## **Credible Climate Transition Plans**

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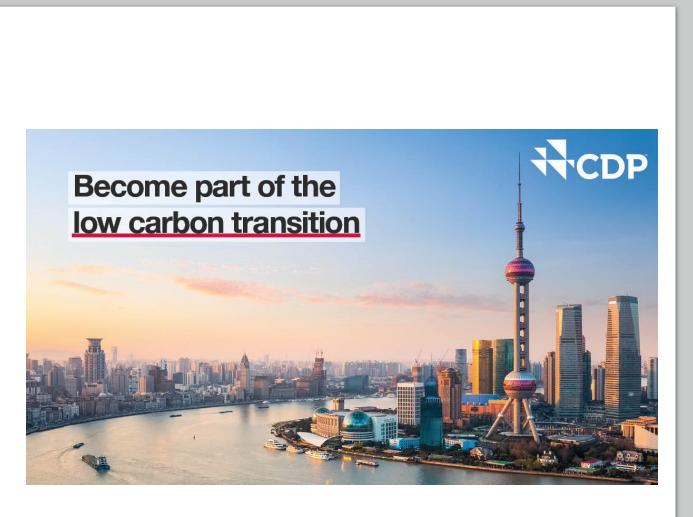
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## Agenda

- Global trajectory Mainstream climate transition plan disclosure & it's drivers
- Where do transition plans feature in current environmental disclosure frameworks and standards?
- CDP's role in mainstreaming credible climate transition plan disclosure.
- 2022 assessment Are companies developing credible transition plans?
- Examples of credible climate transition plan disclosure.





## Global trajectory – Mainstream climate transition plan disclosure





Mainstream adoption into legislation



#### **Climate Action & Transformation**

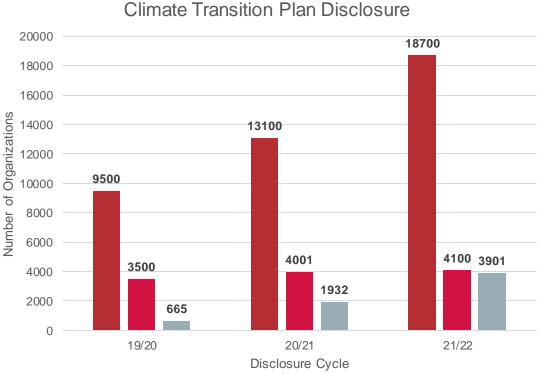


In bound regulation driving transition plan development and disclosure (Transition Plan Taskforce, ISSB, TCFD, CSRD)



Proliferation of Science-based Targets via the SBTi is accelerating the need for credible plans demonstrating how organizations will meet these targets

Resiliency risks that comes with an everchanging
 climate and natural environment



Disclosing Companies

Number of Companies Disclosing a Transition Plan

Number of Science-Based Targets (Via SBTi)



## What Do We Mean By Transition?

# A Transition Refers to Taking Actions that:

Align a business model with a world in which two key outcomes are pursued:



The global average temperature is allowed to rise by no more than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels.

The natural ecosystem health is restored.

Enable a thriving economy that works for people and planet





# CDP's role in mainstreaming credible climate transition plan disclosure



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The table below shows the extent to which the CDP climate change questionnaire covers the elements of a credible climate transition plan, as set out by other frameworks/standards. Please note: At the time of this publication, some of the mapped standards/frameworks exists only as draft recommendations.

 Table 1: Mapping climate transition plan elements to existing frameworks

#### Full coverage

There is at least full coverage between CDP's climate change questionnaire and the disclosure requirement set by this framework/standard i.e., CDP's questionnaire meets (and in some cases, exceeds) the disclosure requirement set by this framework/standard.

#### Partial coverage

There is partial coverage between CDP's climate change questionnaire and the disclosure requirement recommended by this framework/standard.

#### Not applicable

The mapped standard/framework does not require the disclosure of this information – whereas CDP's questionnaire does.

| CDP credible climate transition plan elements |   | IFRS<br>(ISSB) | U.S.SEC | <u>EFRAG</u><br>(ESRS) | UKTPT | TCFD | ACT | GFANZ | <u>CA100+</u> | CBI | TPI |
|---|---|----------------|---------|------------------------|-------|------|-----|-------|---------------|-----|-----|
| Governance                                    | Board level oversight   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Board expertise on climate related issues   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Executive management accountability & feedback mechanisms   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Executive incentives linked to climate performance indicators                                       |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Scenario Analysis                             | Details of scenario analysis  |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Risks & Opportunities                         | Process for identifying climate related risks & opportunities                                       |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Climate related risks - risks, potential financial impact and response strategy                     |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Climate related opportunities - opportunities, potential financial impact and response strategy     |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Strategy to achieve Net Zero                  | Existence of a "1.5C world" aligned transition plan within business strategy & shareholder feedback |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Link between identified (and potential) climate related risks, opportunities & company strategy     |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Financial Planning                            | Financial planning details associated with a 1.5C world   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Low carbon products or services   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Targets                                       | Emissions reduction targets - absolute & intensity  |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Other climate related targets   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
|   | Net-zero targets  |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Scope 1, 2 &3 accounting<br>with verification | Comprehensive and third-party verified emissions accounting   |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |
| Policy engagement                             | Alignment of public policy engagement with climate ambition & strategy                              |                |         |                        |       |      |     |       |               |     |     |

#### What Constitutes a Credible Climate Transition Plan







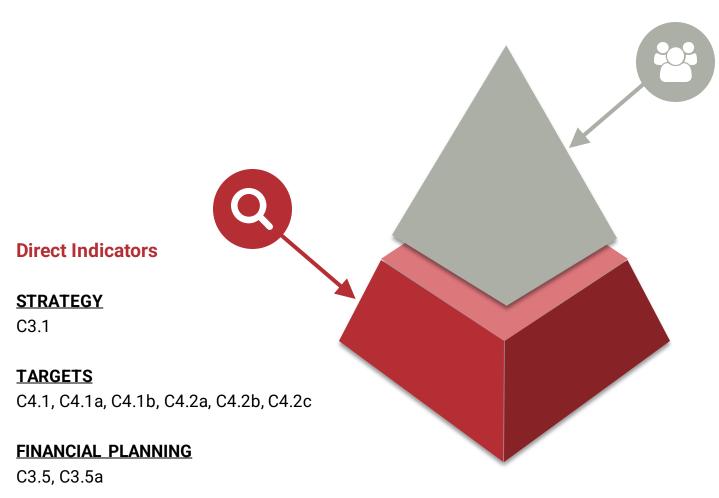
A climate transition plan is a **time-bound, action plan** that clearly outlines how an organization will pivot its existing assets, operations, and entire business model towards a trajectory that aligns with the latest and most ambitious climate science recommendations

Accountability Internally coherent Forward looking Time bound and quantitative Flexible and responsive Complete



Governance Scenario Analysis Financial planning Value chain & low carbon initiatives Policy engagement Risks & Opportunities Targets Scope 1,2,3 accounting with verification

## **Direct and supporting indicators**



**GOVERNANCE** 1.1, C1.1a, C1.1b, C1.1d, C1.2, C1.3, C1.3a

**<u>RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES</u>** C2.1, C2.2, C2.3, C2.3a, C2.4, C2.4a

**Supporting indicators** 

STRATEGY & SCENARIO ANALYSIS C3.3, C3.2, C3.2a, C3.2b,

**SCOPE1,2,3 ACCOUNTING WITH VERIFICATION** C5.2, C6.1, C6.3, C6.5, C10.1a, C10.1b, C10.1c

FINANCIAL PLANNING C3.4, 4.5, C4.5a

VALUE CHAIN ENGAGEMENT & LOW CARBON INITIATIVES C4.3b, C12.1, C12.1a, C12.1b, C12.1d, C12.2, C12.2a

**POLICY ENGAGEMENT** C12.3, C12.3a, C12.3b, C12.3c



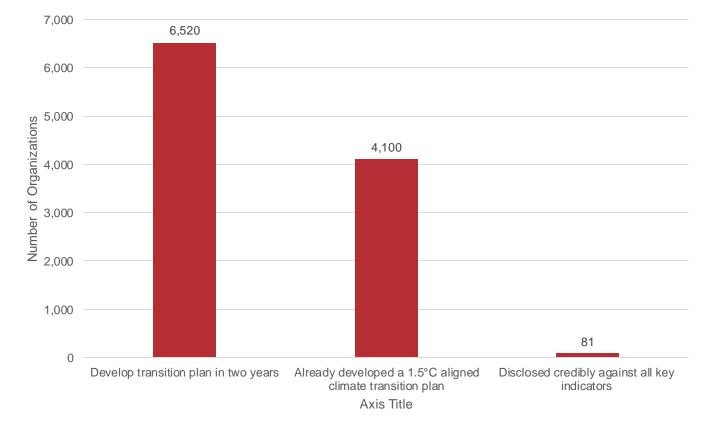
# 2022 assessment – Are companies developing credible climate transition plans?



### 2022 climate transition plan disclosure

Figures from 2022 CDP Climate Transition Plan Report

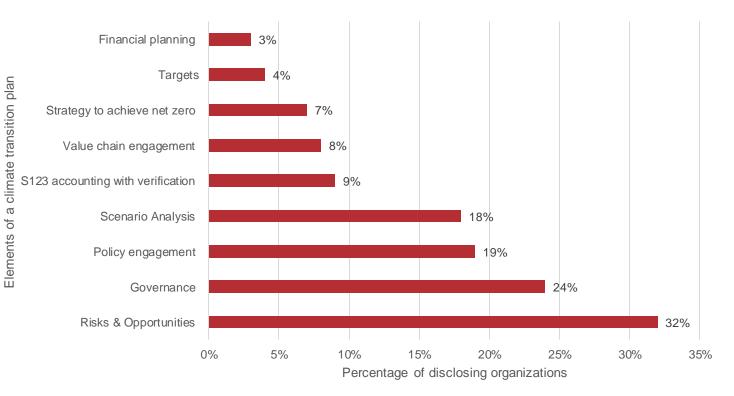
- Over 6,500 organizations disclosed that they plan to develop a climate transition plan.
- 4,100, an increase on last year (4,002), disclosed that they have developed a 1.5°C aligned climate transition plan.
- Only 81 organizations disclosed sufficiently to all 21 key indicators, a decrease on last year (135).



#### 2022 Climate Transition Plan Disclosure

#### **2022 Disclosure of Climate Transition Plan Elements**

- More than a third of disclosing organizations met the disclosure criteria for the risks & opportunities element of a credible climate transition plan.
- 24% disclosed sufficient details of governance.
- 19% disclosed sufficient details of their policy engagement.
- Financial planning, targets and strategy to achieve net-zero were the poorest preforming elements.



#### 2022 Element Level Disclsoure



# Examples of credible climate transition plan disclosure



### Climate related risks and opportunities (Strategy)



Describe where and how climate-related risks and opportunities have influenced your strategy.



#### **Company A's Response to C3.3**

#### Investment in R&D

Both internal and external research and development has been realized as an opportunity to advance our **climate-related goals in-line with our time horizon of 2025**. The opportunity we have recognized to influence climate-related risks associated with our investment in R&D is more efficient production and distribution processes. We hope that strategically focusing on R&D to reduce our exposure to fuel price volatility will decrease our climate-related risks. Our internal R&D department is focused on decreasing the impacts of climate-related risks through innovation in both our products and its associated packaging. We continue to invest in the design of more efficient production processes and the use of renewable energy sources. Our R&D team is currently working on transforming our current facilities into net zero ones

### **Financial planning**



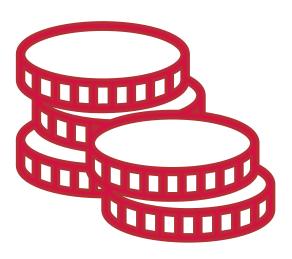
## Quantify the percentage share of your spending/revenue that is aligned with your organization's transition to a 1.5C world.

| Financial metric                          | Percentage share of selected<br>financial metric aligned with a<br>1.5°C world in the reporting year<br>(%) | Percentage share of selected<br>financial metric planned to align<br>with a 1.5°C world in 2025 (%) | Percentage share of selected<br>financial metric planned to align<br>with a 1.5°C world in 2030 (%) | Describe the methodology used to<br>identify spending/revenue that is<br>aligned with a 1.5°C world |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| Select from:                              | Percentage field [enter a<br>percentage from 0-100]   | Percentage field [enter a<br>percentage from 0-100]   | Percentage field [enter a<br>percentage from 0-100]   | Text field [maximum 4,000<br>characters]  |  |
| Revenue                                   | percentage from 0-rooj  | percentage nom 0-100j   | percentage from 0-100j  | charactersj   |  |
| CAPEX                                     |   |   |   |   |  |
| • OPEX                                    |   |   |   |   |  |
| <ul> <li>Other, please specify</li> </ul> |   |   |   |   |  |

#### **Financial Planning**



Describe the methodology used to identify spending/revenue that is aligned with a 1.5°C world



#### Company A's response to C3.5a

The methodology used to identify revenues aligned to a 1.5°C world is the **EU taxonomy.** Our CAPEX mostly deals with intangible assets, which are new products and technology derived from our R&D effort. This CAPEX is a necessary intermediate stage to enable future revenues aligned with a 1.5°C world. Therefore, we estimate that the annual increase in R&D aligned with climate change mitigation should evolve at a faster pace than revenues with that same goal in the short to medium term. We estimate that this CAPEX could increase above 2pp annually until 2025 and around 4pp annually between 2025 and 2030.

## **Additional resources**



#### Discussion paper

#### Technical Note

- 2022 CDP report <u>Are</u> <u>companies developing credible</u> <u>transition plans?</u>
- <u>CDP guidance webpage</u>
- CDP climate transition plan webpage





# Thank you

To learn more about disclosure and environmental action through CDP visit: Organizational guide - CDP

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