UN Climate Action Summit: Resilience and Adaptation strand
Coalition for Climate Resilient Investment (CCRI)

Goal: to transform infrastructure investment by integrating climate risks into decision-making, driving a shift toward a more climate resilient economy for all countries, including the most vulnerable. Building the economic and financial case for climate resilient investments will mobilise capital into resilient infrastructure and foster a more resilient financial industry.

Context
The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change estimates $69 trillion in financial losses by 2100 from climate impacts. This year the CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project) reported that the private sector is set to face $1 trillion in losses in the next 5 years, with the financial services industry accounting for 80% of that exposure. The imperative to both invest in climate resilience, and make the financial system more climate resilient, has never been starker.

Emergent research estimates that an average of 3% additional upfront capital investment would be required to build resilience into infrastructure. With similar exercises concluding that every dollar invested in resilience, can generate 4 dollars of economic value. More research is required but these findings point towards a robust financial case for investments in resilience. Despite the scale of the challenge, the rapid advancement of climate analytics and financial innovation, alongside growing pressure to foster a more resilient financial industry, presents the global community with a real opportunity to deliver climate resilience.

To date there has not been a concerted cross-industry effort that engages with climate resilience. This Coalition aims to change that by convening different sectors and industries in support of creating the frameworks and tools to price climate risks and facilitate resilience investments. The Coalition will lead the way, driving systemic shift that facilitates greater capital investment in resilience across the world.

Structure and governance
A first-of-its kind private sector led coalition, the Coalition for Climate Resilient Investment, is comprised of companies from across the investment value chain with US$8 trillion of assets under management, alongside Governments and multilateral organisations.

The Coalition will be governed by a high-level board and a senior executive level committee, supported by technical working groups and a modest secretariat. The membership will include:
- Industry leaders including institutional investors, lending institutions, credit rating agencies, insurers and engineering firms
- Multilateral Development Banks, International Finance Institutions and International Organisations
- Governments representing developing, emerging and developed economies.

Outcomes
1. A strengthened market for private and public-sector investment in climate resilient infrastructure
2. Reduced climate risk resulting from a shift in the flow of investment towards climate resilient infrastructure
3. Support for climate vulnerable geographies to attract investment and prevent capital flight as climate risks become more evident

Ask
To join the coalition, private sector actors, multilateral organisations and governments are required to endorse the vision statement which will be made public to mark the formal launch of the coalition in conjunction with the Climate Summit. To express interest in joining the coalition please email the contacts listed below.

Roadmap for the Coalition
The Coalition will be launched in September 2019 in conjunction with the UN Climate Action Summit.

Members will convene in parallel with established policy and financial events such as the World Economic Forum’s Annual Meeting at Davos, the WB/IMF Annual and Spring Meetings, the Infrastructure Investors Global Summit, and COP25 and 26.

Through to the end of 2019, the Coalition will develop case studies to build the business case and identify the critical enabling environments for climate resilient infrastructure investment. By COP26 in 2020 analytical tools including a physical risk pricing framework and methodology to prioritise national resilient investment needs, will be developed, alongside a range of instruments to prevent capital flight from the most vulnerable regions, such as a technology transfer programmes, technical assistance facilities and/or blended finance facilities. Going forward, innovative capital market instruments such as Resilience Bonds will be structured, and the pricing framework will be implemented across resilient infrastructure investment funds. Six country pilot projects will trial these innovations, protecting economies and citizens’ lives from growing climate impacts.

The coalition will work in close collaboration with other related initiatives such as the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) and the Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action

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