Guide for Adaptation and Resilience Finance

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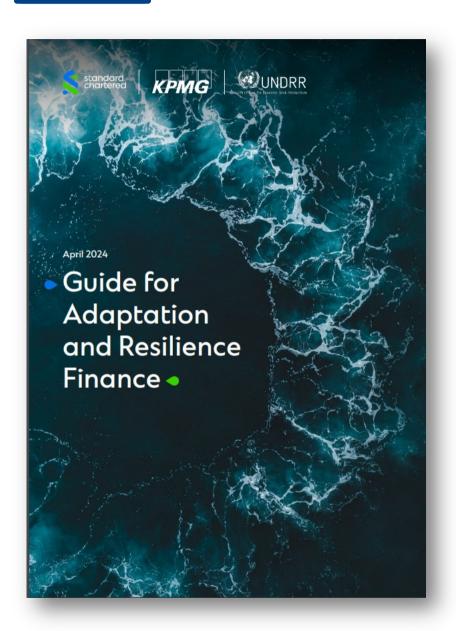
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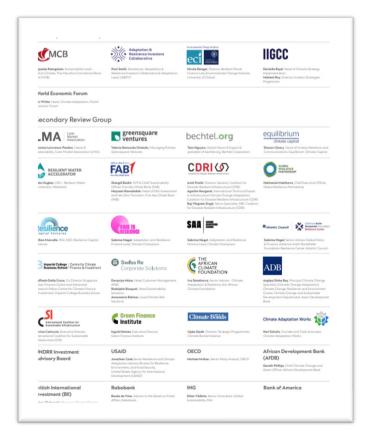




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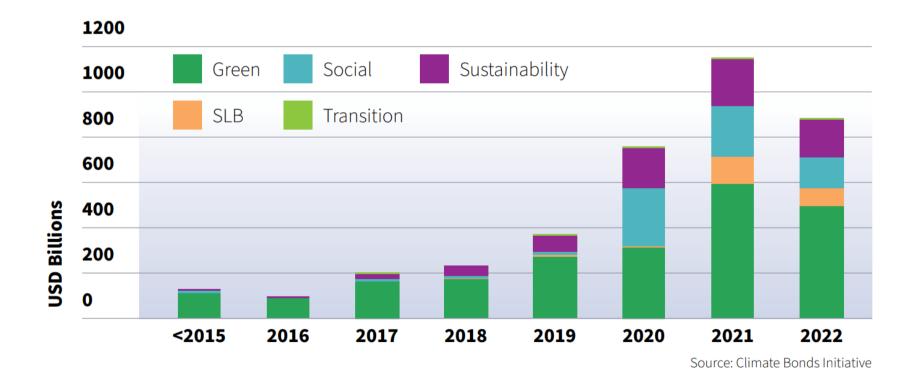
- Responds to the call from governments for engaging the private sector to scale up investment in DRR and promoting the development of innovative instruments and tools to finance DRR
- Developed with 20+ leading financial institutions, Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), and NGOs



Private investment: Capital markets

 More than US\$ 3.7 trillion of finance channeled through green, social, sustainability, sustainability-linked and transition (GSS+) bonds

Only 19% have some degree of climate resilience-related use of proceeds (UoP)



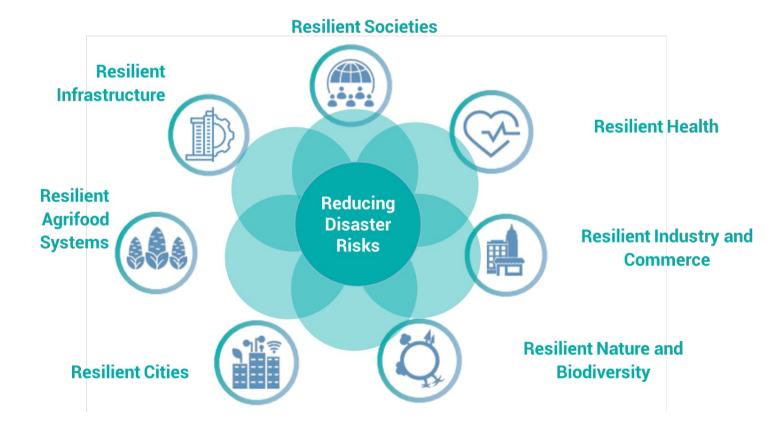
Barriers to private investment

- Short-term perspectives and market inefficiencies that affect the accurate pricing and adequate consideration of hazards and disaster-related risks.
- Lack of country-specific data and asset-level data on natural hazards and climate risk which impedes informed investment decisions.
- Insufficient actions by financial regulators and policymakers to incorporate climate-related risks into their activities and policies.
- Absence of common market language, standard definitions and classification frameworks for adaptation and resilience-building investments and transactions.
- (Perceived) limited revenue streams for adaptation and resilience investments.

Fill a gap in the market

- The Guide sets out for the first time eligible financeable activities and guidance on what constitutes adaptation and resilience investment.
- It maps over 100
 investable activities
 for adaptation and
 resilience, across 7
 broad themes.
- It creates a common language and standard for financial actors that was lacking and includes a list of indicators.

7 broad themes



Decision tree for eligible investment

Does the investment align with one of the key resilience themes?



Does the investment make a **substantial contribution** to adaptation and resilience?



Is the potential for maladaptation / significant harm to other sustainability objectives adequately mitigated?



Additional checks



Is the investment consistent with nationally or locally defined adaptation and resilience strategies/plans?



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Use cases

Overall, the guide provides the necessary framework that will enable:

- Banks and asset managers to develop dedicated financial instruments such as loans and investment funds targeting adaptation and resilience. For example, banks can develop specific lending activities for adaptation and resilience.
- **Investors willing to invest in disaster resilience** to identify credible investment products since there is now a standard that gives confidence that their money is being used in a way that aligns with their resilience-building objectives.
- Banks, pension funds, and other financial actors to report and set targets
 about the share of their lending/investment portfolios allocated to this priority.
- Policymakers to create incentives and support mechanisms (e.g., guarantees) to leverage credible private investment in this area.

Thank you for your attention

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