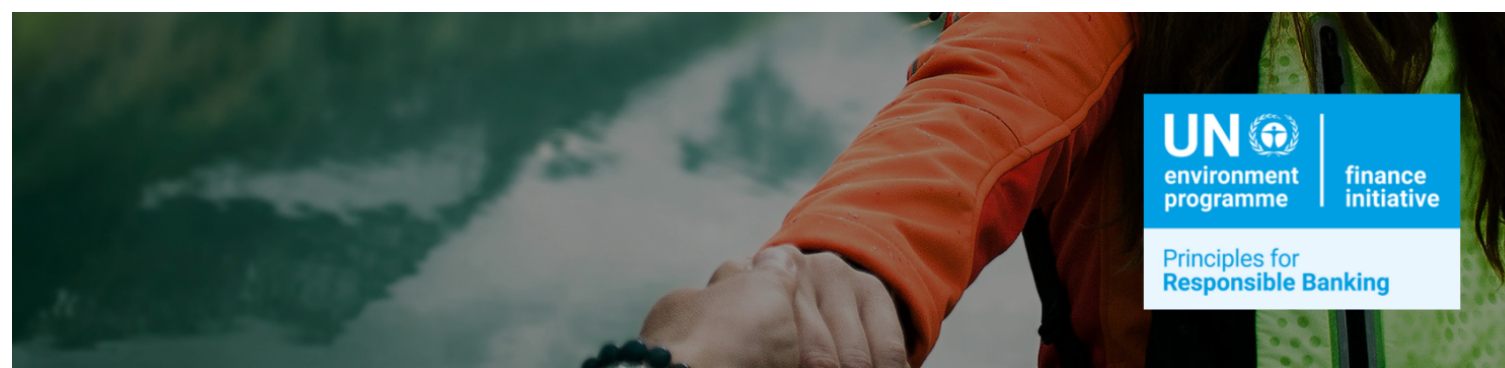


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Principles for Responsible Banking Update

Dear UNEP FI Team,

In this month's update, we feature opportunities for member banks to join the Human Rights Community of Practice and the PRB Academy Advisory Committee, we announce appointments to the Banking Board, and encourage you to attend our capacity-building activities on impact analysis, climate risk, and target setting.

Join the Human Rights Community of Practice to learn from peers and build capacity. Contact [Joana Pedro](#) to learn more.

UNEP FI Regional Roundtable Europe
12-13 September | Madrid, Spain
Register for both in-person or virtual attendance [here](#).

Join banks working on human-rights related topics and issues

Launched on 30 May, the UNEP FI Human Rights Community of Practice is a forum for discussing human rights-related topics and to facilitate peer sharing of best practice and current human-rights related risks faced by group members. The group will meet virtually four times per year on a quarterly basis and be given an opportunity to provide strategic guidance to UNEP FI's human rights-related work. We encourage you to take part in the community of practice by nominating one main organisational representative.

Contact [Joana Pedro](#) to learn more.

Join the PRB Academy Advisory Committee: nominations are open now

The [Principles for Responsible Banking \(PRB\) Academy](#) is a training programme specifically designed to help banks and bankers implement the UN Principles for Responsible Banking. This year, UNEP FI is planning to update the course materials and develop two more modules on biodiversity and nature-related subjects, alongside exploring the possibility of delivering the course in other languages. UNEP FI is establishing the PRB Academy Advisory Committee to help with this work. Nominate yourself to be part of the committee which will meet every three months via conference call. If your institution is interested in joining, please contact [Carolina Yazmin Lopez Garcia](#) with the contact details of your focal point including your motivation, relevant expertise and function by **16 August**.

UNEP FI Banking Board: New appointments to the banking membership's governance body

The Board oversees the effective implementation of the PRB and signatory banks' contribution to the achievement of UNEP FI's overall strategic objective and we are pleased to announce the following new appointments. **Dimitrios Dimopoulos**, Head of ESG at Piraeus Bank in Greece, now joins Siobhan Toohill as Co-chair of the Board. **Boitumelo Sethlatswe**, Head of Societal Impact at Standard Bank Group, joins the Board as the new member representative for Sub-Saharan Africa. And **Jonathan Fowle**, Chief External Relations Officer and Head of Impact Strategy at Vancity, joins as the new member representing North America. These appointments bring valuable expertise and sustainable banking leadership to the Board as it guides the next stage of the PRB framework's development in driving a positive global transition for people and the planet.

UNEP FI Regional Roundtable Europe

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The UNEP FI Regional Roundtable Europe consistently serves as a convening platform for finance leaders to collaboratively shape the future of sustainable finance in the region. Over 500 finance professionals will explore important topics for the region such as climate and nature risk, financing the net zero transition, regulation affecting sustainability integration in the finance industry, and those further out on the horizon like circularity and plastics. Confirmed speakers include chairpersons from BBVA, CaixaBank, MAPFRE and Santander. Register [here](#).

Recent launches

Helping banks set gender equality targets

We recently launched a new framework to help PRB members set clear and specific targets around gender equality. If you missed the webinar, catch up on the recording [here](#).

PRB members can access the full gender equality framework, including example of gender indicators [here](#) (password: unepfi). You are also invited to comment on the framework using [this link](#). If you need additional guidance in setting gender targets, please contact [Laura Diaz](#).

The 2023 Climate Risk Landscape

The report explores the major market trends in physical risk and transition risk tools and provides detailed analysis on dozens of individual tools. Access the full report [here](#).

Capacity Building

Impact analysis implementation support session – Africa & Middle East

Join us to get support with the implementation of the impact analysis requirements of the Principles for Responsible Banking with a focus on the locally determined aspects of the impact analysis such as the ongoing needs assessment, industry classification codes and taxonomies. Regional challenges surrounding context and portfolio analysis will be discussed.

- 29 August 2023 | [10.00 am CET](#) | Register [here](#) for the session
- Full implementation support calendar available [here](#)

UNEP FI's Climate Risk Programme is offering new modules

The [Climate Risk Programme](#) is running a number of modules in the fourth quarter including legal risks & greenwashing, NGFS climate scenarios, best practices in climate risk management, real estate climate risks and opportunities, and demos of climate assessment tools. If you are interested in joining, please get in touch with [David Carlin](#) by 8 September.

UNEP FI Members Online Portal

Continue updating and managing the contact details of your bank's representatives who work with us, using our centralised platform.

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Welcome to our new members!

Join us in welcoming our newest member, Bancaribe!



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