</sup>Scope 1 and 2 emissions. The same process should be undertaken for scope 3 emissions should this data be obtained and reported.



## Session 3: Q&A