

## 2021 Global Investor Statement to Governments on the Climate Crisis

This statement, coordinated by the seven Founding Partners of The Investor Agenda, is signed by 587 investors representing over USD \$46 trillion in assets

We stand at the beginning of a pivotal decade in which institutional investors and government leaders worldwide have the power to raise ambition and accelerate action to tackle the climate crisis. If we do not meet this challenge and change course immediately, the world could heat in excess of 3-degrees Celsius this century<sup>1</sup> – far beyond the goal of the Paris Agreement to limit the global average temperature rise to no more than 1.5-degrees Celsius, which scientists say is necessary to avoid the worst impacts of climate change.

To achieve this common goal, we must work together to reduce global net carbon dioxide emissions by 45 percent from 2010 levels by 20302, with a dramatic reduction of all greenhouse gas emissions essential for reaching net-zero emissions by 2050 or sooner. Key to this is ensuring government leaders support sustainable COVID-19 economic recovery efforts consistent with net-zero emissions.

As the world prepares to gather for the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26), we encourage all countries to significantly strengthen their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) for 2030 and to ensure a planned transition to net-zero emissions by 2050 or sooner. While we recognize the differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities of countries, we believe that those who set ambitious targets in line with achieving net-zero emissions, and implement consistent national climate policies in the short-to-medium term, will become increasingly attractive investment destinations. Countries that fail to do so will find themselves at a competitive disadvantage.

In this shared global crisis, investors and governments each have a responsibility to act swiftly and boldly. Investors are taking climate action in line with The Investor Agenda, with more investors than ever before embedding net zero goals and strategies into their portfolio decisions, engaging companies to cut their emissions and calling on policymakers to deliver robust climate action. Investors are urgently seeking to decrease their exposure to climate risk as a core fiduciary duty and benefit from the opportunities associated with the transition to a net-zero emissions economy.

However, our ability to properly allocate the trillions of dollars needed to support the net-zero transition is limited by the ambition gap between current government commitments (as set out in NDCs) and the emission reductions needed to limit global average temperature rise to 1.5-degrees Celsius. In addition, as owners of (or those representing owners of) companies, we need access to adequate information on how these companies are assessing and managing the risks and opportunities presented by climate change. Government policy has a critical role to play in increasing our access to and affirmative disclosure of such information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.ipcc.ch/2018/10/08/summary-for-policymakers-of-ipcc-special-report-on-global-warmingof-1-5c-approved-by-governments/















<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.unenvironment.org/emissions-gap-report-2020



These gaps – in climate ambition, policy action and risk disclosure - need to be addressed with urgency.

We, therefore, call on all governments in 2021 to:

- 1. Strengthen their NDCs for 2030 before COP26, to align with limiting warming to 1.5-degrees Celsius and ensuring a planned transition to net-zero emissions by 2050 or sooner.
- 2. Commit to a domestic mid-century, net-zero emissions target and outline a pathway with ambitious interim targets including clear decarbonization roadmaps for each carbon-intensive sector.
- 3. Implement domestic policies to deliver these targets, incentivize private investments in zero-emissions solutions and ensure ambitious pre-2030 action through: robust carbon pricing, the removal of fossil fuel subsidies by set deadlines, the phase out of thermal coal-based electricity generation by set deadlines in line with credible 1.5-degrees Celsius temperature pathways, the avoidance of new carbon-intensive infrastructure (e.g. no new coal power plants) and the development of just transition plans for affected workers and communities.
- 4. Ensure COVID-19 economic recovery plans support the transition to net-zero emissions and enhance resilience. This includes facilitating investment in zero-emissions energy and transport infrastructure, avoiding public investment in new carbon-intensive infrastructure and requiring carbon-intensive companies that receive government support to enact climate change transition plans consistent with the Paris Agreement.
- 5. Commit to implementing mandatory climate risk disclosure requirements aligned with the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) recommendations, ensuring comprehensive disclosures that are consistent, comparable, and decision-useful.

Strong policies, in line with limiting global warming to no more than 1.5-degrees Celsius, can accelerate and scale up private capital flows towards the net-zero transition. Full implementation of the Paris Agreement will create significant investment opportunities in clean technologies, green infrastructure and other assets, products and services needed in this new economy. In turn, investors can use capital allocation and stewardship to support sustainable activities that generate jobs and economic growth, transition away from carbon-intensive activities and increase resilience. We encourage governments to engage closely with investors to make sure these opportunities are fully realized.

As investors, we are committed to working with governments to ensure policy mechanisms are developed and implemented to transition to a climate resilient net-zero emissions economy by 2050 or sooner.

We urge all governments to step up their collective response to the climate crisis.

















Note: The following 587 investor signatories with over USD \$46 trillion in assets are listed in alphabetical order by organisation name.

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Aargauische Pensionskasse (APK) Aberdeen Standard Investments

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ATISA Personalvorsorgestiftung der Tschümperlin-Unternehmungen

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BBGI Global Infrastructure S.A. **BBVA Asset Management** 

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BONUS Pensionskassen Aktiengesellschaft Border to Coast Pensions Partnership Boston Common Asset Management

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Caisse de prévoyance du personnel de l'Etat de Fribourg (CPPEF)

Caisse de prévoyance du personnel de l'Etat du Valais (CPVAL)

Caisse de retraite professionnelle de l'industrie vaudoise de la construction

Caisse intercommunale de pensions (CIP)

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Congregation of St. Joseph

Cooler Future

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First Sentier Investors

FMO - Dutch entrepreneurial development bank

Folksam

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Fondation de Luxembourg

Fondation de prévoyance Artes & Comoedia Fondation de prévoyance du Groupe BNP

PARIBAS en Suisse

Fondation de prévoyance professionnelle en

faveur de AROMED

Fondation de prévoyance Romande Energie Fondation Interprofessionnelle Sanitaire de

Prévoyance (FISP) **Fondation Leenaards** Fondation Patrimonia Fonditel Pensiones EGFP

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**TELEFONICA** Fondoposte

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(Suisse) SA

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Foresight Group

Första AP-fonden (AP1)

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Fulcrum Asset Management

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**GENERALI** 

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GOOD GROWTH INSTITUT für globale

Vermögensentwicklung mbH

Gore Street Capital

**Greater Manchester Pension Fund** Green Century Capital Management Groupama Asset Management

Groupe La Française Handelsbanken Fonder AB

Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

HarbourVest Partners

**HESTA** Hexavest

Holberg Fondsforvaltning

Honeytree Investment Management

**HSBC** Asset Management

HSBC Bank Pension Trust (UK) Limited ICCR (Interfaith Center on Corporate

Responsibility) **IFM Investors** IG4 Capital

Ilmarinen Mutual Pension Insurance

Company

Impax Asset Management

Inherent Group InnovaFonds Insight Investment

Inspired Evolution Investment Management

(Pty) Ltd

Intech Investment Management LLC Intermediate Capital Group Plc (ICG) Investment Management Corporation of

Investor Advocates for Social Justice

Ircantec

















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**ISGAM AG** 

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JAB Holding Company Sàrl James Hambro & Partners Jesuit Committee on Investment

Responsibility

Jesuits in Britain

Jesus College Cambridge JLens Investor Network

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust

Jupiter Asset Management

Jyske Capital

Karner Blue Capital, LLC **KBI Global Investors** Kerogen Capital

Keva

Khumo Capital (Pty) Ltd

Kinnerton Credit Management A/S Kirk Kapital Fondsmæglerselskab

**KPA Pension** 

Kutxabank Gestion SGIIC SAU Kyma Investment Partners

La Banque Postale

La Financière de L'Echiquier

Lægernes Pension Landsbankinn Länsförsäkringar Liv

Legal & General Investment Management

Lewis & Clark College LGPS Central Limited Lifsverk Pension Fund

Lincluden Investment Management Ltd. Liontrust Investment Partners LLP

Lloyds Banking Group Pensions Trustees

Limited

Local Authority Pension Fund Forum

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M&G plc

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MAIF

Maitri Asset Management Majedie Asset Management

Man Group plc

Manulife Investment Management Marshall Wace Asset Management Martin Currie Investment Management

Limited

Mercer Investments

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MIMCO Capital S.à r.l.

Mirae Asset Global Investments (Hong Kong)

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**Environmental Research** 

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MPC Capital

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NextEnergy Capital NGS Super Fund

Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd.

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P+, Pensionskassen for Akademikere P1 Investment Management Ltd Pædagogernes Pension (PBU) Palatine Private Equity

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PFA Pension **PGGM** Phitrust **PIMCO PKA** 

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Power Pacific Investment Management Inc.

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Prévoyance Santé Valais (PRESV)

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Qualitas Equity Funds

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Investment

Regroupement pour la Responsabilité Sociale des Entreprises (RRSE)

Rentes Genevoises

Resona Asset Management Co., Ltd.

Rize ETF Robeco

Royal London Mutual Insurance Society

RP - Fonds institutionnel

RPMI Railpen Ruffer LLP

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Sage Advisory Services

Sampension Administrationsselskab A/S San Francisco Employees' Retirement

System (SFERS)

Sant Charitable Foundation, Inc. Santander Asset Management

Sarasin & Partners LLP SAUL Trustee Company

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