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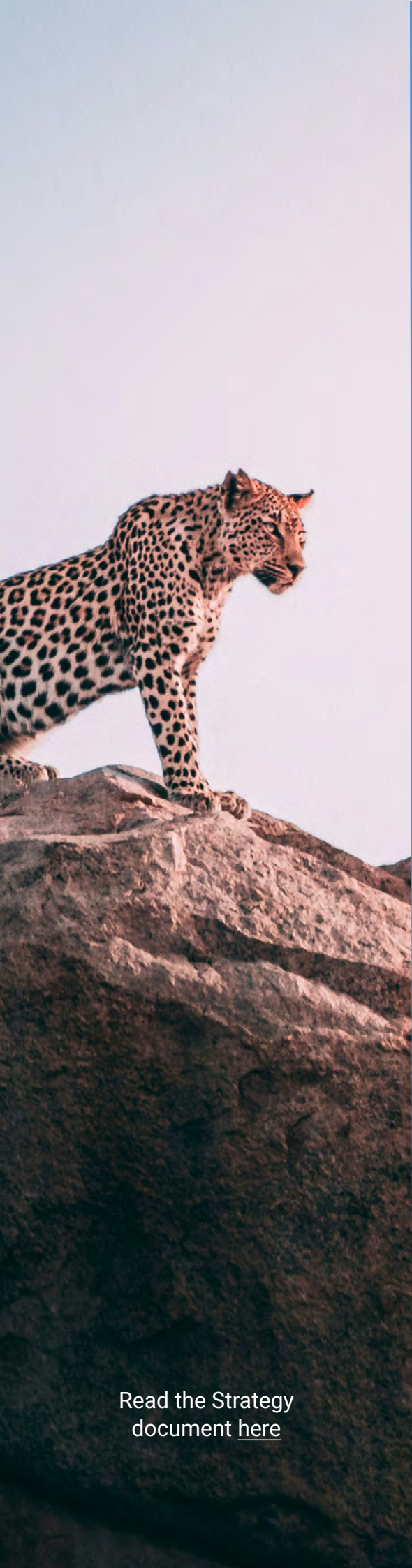
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UNEP FI strategy 2026–2029

Every four years, UNEP FI reviews its strategy, analyzes context and trends, and engages with members and key stakeholders to identify priorities and strategic drivers that support responsible banking and sustainable insurance. For the 2026–29 strategy, a survey was conducted with over 250 members and key stakeholders. Interviews were also conducted with more than 30 external stakeholders, representing a total of 66 countries across five regions. The governance bodies at UNEP FI, consisting of member banks and insurers, also played a strategic advisory role in this process.

Through UNEP FI, UNEP partners with financial institutions to develop norms, tools, and resources that drive institutional change and shape sustainable finance. In parallel, UNEP FI also drives systems change and fosters enabling conditions in service of the broader mission to mobilize and align private finance to help achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Vision

A global financial sector that positively impacts and serves people and the planet, strengthening resilience, fostering inclusive economies and contributing to society's goals, expressed in the UN Sustainable Development Goals and regional/national objectives.

Mission

To inspire, inform, and facilitate responsible banking and sustainable insurance to foster responsible business, resilience, and inclusive economies.

Read the Strategy
document [here](#)



How the UNEP FI strategy is organized

Systems change

Enabling environments through norms, standards, regulations, public policies, and other drivers to facilitate the global financial system's contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Institutional change

Supporting financial institutions to improve their function as responsible and sustainable banks and insurers, by managing sustainability risks, opportunities and impacts and integrating sustainability considerations in business strategies.

Five strategic drivers

Driver 1: Community of leading responsible banks and sustainable insurers

Driver 2: Members' implementation

Driver 3: Global programme, regional delivery

Driver 4: Policy, regulation and standards setters' engagement

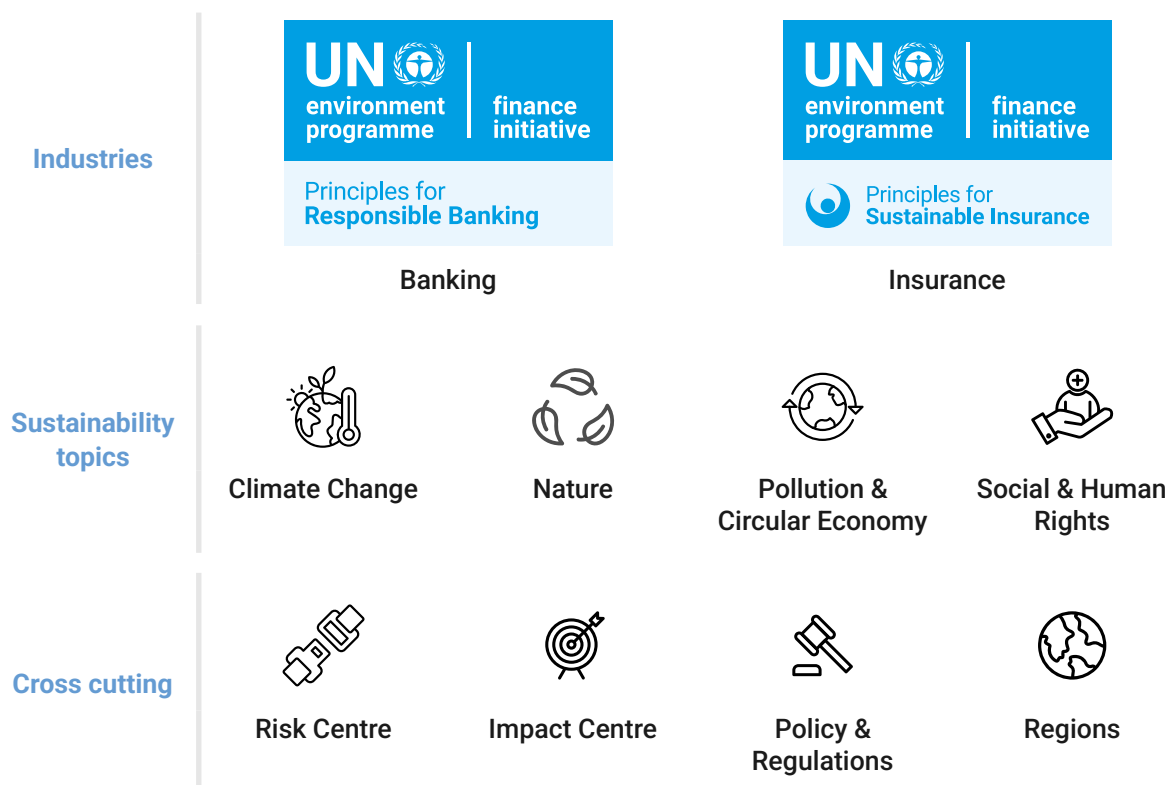
Driver 5: Multi-stakeholders' convening

UNEP FI will fulfil its mission by implementing its strategy and the five strategic drivers through its frameworks and Secretariat organized across industries, sustainability topics, cross-cutting functions, and regions.

The Principles for Responsible Banking and the Principles for Sustainable Insurance are the main frameworks to support the global finance sector to catalyze integration of sustainability into financial market practice.

We launch a work programme annually with priorities and key activities that members can engage with and resources that they have access to.

UNEP FI will fulfil its mission by implementing its strategy through a Secretariat with more than 150 experts organized across industries, sustainability topics, cross-cutting functions, and regions.



Benefits of UNEP FI membership

- **Access to global expertise** that helps financial institutions embed sustainability into their activities, identify trends and business opportunities, and manage their risks and impacts to accelerate the transition to an inclusive, low-carbon, and nature-positive future.
- **Opportunities to contribute to the development of comprehensive and cutting-edge frameworks, guidance, methodologies, research, and tools**—empowering members to demonstrate leadership, set norms and translate their commitments into action.
- **Participation in forums and communities that develop industry-wide best practices, encourage peer learning** and enable members to build value, improve efficiencies and accelerate action on sustainable finance at a global and regional level.
- **Tailored support with local and regional contexts** to assist members of any size with regulatory and sustainability framework implementation, as well as engagement with principal stakeholders, policymakers and key sectors.
- **Engagement with a UN platform** that convenes over 550 financial institutions and provides access to technical experts and key stakeholders from across the financial system, to **create an enabling environment that** accelerates the real economy transition and creates systems change.

Get involved

Workstreams to develop and produce resources which support implementation or co-create cutting-edge resources for different impact areas

Pilot groups to test the applicability and usability of produced materials, to refine existing guidance documents or approaches developed

Publications, guidelines, research, tools, and resources to shape the agenda and support financial institutions in their journey

Peer learning activities through communities of practice and case studies

Workshops and technical support at the global and regional level

Learning and development activities to upskill your organization

Global and regional webinars to access a wide range of UNEP FI resources and experts

Roundtables, events, and UN conferences to network with peers and key stakeholders, and provide input into global negotiations

This work programme outlines the priorities to support members in 2026, in line with the UNEP FI Strategy 2026–29.

All UNEP FI members have the option to join activities and have access to a variety of UNEP FI resources.

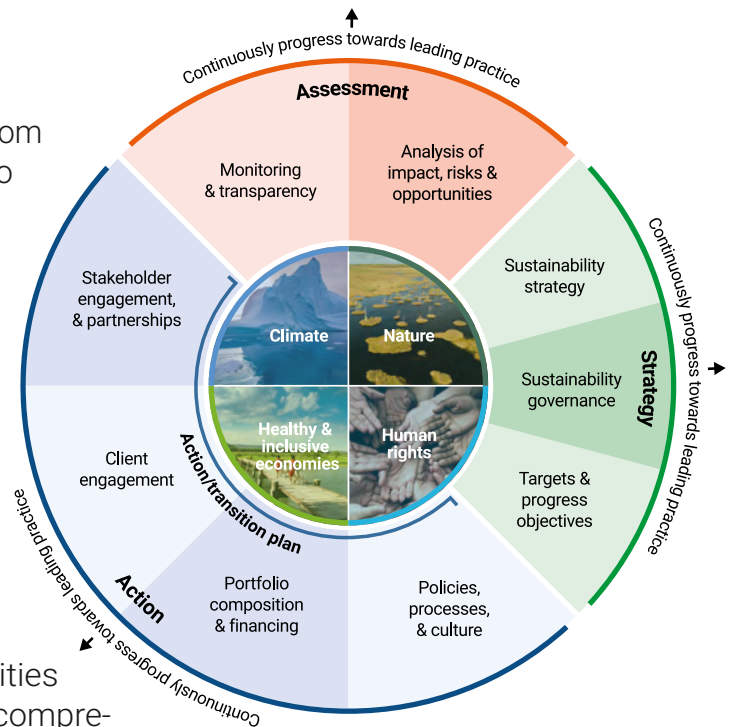
Principles for Responsible Banking Signatories also have access to regular one-to-one expert feedback and support.

Note: UNEP FI initiatives and activities are funded by membership fees, additional fees (Forum for Insurance Transition (FIT), UNEP FI Risk Centre Research Programme), and donor funding from government and philanthropic sources.

1. Banking

UNEP FI supports banks in advancing from foundational to leading practices and to drive innovation and shape good practice across all four interconnected PRB priority areas (climate, nature, healthy and inclusive economies, and human rights). The Responsible Banking Journey helps banks to increase operational resilience, ensure institutional futureproofing, and realize commercial growth—whilst driving positive change for people and planet.

For 2026, UNEP FI will have two priorities for its banking work. Beyond these, a comprehensive programme to support banking members in progressing from foundational to leading Responsible Banking practice is detailed in the subsequent pages.



Help banks to (better) support clients' sustainable transition. This includes engaging with **commercial/client-facing teams** within banks and will be delivered through our flagship workstreams, which support clients' sustainable transition.



Convene, collaborate, and build regular strategic dialogues with key regulators, support and facilitate engagement with policymakers, further build a partnership with data providers on business case and indicators for real-world impact, and strengthen the positioning of PRB towards investors.

Plan your involvement

Main activities and resources that your bank will have access to and/or engage with:

Description	Activity type
Client engagement and Business Opportunities	
Supporting Clients' Sustainable Transition Worktrack that will focus on banks' clients and customers. It will deliver an integrated approach across the impact areas with four workstreams: 1. Essentials of Client Engagement 2 & 3. Sectoral Opportunities: Growth Sectors (2) and Transition Sectors (3) 4. Supporting SME Clients in their Sustainability Journey.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Workstreams ▪ Publications ▪ Peer learning ▪ Workshops/ technical support
Peer Learning	
Communities of Practice Opportunities for peer learning and case studies on Climate, Nature, Circular Economy, Healthy and Inclusive Economies, Human Rights, and Just Transition (more details in the Banking Workplan and PRB members area).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Peer learning
Risk Management	
Risk Centre All members benefit from access to good practice and resources on sustainability risk assessment, management and disclosure, guidance on established methodologies to assess and manage risks related to clients and portfolios, and insights into emerging approaches to environmental and social risk management. Resources are accessed via implementation programmes and in the Resources Library . The Risk Centre also offers an option to participate for a supplemental fee in an advanced research programme with access to technical research and in-depth exploration to enhance sustainability risk capabilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Publications ▪ Workshops/ technical support
Impact Management	
Impact Management Implementation Support Updated impact management resources, development of a toolkit to define and track SDG contribution and alignment, and implementation support for members.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Workstreams ▪ Pilot groups ▪ Publications ▪ Workshops/ technical support
Interoperability Package Updated UNEP FI/ESRS Interoperability Package, and development of a similar toolkit considering China's regulatory framework.	

Description	Activity type
Climate	
Sector-level briefing notes Workstream to develop real economy, sectoral policy and technical papers, promote peer exchange and deep dive into sector-specific target setting and transition risk appraisals.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Workstreams▪ Publications▪ Peer learning▪ Workshops/ technical support
Transition Finance and Technical Support Workstream with desk-based research and market engagement on Transition Finance topics (e.g. tools, metrics, methodologies) looking to share good practices and identify additional approaches to support members’ achievement of their climate and other sustainability targets.	
Adaptation & Resilience (A&R) finance mobilization Resources to raise awareness, data research and policy recommendations for climate adaptation and resilience, impact measurement, taxonomies and other relevant frameworks. Additionally, collaboration with DFIs to mobilize resources.	
Nature	
Nature Journey A new resource to provide banks with a clear roadmap to integrate nature into risk, strategy, and decision-making.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Workstreams▪ Publications▪ Pilot groups
Nature from risk, target setting to scaling private finance Pilot, Workstream and resources for risk assessment, target setting, tracking nature finance, and scaling private sector investment into nature restoration and nature-based solutions.	
Healthy and Inclusive Economies	
Healthy and Inclusive economies support Implementation support on targets and action plans to achieve healthier and inclusive economies, particularly in the areas of financial health and inclusion, gender equality and decent work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Workshops/ technical support
Human Rights	
Just Transition and Human rights Resources to raise awareness and build capacities about Just Transition and how to align with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs). Includes enhancing the section of the UNEP FI Human Rights toolkit that refers to Heightened Human Rights Due Diligence in Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas (CAHRAs).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Publications▪ Workshops/ technical support▪ Webinars

Description	Activity type
Pollution and Circular Economy	
Circular Economy as an Enabler for Responsible Banking Pilot with banks, multilateral development banks (MDBs) and other stakeholders to integrate circular economy into action plans for climate in selected key sectors (e.g. agriculture, textiles, plastics, buildings and construction, minerals and metals). Development of guidance on interlinkages between circular economy and other impact areas is also included.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Workstreams▪ Pilot groups▪ Publications
Pollution Guidance Pilot the pollution guidance in the agriculture sector to test its usability and enhance it. It will also integrate circular economy thinking—leveraging the Guidance on Circular Economy as an Enabler for Responsible Banking in the Agriculture Sector, and support implementation of the Global Framework on Chemicals.	
Responsible AI	
Artificial Intelligence and its implications for banking has been raised as a topic for exploration. Desktop analysis by the Secretariat will include environmental, social, and governance-related implications for the usage of AI, as well as risks and associated opportunities. Based on outcomes, members will be consulted and next steps may include developing a project plan and determining UNEP FI's contribution.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Publication

Detailed activities will be available at the beginning of 2026, and your bank will be able to register in the members' area.

2. Insurance

PSI's vision is of a risk-aware world in which the insurance industry is trusted and plays a leading role in enabling a healthy, safe, resilient, and sustainable society. The purpose is to better understand, prevent and reduce sustainability risks, and better manage opportunities to provide quality and reliable risk protection.

Principles for Sustainable Insurance (PSI) Initiative

For 2026, the proposed priorities are:

- ▶ Advance adaptation and resilience agenda through risk reduction and insurance
- ▶ Advance nature-positive practices in insurance
- ▶ Support and promote sustainable insurance adoption and implementation
- ▶ Facilitate knowledge exchange and convene key stakeholders

Plan your involvement

Activities and resources that your organization may follow or benefit from:

Description	Activity type
Climate	
Adaptation and resilience Activities aiming to elevate the insurance sector's leadership in contributing to and advancing climate adaptation and resilience. It will draw on member experience and expertise to develop insights and resources. The workstream will also explore opportunities for deeper engagement with the broader financial and public sectors to amplify awareness of insurance as a pivotal enabler of adaptation and resilience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Publication ■ Peer learning
Nature	
Insurance practices for nature positive and resilience Workstream bringing together insurers, reinsurers, brokers, technical partners, and key stakeholders to advance nature-related risk assessment and integration into underwriting and risk management frameworks, as well as exploring through knowledge sharing and discussion nature-related opportunities, including nature-based solutions for risk reduction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Publication ■ Workstreams
Implementation support	
Sustainable insurance adoption and implementation Workstream aiming to structure and provide practical learnings and implementation resources that support insurers in embedding sustainability across their core business activities and stakeholder engagements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pilot groups ■ Peer learning

Additional initiatives and opportunities for engagement:

Description	Activity type
Climate	
Adaptation and Resilience (V20 SIF for MSMEs) Vulnerable Twenty Group of Ministers of Finance V20 Sustainable Insurance Facility (SIF) that aims to help build climate-resilient micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) in Africa, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America & the Caribbean through insurance demand aggregators, such as banks and microfinance institutions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pilot ■ Workshop/technical support
Regional support	

Regional activities and networks Regional and country activities in coordination with UNEP FI Regional Teams (i.e. Africa & Middle East, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Latin America & the Caribbean, North America) and regional and country networks (e.g. Nairobi Declaration on Sustainable Insurance (NDSI) for Africa, Bogota Declaration on Sustainable Insurance (BDSI) for Latin America & the Caribbean, PSI Canadian Sustainable Insurance Taskforce).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Peer learning
Cross cutting	
Cross-cutting and other thematic Opportunities to engage in social issues and human rights, pollution and circular economy, climate adaptation, Risk Center, Impact Center, and regional activities led by UNEP FI Thematic and Regional teams.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Peer learning ▪ Events

The PSI priorities mentioned above are currently undergoing deliberation by the PSI Board. More information on the activities and opportunities for engagement will be available at the beginning of 2026.

Forum for Insurance Transition (FIT)

The Forum for Insurance Transition (FIT) is a structured dialogue and multi-stakeholder platform, led and convened by the United Nations, to support the necessary acceleration and scaling up of voluntary climate action by the insurance industry and key stakeholders. The Convenor, Chair and Spokesperson of the FIT is the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), which provides and serves as the Secretariat.

The FIT works with insurance market participants (e.g. insurers, reinsurers, re/insurance marketplaces) and engages with insurance regulators and supervisors, sustainability standard setters and initiatives, the scientific and academic community, civil society, and other key stakeholders (e.g. sustainability disclosure initiatives, real economy actors).

The FIT aims to accelerate and scale up insurance practices that support a just transition to a resilient net-zero economy.

For 2026, the key priorities are:

- ▶ Advance insurance practices that support a just transition to a resilient net-zero economy
- ▶ Convene key stakeholders for systems change

Plan your involvement

Main activities and resources that FIT organizations will have access to and/or can engage in:

Description	Activity type
<p>Transition Plans</p> <p>The FIT Transition Plan Project has produced three deliverables that form the most comprehensive, insurance-specific transition plan guidance available to date: Closing the Gap (Nov 2024), Underwriting the Transition (Jul 2025), and A Total Balance Sheet Transition (Nov 2025) (Phase 1).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The phase 2 will develop detailed, operational guidance based on stakeholder input, including illustrative examples, proportionate implementation pathways, and more granular metrics and data practices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Workstreams ▪ Publications
<p>Sector Guidance and Capacity Building</p> <p>The FIT Knowledge Hub ensures that FIT organizations have the opportunity to build their capacity on key areas related to the transition:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Theme 1. Advancing net-zero insurance frameworks 2. Theme 2. Developing transition plans 3. Theme 3. Engaging with the real economy 4. Theme 4. Insuring the transition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Workstreams ▪ Publications ▪ Workshops/technical support
<p>Convene key stakeholders for systems change</p> <p>The FIT issued a COP30 Insurance Communique: Insuring the Transition (Nov 2025) and related opportunities and activities in 2026 will be advised accordingly.</p>	

Detailed activities will be available at the beginning of 2026.

3. Regional delivery

One of UNEP FI's strategic pillars is the regional delivery of global programmes, which means providing implementation support considering regional context, while promoting peer exchange and dialogue with regional stakeholders.

Regional teams are the main focal point for members to support implementation and knowledge sharing within their regions. This provides a network and hub for innovation and expertise and the opportunity to participate in workshops, special projects, webinars and events at the regional level.

The tables below outline activities that are either region-specific or regionally delivered. Detailed activities will be available in January, and your organization will be able to register in the Regional members' area.

Plan your involvement

Africa & Middle East

Description	Activity type
Regional Implementation Support Regionally tailored workshops designed to support sustainable finance professionals implement UNEP FI frameworks covering climate mitigation, climate adaptation, nature/fresh water and financial health and inclusion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Workshops/ technical support
AME Membership Engagement Forum Structured, dynamic, and inclusive platform to promote exchange and discussions on sustainable banking and insurance solutions. Every year, members will select topics of interest and meet between 2–6 times a year with other members and external stakeholders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Peer learning
Adaptation & Resilience V20 Sustainable Insurance Facility and pilots to scale up A&R, engaging with banks, insurers, microfinance, policymakers and businesses on adaptation planning and financing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pilot GroupsWorkshops/ technical support

Asia Pacific

Description	Activity type
Regional Implementation Support Regionally tailored workshops designed to support sustainable finance professionals to implement UNEP FI frameworks covering climate mitigation, climate adaptation, nature/ and financial health and inclusion (regionally and in specific jurisdictions).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support
Client Engagement and Transition Finance Workshops and technical support to build capabilities on climate mitigation and dialogues on transition finance to discuss sectoral decarbonization and just transition with financial institutions, real economy and key stakeholders. Additionally, a working group that will convene industry associations across Australia, Japan and Singapore is available.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support
Adaptation & Resilience V20 Sustainability Insurance Facility to pilot, model and scale MSME climate resilience within national financial ecosystems (partnership with Asian Development Bank (ADB))	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot groups
Nature The Nature Reporting Preparer Forum is a capacity-building programme on nature, covering foundational concepts of nature through to the preparation of a nature report, based on TNFD's methodology, and a pilot for target setting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support
Circular Economy Webinars to raise awareness, build capacities and leverage the 2026 World Circular Economy Forum (WCEF) in India (Q4 26) and to engage APAC membership.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Events
Regulatory Implementation Support Programme Webinars to support regulatory implementation efforts, which consider key APAC regulations, ISSB standards and interoperability, as well as dialogues with local regulators and policymakers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webinars
Chinese regulation interoperability package Work track with Chinese banks to develop a package of resources to leverage UNEP FI resources in the context of their policy/regulatory requirements, in particular for DMA and transition planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workstream Publications
Taxonomies Development Development of adaptation criteria for the ASEAN taxonomy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publications

Europe

Description	Activity type
Regional Implementation Support Regionally tailored workshops designed to support finance professionals to implement UNEP FI frameworks covering client engagement, risk management, climate mitigation, nature, just transition and financial health and inclusion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support
Communities of Practices in Person Opportunities for peer learning and case studies on different topics. Members can host fellow UNEP FI members and co-design in-person workshops to showcase leadership and promote peer exchange.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning
Regulatory Implementation Support Programme Webinars to support regulatory implementation efforts, considering key CSRD/ESRS, EBA guidelines, and other key regulations and frameworks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webinars
European Energy Efficiency Financing Coalition Energy efficiency capacity building program complementing the European Energy Efficiency Coalition's activities while also evolving into a broader platform for engagement and knowledge exchange within the financial sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workstreams Workshops/ technical support
Materiality Interoperability Package Updated UNEP FI Conversion tool bridging PRB and European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publications

Latin America and Caribbean

Description	Activity type
Regional Implementation Support Regionally tailored workshops designed to support finance professionals implement UNEP FI frameworks covering client engagement, climate mitigation, just transition and healthy and inclusive economies.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support
Community of Practices Opportunities for peer learning and case studies about Nature and Circular Economy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning
Regulatory Implementation Support Programme Webinars to support regulatory implementation efforts, considering key LAC regulations, ISSB standards, and interoperability, as well as dialogues with local regulators and policymakers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webinars
Nature Nature Prepared Forum as a capacity building programme on the foundational concepts of nature until the preparation of a nature report— based on TNFD's methodology, and the Innovative Finance for Amazon, Chaco and Cerrado to mitigate deforestation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support

Description	Activity type
Adaptation & Resilience V20 Sustainable Insurance Facility and pilots to scale up A&R, engaging with banks, insurers, microfinance, policymakers and businesses on adaptation planning and financing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilot groups
Taxonomies Development Taxonomy development, comparative studies and pilots with financial institutions (Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica and Panama).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publication

North America

Description	Activity type
Regional Implementation Support Regionally tailored workshops designed to support finance professionals in implementing UNEP FI frameworks covering transition finance, affordable housing, and emerging issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning Workshops/ technical support
Community of Practices Opportunities for peer learning and case studies on Adaptation & Resilience, Nature, and Healthy and Inclusive Economies.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer learning
PSI Canada Task Force Workstream that provides PSI Canadian members and key stakeholders with opportunities to discuss good practices that advance sustainable insurance in Canada. Current priorities include climate change adaptation and mitigation, social issues, and closing the protection gap. Two active workstreams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social workstream: Work on Climate change and mental health Climate change and adaptation workstream: Sustainable Claims. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workstream

4. Learning and development

UNEP FI aims to upskill finance professionals to integrate sustainability issues into their decision-making and day-to-day activities through a wide range of learning and development activities. Training is available in different formats and languages. In 2026, training for insurers will be also developed.



PRB Academy

The Academy has been designed for large-scale delivery. UNEP FI members and non-members alike are invited to integrate the courses into organization-wide learning management systems, to enable a responsible banking culture aligned with sustainability priorities.

The PRB Academy also collaborates with local partners to adapt our training to country-specific contexts, including policy and regulatory frameworks. The programme has already launched in Brazil, Central Asia, India, Egypt, and Mexico. In 2026, it will be expanded to Ghana and UNEP FI is open to new partnerships.

Learn more: [PRB Academy](#)

Risk Management

UNEP FI offers several trainings linked to sustainability risk management that contribute to the achievement of global sustainability goals.

Learn more: [Risk Management](#)

5. Enabling environment (systems change)

Sustainable finance policy and regulation play a crucial role in mobilizing capital for sustainable development and the net-zero transition, and addressing the triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution.

UNEP FI provides resources to help its members navigate the complex and ever-changing regional and global policy and regulatory environments, and also promote policy and regulatory engagement, to foster the enabling environment for sustainable finance practices according to regional contexts.

Key priorities for 2026

- ▶ Promote the Regulatory Implementation Support Programme for Europe, Asia Pacific and Latin America & the Caribbean
- ▶ Develop real economy policy briefings for specific sectors and a toolkit for banks on real economy industrial-policy engagement in the EU
- ▶ Support taxonomy development and pilots (national and regional mandates)
- ▶ Promote coherence and interoperability across the ecosystem of sustainability standards and frameworks (e.g. interoperability packages, ISSB and Impact Management Platform)
- ▶ Systematically promote exchanges with financial regulators and policy-makers.

The United Nations plays a central role in the development, negotiation, implementation, and monitoring of multilateral agreements across a wide range of global issues.

For 2026, UNEP FI will also be actively engaged in these global discussions and convene its members to participate and demonstrate leadership in the UNEP FI Finance Days or where relevant.

- Economic and Social (ECOSOC) Forum on Financing for Development (FFD Forum): 20–24 April 2026 in New York
- The 17th Conference of the Parties (COP17) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and Finance Sector Engagement: 18–30 October 2026 in Yerevan, Armenia
- World Circular Economy Forum: Autumn 2026 in India
- The 31st Conference of the Parties (COP31) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and Finance Sector Engagement: November 2026, in Türkiye
- The Global Framework on Chemicals First International Conference, 15–20 November 2026, Geneva, Switzerland
- Future International Negotiation Committee (INC) meeting for an international agreement to end plastic pollution, once confirmed.

6. UNEP FI Global Roundtable 2026

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From Risk to Resilience: Financing the Future

The biennial UNEP FI Global Roundtable (GRT) is the premier forum shaping the sustainable finance agenda worldwide. For over three decades, this UN-convened platform has brought together the most influential voices in finance, policy, science and sustainability to accelerate the transformation of the financial system.

In 2026, UNEP FI is bringing the 19th edition of the GRT to London, to host one of the UN's largest sustainable finance-focused events during London Climate Action Week. Next year's theme, 'From Risk to Resilience: Financing the Future' reflects the growing need across the financial industry to lead with vision, integrity, and impact for a resilient future.

Day 1: High-level plenaries

- High-level dialogues, interviews and keynotes featuring leading voices from finance, policy, science and civil society. Sessions will explore the big-picture challenges and opportunities in aligning finance with sustainable development.

Day 2: Technical sessions, workshops and side-events

- Deep-dive discussions, peer exchanges, practical workshops, and sector-specific sessions held across London. Sessions and side-events will equip participants with tools, data, and strategies to implement sustainable finance in real-world contexts.

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Useful information

UNEP FI Members' area to have access to exclusive content

Members can access information on members' only activities, governance, and view copies of past editions of the member newsletter or workshops video recording. Access the UNEP FI Members' area [here](#), including dedicated sections for banking and insurance. The password across the Members' area is "unepfi"

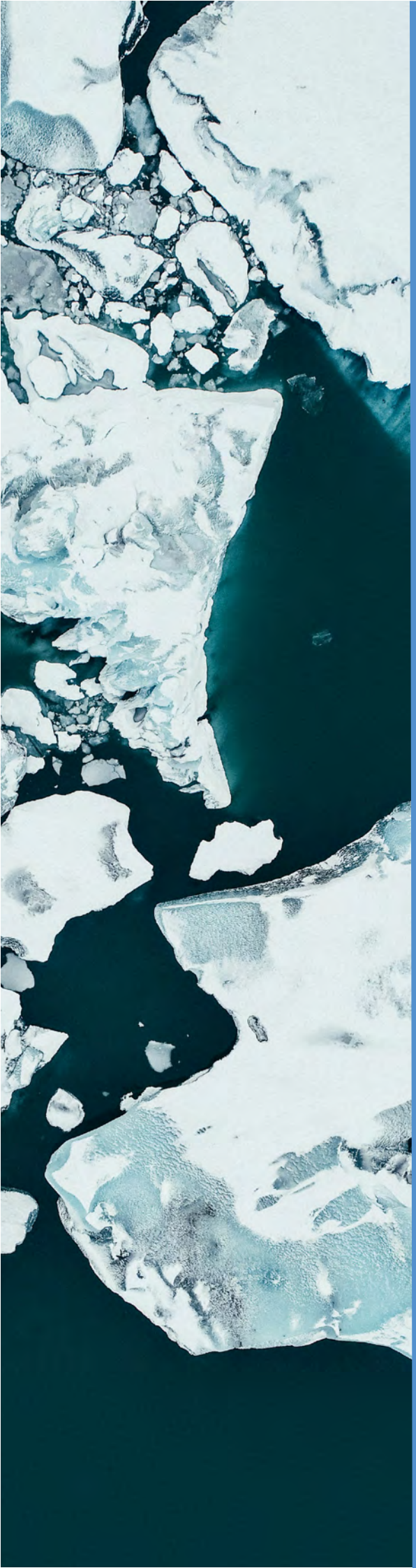
UNEP FI portal to manage your membership engagement

The [UNEP FI Members' Portal](#) is designed to improve communication and streamline member engagement. The Portal allows you to directly include, update or remove your institutional contacts. You can manage your communication preferences including ensuring you are signed up to receive UNEP FI newsletters and join workstreams.

We encourage you to either create an account or log in to update your information and manage your preferences. For questions, please refer to the [user guide](#).

Industry updates and monthly newsletters

We communicate with members on a regular basis via emails and regular industry updates and newsletters which summarize the latest developments, events and other ways to get involved with UNEP FI's work, as well as useful information such as webinar recordings and other sustainable finance news.



Update your communications preferences in the [UNEP FI Members' Portal](#).

Global webinars

You can listen to webinars and pose questions to the UNEP FI Secretariat, industry experts, and special guests such as climate scientists, as well as gain insight into the experiences of other members. They are advertised on the UNEP FI website [here](#), the members' area as well as in the members' newsletter and industry updates. We also hold webinars regularly on the BrightTALK webinar platform. Sign up to the UNEP FI channel on [BrightTALK](#) to be notified of upcoming webinars.

UNEP FI's guidance and resources

UNEP FI publishes reports and guidance that help financial institutions embed sustainability at the heart of their business strategy. Publications are sorted by industry, thematic, or region on our website. Follow the link [here](#) to explore.

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