Network for Greening the Financial System Annual report

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Introductory message







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mid multiple global challenges, the Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS) stayed the course and pushed new boundaries over the past year in our collective effort to green the financial system. We intensified our analytical work, broadened the scope of our activities, and welcomed new members.

The NGFS has deepened its work on existing priorities and flagship projects. We have enhanced the NGFS climate scenarios, which are being used by an increasing number of stakeholders for stress-testing and risk management purposes. We have also strengthened work on supervisory practices with regard to managing climate and environmental risks.

The work programme of the NGFS has also broadened in scope. We have established dedicated task forces and expert networks to delve into emerging topics, such as nature-related risks and climate-related data. We have also started to explore the role of supervisors in transition planning by financial institutions and to analyse blended finance as a tool for scaling up the financing necessary for decarbonisation efforts.

As the size and diversity of our membership grew, we established regional outreach sessions to hear the views of all our members and to deepen collaboration on issues of greater relevance to members in each region. We are also boosting capacity building and training efforts to provide multiple avenues for our members to share experience and build knowledge.

There remains much work ahead. The last year has also seen setbacks to global climate efforts, as fossil fuel subsidies reached a record high amid the global energy crisis. At the same time, as the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) synthesis report makes abundantly clear, urgent action on climate change is needed more than ever.

We will further consolidate the role of the NGFS in understanding climate and environmental risks and in strengthening the climate resilience of the global financial system. We will continue to work closely with standard setting bodies, multilateral organisations, financial institutions, and other stakeholders to push the boundaries in greening the financial system.

We want to express our deep gratitude for the dedication of NGFS members and observers. Their strong commitment has allowed the NGFS to achieve much in the past year. As a coalition, we must continue to keep our ambitions high, translate our commitments into actions and ultimately turn actions into real impact for a more sustainable future.

Origin of the NGFS



8 central banks and supervisors

established a Network of Central Banks and Supervisors for Greening the Financial System.



As of December 2022, the NGFS consists of

121 Members 19 Observers

The NGFS is a coalition of the willing.

It is a voluntary, consensus-based forum whose purpose is to share best practices, contribute to the development of climate-related and environmental risk management in the financial sector and mobilise mainstream finance to support the transition toward a sustainable economy.

The NGFS issues recommendations

which are not binding but are aimed at inspiring all central banks and supervisors and relevant stakeholders to take the necessary measures to foster a greener financial system.



In November 2021, the NGFS published the NGFS Glasgow Declaration,

no longer being just a coalition of the willing but also a coalition of the committed.





The NGFS is committed to:

Strengthening supervision of financial institution' climate-related risks
Developing climate scenarios for financial system
Achieving net zero for central banks
Examining impact of climate change on monetary policy
Bridging climate-related data gaps
Stepping up efforts on capacity building and training
Advancing global discussions collaboratively with private and public sector

2022 NGFS work programme

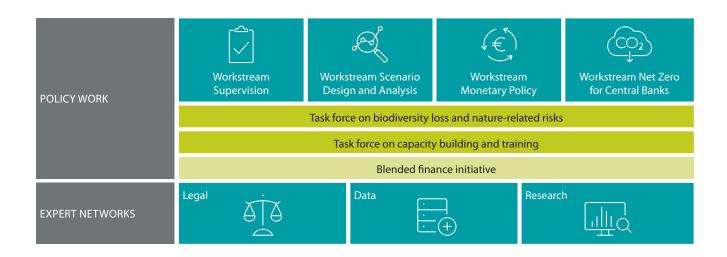
NGFS members decided to update the NGFS work programme in 2022 to reflect the emergence of new topics and to better meet the members' wish to collaborate on key areas and to share common expertise.

It was decided to reorganise the key activities and long-term objectives of the NGFS around four workstreams. The first workstream focuses on "Supervision", aiming to foster progress among NGFS members towards incorporating climate-related and environmental risks within their supervisory frameworks and practices. The objectives of the second workstream on "Scenario Design and Analysis" are to develop and promote climate scenario analysis and its use by NGFS members and the financial community. The third workstream on "Monetary Policy" aims to deepen the NGFS understanding of the implications of climate change, and the actions designed to mitigate it, on the conduct of monetary policy and of the different options available to central banks. The fourth workstream "Net Zero for Central Banks" provides a forum for NGFS members to discuss issues and approaches related to their own transition as institutions, such as central banks' sustainable and responsible investment, the greening of their corporate operations and their own climate-related and environmental disclosures.

To cover transversal issues and explore emerging topics, the NGFS established two new project-oriented task forces, operating on the basis of a specific mandate. The first one is on capacity building and training, mapping training needs and supply, sharing available resources, and identifying good practices in the design and development of training and capacity building strategies. The second one is on biodiversity losses and nature-related risks, serving as an incubator to help mainstream considerations on nature-related risks across the NGFS work programme.

Complementary to these core working groups, the NGFS is using its convening power to bring together relevant parties to address potential regulatory and practical barriers hampering the scaling up of blended finance.

Finally, three expert networks, gathering communities of experts to share knowledge and information, have been created on (i) legal issues, (ii) data and (iii) research to maintain the work of the NGFS at the forefront of innovation on these topics. This four-pronged structure aims to provide clear guidance to its members while helping the NGFS remain nimble enough to address emerging or incidental issues.



2022 NGFS highlights

MARCH

Publication of the report 2021 NGFS Annual report

Publication of the Statement on Nature-related Financial Risks

Annual Plenary meeting (via videoconference)





APRIL

Publication of the report Enhancing market transparency in green and transition finance

Steering Committee Retreat in Washington D.C.





MAY

Publication of the progress report *Capturing risk differentials* from climate-related risks

Publication of the report Credit Ratings and Climate Change – Challenges for Central Bank Operations

Steering Committee meeting in Paris

Green Swan Conference co-organised by the Bank for International Settlements, the European Central Bank, the Network for Greening the Financial System and the People's Bank of China

Academic Outreach (with an extended list of scholars to present and raise awareness of the new NGFS work program)





2022 NGFS highlights (continued)

JULY

Publication of Final report on bridging data gaps

Launch of the NGFS Data Directory

SEPTEMBER

Publication of the third vintage of the NGFS Scenarios for central banks and supervisors, accompanied by specific notes on scenario analysis

Steering Committee meeting in Frankfurt

Plenary Outreach for members from Europe

OCTOBER

Publication of the Dashboard on scaling up green finance

Plenary Outreach for members from the Americas

NOVEMBER

Publication of joint Financial Stability Board and Network for Greening the Financial System report on *Climate Scenario*Analysis by Jurisdictions – Initial findings and lessons

COP27

Steering Committee meeting (via videoconference)

DECEMBER

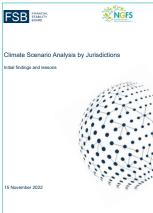
Publication of Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action and Network for Greening the Financial System Blog: Finance Ministries, Central Banks and Supervisors Recognize Nature-Related Risks and Commit to Deepening Their Understanding

Keynote remarks by Ravi Menon, Chair of the NGFS, at the COP15 of the Convention on Biological Diversity













Focus on the Regional Outreach Sessions

In 2022, the NGFS organised two hybrid regional outreach sessions. The European Outreach took place in Frankfurt on 12 September 2022. A second outreach session was organised for the Americas in Washington D.C. on 12 October 2022.

The aim of these meetings is to better cater for the diversity of the membership and to discuss region-specific issues as the NGFS membership has greatly expanded over the past years. During the European Outreach, discussions focused on climate scenario analysis and stress testing. The exchanges that took place during the Outreach with members from the Americas also focused on these topics, as well as on the work on nature-related risks.

The next regional outreach will take place before the NGFS Annual Plenary meeting in Singapore on 25 April 2023 for Asia-Pacific members. Discussions will focus on the specificities of the transition to net zero in that region and the implications for climate scenario analysis and stress testing. In addition, an African Outreach is expected to take place in the summer.



European Plenary Outreach, hosted by the Bundesbank



Plenary Outreach for members of the Americas, hosted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

2022 NGFS key figures

In 2022:

- The NGFS published **9** reports and **2** occasional papers.
- **6** interviews were performed with NGFS members (*In Conversation with* series).
- The Chair and the Vice-Chair of the NGFS delivered more than 20 speeches.
- The NGFS organised more than 25 high-level meetings, webinars and conferences.
- 16 new members and 3 new observers joined the NGFS.

As of end-2022, the membership of the NGFS covers:



Supervision of 100% of the global systemically important banks



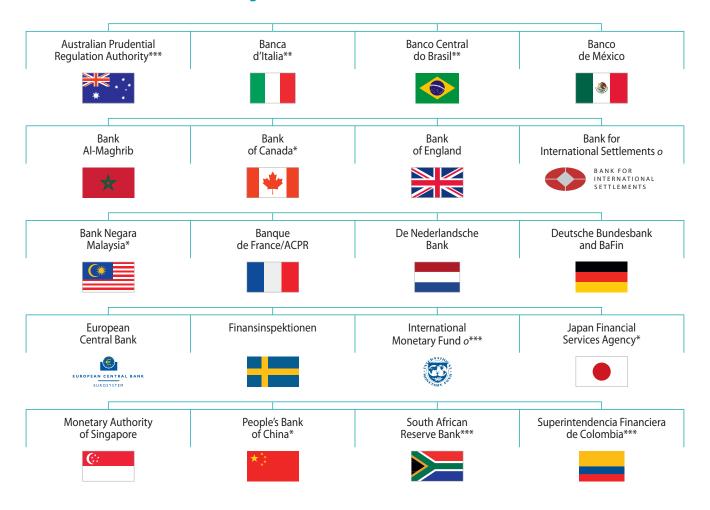
and 80% of the Internationally Active Insurance Groups



Governance and membership of the NGFS

As of end 2022, the NGFS consists of 121 members and 19 observers.

Steering Committee Members and Observers



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o indicates observers.

Plenary Members and Observers¹

Plenary Members



¹ In addition to Steering Committee Members.

Plenary Members (continued)



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Observers

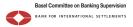
ASEAN +3 Macroeconomic Research Office (AMRO) Asian Development Bank Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

Committee on Payments and Market Infrastructures

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development











European Investment Bank



Financial Stability Board Fondo Latinoamericano de Reservas

Inter-American Development Bank











International Association of Insurance Supervisors

International Organisation of Pensions Supervisors

International Organization of Securities Commissions

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Sustainable Insurance Forum The World Bank and International Finance Corporation





