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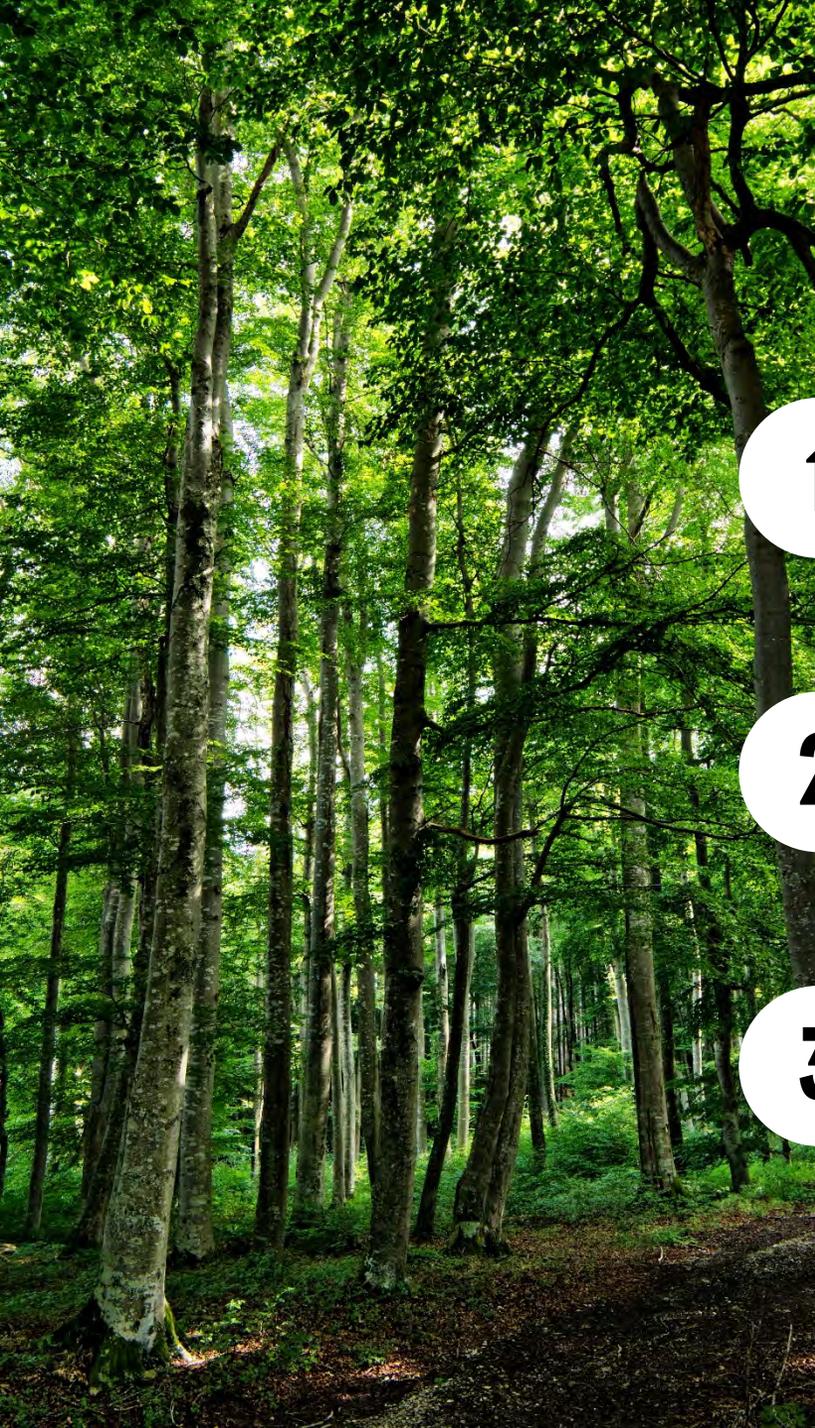
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A young fern sprout with several delicate, feathery fronds is growing out of a bed of moss and pine needles on a forest floor. The background is a soft-focus green forest with sunlight filtering through the trees, creating a bokeh effect.

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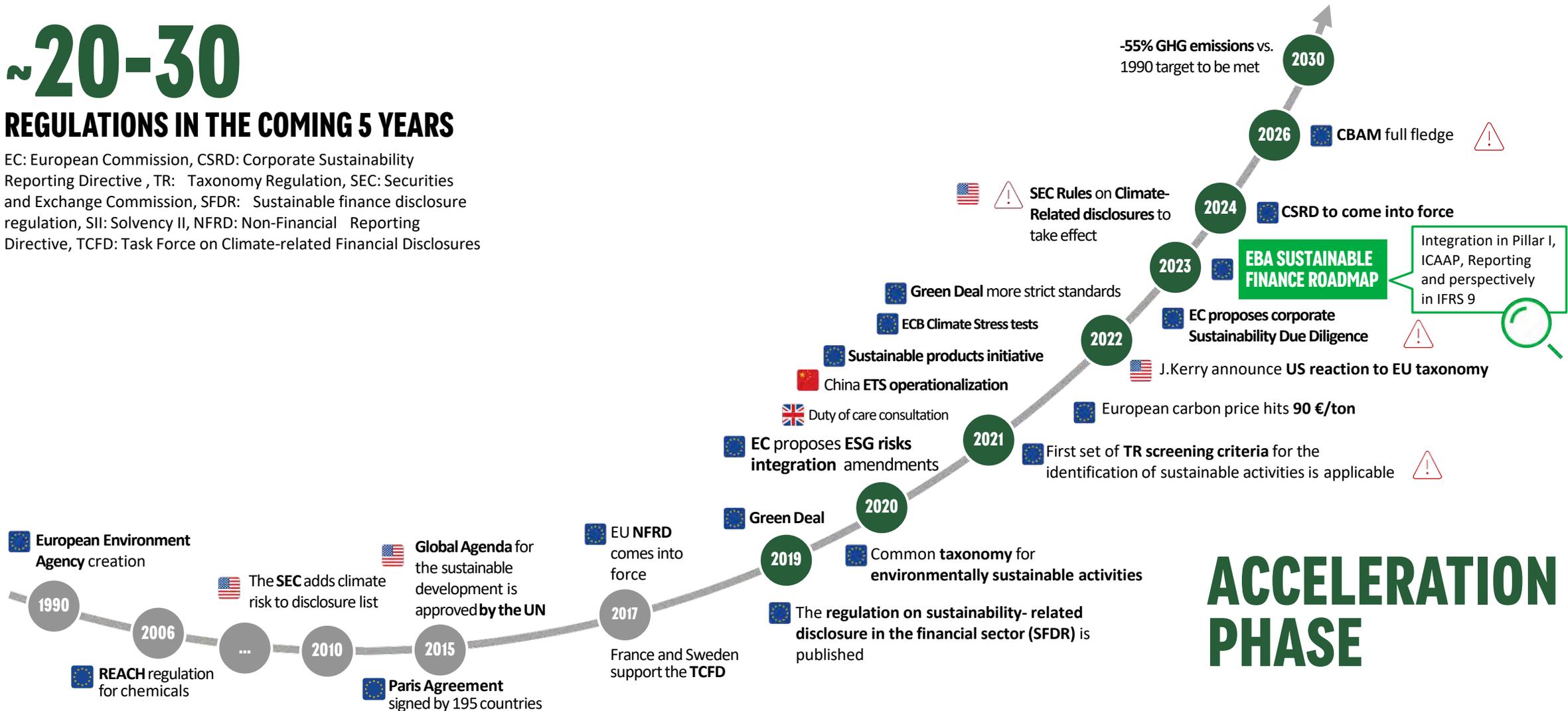
REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

ESG REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE AND ESPECIALLY IN THE EU ARE INCREASING RAPIDLY

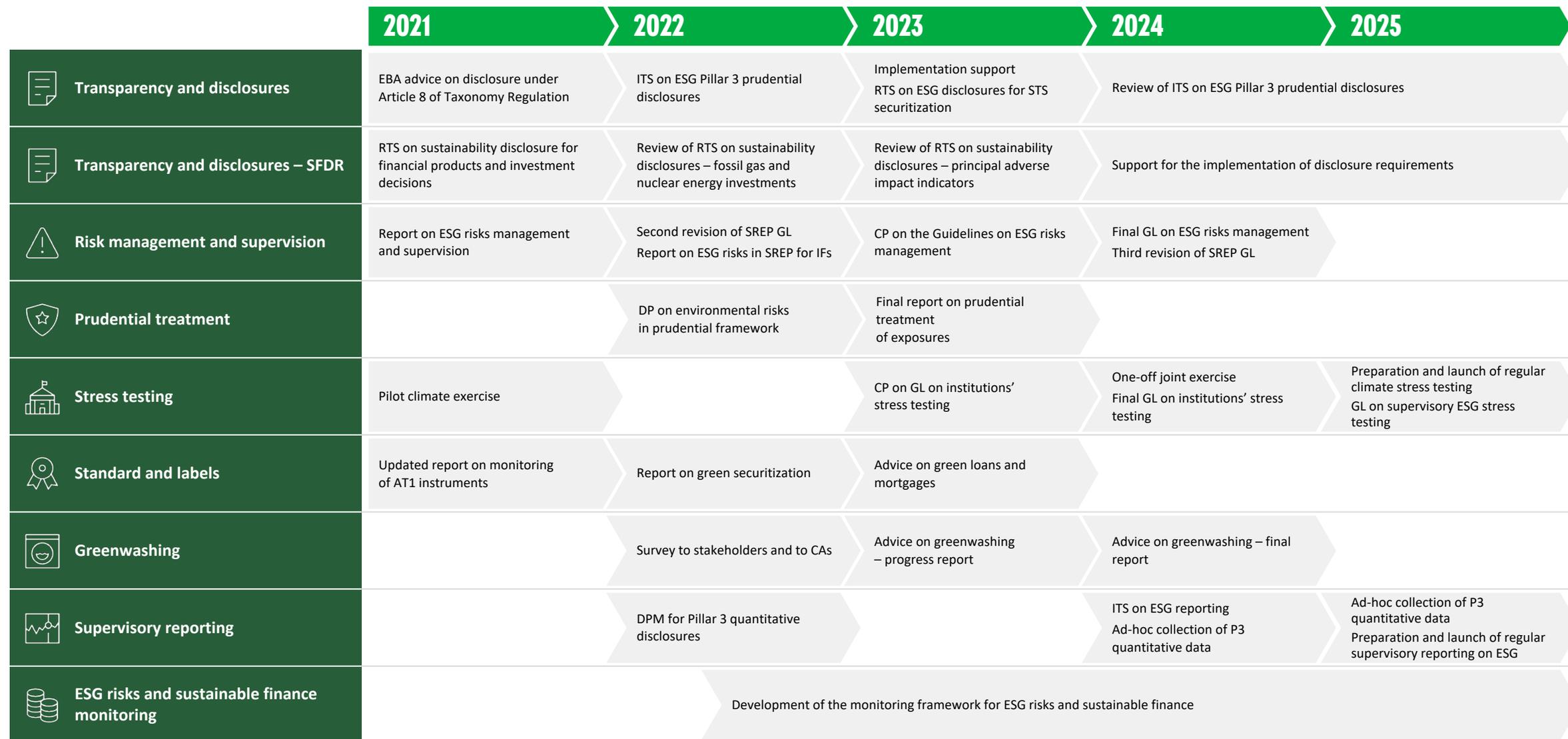
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REGULATIONS IN THE COMING 5 YEARS

EC: European Commission, CSRD: Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive, TR: Taxonomy Regulation, SEC: Securities and Exchange Commission, SFDR: Sustainable finance disclosure regulation, SII: Solvency II, NFRD: Non-Financial Reporting Directive, TCFD: Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures



THE EBA SUSTAINABLE FINANCE IS OVERARCHING SHOWING A CLEAR TREND OF INCORPORATING ESG IN THE ENTIRE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK



Source: EBA Roadmap on sustainable finance

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OW GLOBAL NATURE STUDY

FROM THE ECB 2022 REPORT, EMERGING OR LEADING PRACTICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RISK MANAGEMENT SIGNIFICANTLY LAGS BEHIND CLIMATE

SUMMARY OF WALKING THE TALK (ECB REPORT)



State of environmental risk management

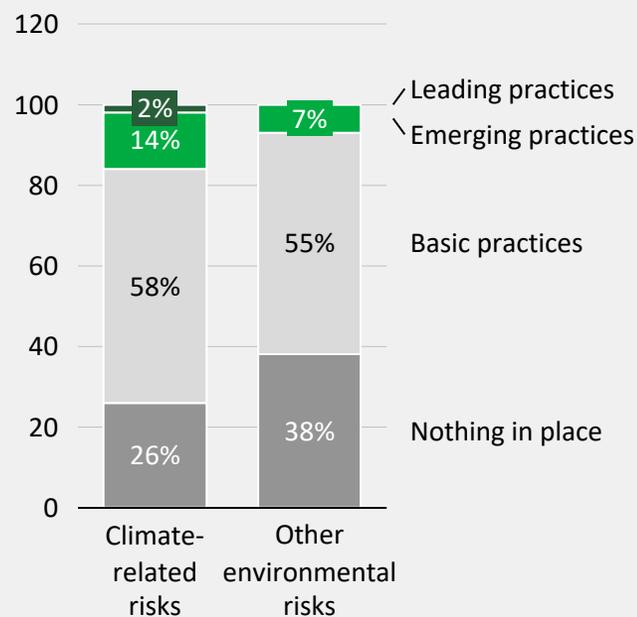
- Standard blueprint follows climate risk management
 - A. Assess high-level physical and transition risks
 - B. Develop inclusion and exclusion criteria
 - C. Build on foundation with heatmapping, due diligence, client-level impact assessments, etc.
- Environmental vs climate-related – *see chart at right*
 - Less than half as many financial institutions show **emerging or leading practices in environmental risk materiality assessment (7% vs 16%)**
 - Basic practices are comparable (55% vs 58%)

Best practices for environmental risk management

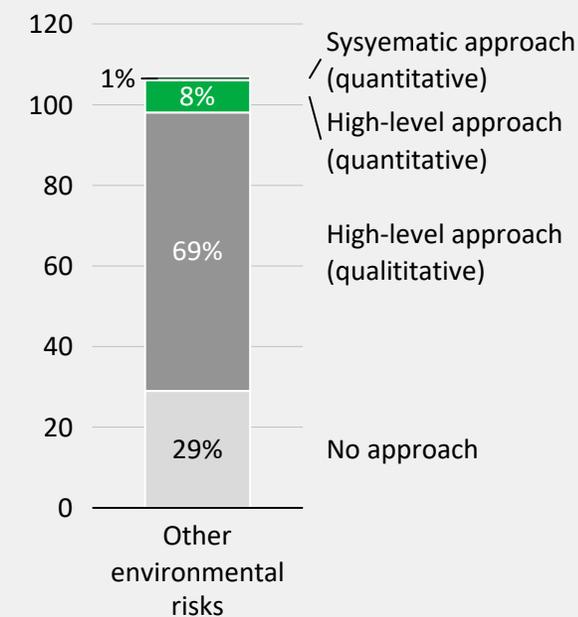
- For **exclusion approach**: use available treaties and certifications to set negative and positive criteria
- For **due diligence**: include both impacts and dependencies across environmental areas – biodiversity, pollution, water stress, etc.
- For **risk measurement**: strategic middle-term target of net positive biodiversity impact, monitored through avoidant and positive-impact targets

Walking the Talk (ECB Report): Emerging or leading practices for environmental risk management significantly lags behind climate

The assessment of materiality for climate risks and other environmental risks
% of institutions

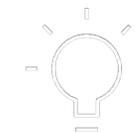


Approaches to managing other environmental risks
% of institutions



Source: Walking the Talk ECB report; Notes: Sample of 107 institutions that were within the scope of the 2022 thematic review on climate-related and environmental risks. For the assessment of the materiality of climate-related risks (left panel), the average is taken across all five risk types (credit, market, liquidity, operational and strategic risk).

FROM THE BENCHMARKING EXERCISE, WE HAVE OBSERVED COMMON THEMES ACROSS FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS GLOBALLY



Europe had a head start in nature

Similar to climate, European financial institutions are generally further along on environmental risk management.

We can likely attribute this to a stricter regulatory environment, especially the ECB requirement to conduct an initial environmental risk materiality assessment by year end 2022.



Domestic/regional banks are leading the way

All of the European regional banks respondents have conducted/conducting an initial environmental risk materiality assessment. Most are also progressing with environmental policy updates and starting to leverage ERMA findings for risk management and corporate strategy.

Overall, development banks showed more progress to nature-positive targets and have allocated a higher number of resources towards nature issues.



The road to robust nature risk management is untraveled

75% of respondents have conducted or are conducting an initial nature risk materiality assessment. But there is still a long way to go with incorporating time horizon considerations, integration of environmental taxonomy, and bridging the data gap for location specificity.

Few have applied findings across TNFD pillars, leaving room for improvement on accountabilities and metrics used, to name a few



Roadblocks for those behind the curve

For the remaining 25% of respondents without a well-progressed risk management vision, 3 foundational gaps stood out: allocating resources to nature/environment, understanding existing guidance (e.g. double materiality of nature) and defining a fit-for-purpose environmental risk taxonomy.

Without these early steps, it's difficult to assess environment/nature risk hotspots.

A lush green forest with a stream flowing through mossy rocks. The scene is filled with vibrant green foliage, including ferns and various trees, creating a serene and natural atmosphere. The stream is shallow and flows over large, moss-covered boulders.

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PRICING AND CREDIT DECISIONING

EMBEDDING ESG COMPONENTS INTO CREDIT DECISION MAKING

NEW COMPONENTS EXISTING FRAMEWORK

ESG COMPONENTS

Financial risk

Expected and unexpected physical and transition risks

Reputational risk

Greenwashing and conduct

Funding cost impact

Use for green bonds, social-linked bonds, etc.

NEW COMPONENTS NEW FRAMEWORK

Net-Zero Targets contribution

Contribution of credit to net-zero pathways

Sustainability target contribution

Contribution of credit to sustainable lending commitments

Revenue

New lending opportunity due to transition funding demand

EMBEDDING



Incorporate into existing credit decision framework

Risks will eventually be incorporated in ratings, provisions, stressed capital
Funding cost impact incorporated via FTP
Short term solutions will differ



Requires new methodology

E.g. “ESG charge”: Internal charging/benefit mechanism based on transition plan assessment and carbon intensity or ESG score

EXPLAINING THE "ESG CHARGE": CLIENT ARCHETYPES

