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**Impact of ESG Risk on Lending Portfolio**  
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# Impact of ESG Risk on Lending Portfolios

- What is the new landscape of ESG risk factors?
- Why ESG risks are important to lending activities?
- How material it is and what are the key implications for banks?
- What is the ESG risk agenda?

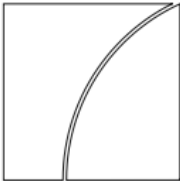
**This session will look into the key challenges faced by banks when implementing their ESG risks framework.**

# Five key challenges faced by banks

- 1. An accelerating pace** and changing regulatory tone from encouragement to full on supervision.
2. Not just accelerating but **increasing in complexity**: data, scope (eg biodiversity and TNFD), policies, taxonomies, labels.
- 3. Reporting focus** including with ISSB starting delivery of standards but this is just the beginning. Reporting data presents a big demand on banks. Audit standard MI is very challenging.
4. First impacts felt are **legal and reputation risk** and developments in this space – sanctions already being applied.
- 5. Training expectations**: from regulators for practitioners to be trained. Broadening out to all business lines and functions, no longer just specialist roles.

# 1: Accelerating pace

Basel Committee  
on Banking Supervision



Principles for the  
effective management  
and supervision of  
climate-related financial  
risks

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**EFRAG**  
European Financial Reporting Advisory Group

**IFRS**  
International Financial  
Reporting Standards

|  | TCFD  | Global Reporting Initiative           | EFRAG   | IFRS  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Scope</b>                                   | Global  | Global                                | Europe  | Global  |
| <b>Time Horizon</b>                            | June 2017   | January 2023                          | First draft to be reviewed by EC by mid-2022, implementation via delegated acts expected in October 2022 and October 2023   | Currently in Consultation Phase until end of July 2022  |
| <b>Goal</b>                                    | General Guidelines  | Disclosure Standard                   | Disclosure Standard   | Disclosure Standard   |
| <b>Target of disclosed info</b>                | Investors, lenders and insurance underwriters ("primary users") | All stakeholders                      | Investors and companies   | Financial investors and other capital market investors  |
| <b>Specific to a regulation</b>                | General   | General                               | CSRD  | General   |
| <b>Alignment</b>                               | Alignment with GRI  | Alignment with TCFD's recommendations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Seeking compatibility with the TCFD's recommendations,</li> <li>– Statement of collaboration with GRI</li> <li>– In contact with ISSB</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Standards are built on TCFD'S standards,</li> <li>– Collaboration agreement with GRI,</li> <li>– Communication with EFRAG</li> </ul> |
| <b>Financial &amp; Non-financial standards</b> | both  | both                                  | both  | both  |

## 2: Increasing complexity

- New risks factors into the Risk Management framework
- ESG factors: scope selection and criticality assessment
- Data selection and processing
- Embedding ESG risks into policies and processes
- Regional taxonomies in the context of global standardisation: still work in progress
- ESG labels, metrics, ratings... how to navigate?
- Where to start and how to progress?

# 3: Reporting focus

Figure 2

## Core Elements of Recommended Climate-Related Financial Disclosures



### **Governance**

The organization's governance around climate-related risks and opportunities

### **Strategy**

The actual and potential impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities on the organization's businesses, strategy, and financial planning

### **Risk Management**

The processes used by the organization to identify, assess, and manage climate-related risks

### **Metrics and Targets**

The metrics and targets used to assess and manage relevant climate-related risks and opportunities

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# 4: Legal and reputation risks



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## One in five cases of ESG risks linked to greenwashing

One in every five cases of corporate risk incidents linked to environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues stems from greenwashing and misleading communications, new research has found.

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## 5: Training expectations

- Significant need for training – the topic is new for everyone and still evolving
- Foundation training to be delivered across the organisations
- Technical deep dives not just for the specialised teams
- Key objective to align senior management and staff – from Board to all staff sessions
- Moving landscape need permanently updated content
- Technical needs complemented by regulatory pressure
- A top priority for the Risk and L&D teams





# Q & A

Thank you