

NZ Taxonomy Technical Expert Group (TEG) meeting #2 summary minutes

7.00pm-9.00pm NZT, Tuesday 10 December 2024 Via Microsoft Teams

Thematic focus areas per TEG meeting agenda:

For information

- CSF update
- Overview of feedback received from Australia's second public consultation
- Methodology for definitions development
- Global taxonomy examples

For discussion

- Reflections from the Australian key learnings video
- Definition of 'green' and 'transition'
- Level of ambition

Attendees:

TEG co-Chairs

- 1. Andy Reisinger, Independent Climate Change Expert
- 2. Pip Best, Partner Climate Change & Sustainability Services, EY Oceania

TEG members

- 3. Adam Coxhead, Head of Sustainable Finance, Bank of New Zealand
- 4. Caroline Poujol, Director Sustainable Finance (NZ), ANZ
- 5. David Hall, Policy Director, Toha Network
- 6. David Woods, Independent
- 7. Feng Hu, International Specialist, United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI); Founder and Director, silkroad.earth
- 8. Fonteyn Moses-Te Kani, Pou Tiaki Director Māori Strategy & Indigenous Inclusion, Westpac New Zealand
- Greg Munford, Senior Investment Strategist Sustainable Investment, New Zealand Superannuation Fund
- 10. James Paterson, Head of Sustainable Finance, ASB
- 11. Jeremie Madamour, Principal Advisor Climate Change & Sustainability Reporting, External Reporting Board (XRB)
- 12. Joanna Silver, Head of Sustainable Finance, Westpac New Zealand
- 13. Jono Broome, Associate Director Client Advisory APAC, Morningstar Sustainalytics
- 14. Jorge Waayman, Manager ESG Research, Harbour Asset Management
- 15. Julia Langley, Managing Director Switzerland & New Zealand, Green Wave Advisory
- 16. June McCabe, Independent Director; Pou Tahua Representative, National Iwi Chairs Forum (NICF)



- 17. Sean Fullan, Resilience & Recovery Manager, Insurance Council of New Zealand (ICNZ)
- 18. Stefan Gray, Manager Strategic Climate Initiatives, Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ)

Ministry for the Environment

- 19. Isobel Bruun-Kiaer, Senior Policy Advisor Sector Policy & Finance
- 20. Lauren Aspoas, Policy Advisor Sector Policy & Finance

Technical delivery partners

- 21. Matteo Bigoni, Head of Taxonomies, Climate Bonds Initiative
- 22. Pip Band, Director, Band Consulting

CSF

- 23. Nigel Gormly, Director Programs
- 24. Jessica Desmond, Project Manager
- 25. Renzhu Zhang, Analyst

Summary minutes

Welcome and overview of meeting agenda

CSF update

Provided an update on CSF stakeholder engagement plan and an overview of milestones

Overview of feedback received from Australia's second public consultation

Reflections from the Australian key learnings video

TEG reflected on the applicability of the Australian approach for NZ

Methodology for definitions development

- NZ's approach: Globally aligned/informed and locally relevant/informed
- Overview provided for:
 - o Importance of Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU) sectors
 - Development of substantial contribution criteria for climate change mitigation and decarbonisation pathways
 - o NZ greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions profile



Global taxonomy examples

• A comparison was provided of the EU, Singapore, and Australian taxonomies, including their approaches and activities lists for climate change mitigation

Discussion

- Key discussion topics:
 - Definition of 'green' and 'transition'
 - Interoperability with Australia
 - Level of ambition
 - Topics for upcoming TEG meetings

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Confirmed as a true and correct record by TEG Co-Chairs