

Assessing and Reporting Nature-and-Biodiversity-related Risks & Opportunities Stocktaking Analysis of Standards and Initiatives

G20 Sustainable Finance Working Group 2023 Priority 2: Enabling finance for the Sustainable Development Goals

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Approach

- The 2023 SFWG work programme includes a stocktaking analysis of the measures taken so far to assess and report on nature- and biodiversity-related risks and opportunities.
- **Objective:** Based on the stocktaking analysis, the G20 SFWG will make recommendations to the stakeholders on how to improve data and reporting on nature-related information in the future, keeping in mind country-specific circumstances
- This slide deck consolidates information on certain frameworks and standards for assessing & reporting on nature- and biodiversity-related risks and opportunities.





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STANDARDS









FRAMEWORKS







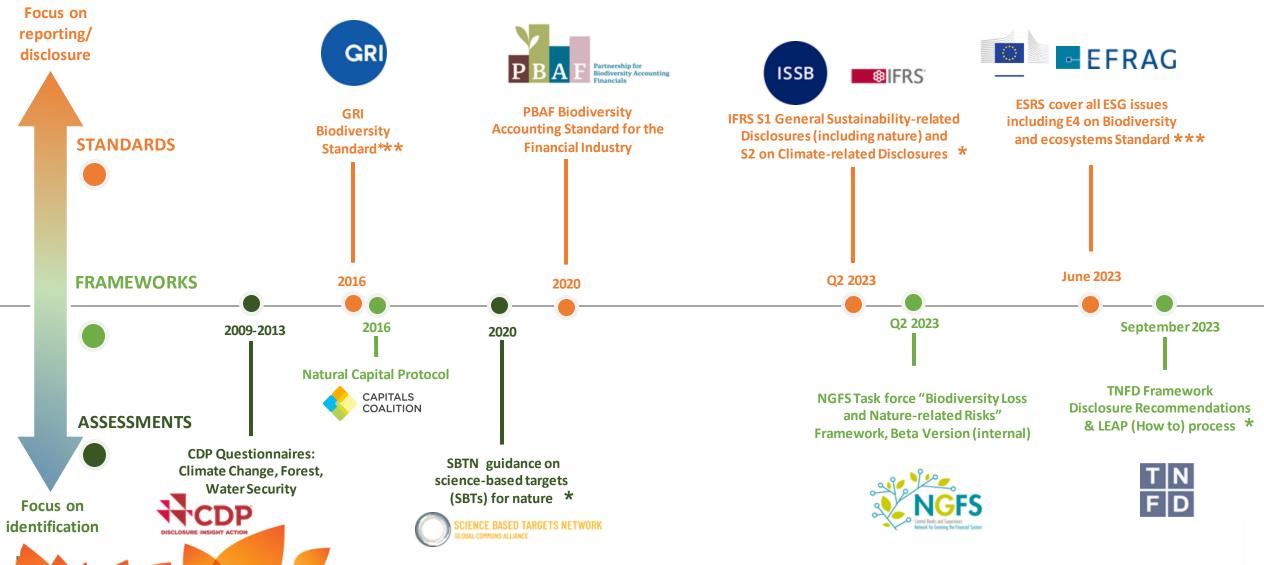
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Timeline (first releases)





Dates in the timeline refer to the first final version released. Some updates may be available [ex: PBAF Standard v2022]. Initiatives marked * have already released one or more draft or beta versions.

** GRI 304 builds on a series of biodiversity-related GRI guidelines which were first published in 2000 and subsequently revised.

^{***} EFRAG released the draft ESRS in November 2022 to the European Commission for the legal adoption, changes are possible, final standards to be released in Summer 2023

Prevailing Approach to Materiality







ENABLES THE MATERIALITY CHOICES OF REPORT PREPARERS



Institution usage



	All companies	Financial institutions	Central Banks & Supervisors
EFRAG	X *	X	
GRI	X *	X	
ISSB	X	X	
PBAF		X	
CAPITALS COALITION	X	X	
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T N Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures	X	X	
DISCLOSURE INSIGHT ACTION	X *	X	
SCIENCE BASED TARGETS NETWORK GLOBAL COMPTONS ALLIANCE	X *	X	

Specific guidance or options for SMEs: GRI, CDP, EFRAG, SBTN (planned)

Geographies Coverage



- All initiatives are applicable regardless of geography and most of them are catering for geography-specificity issues.
- ESRS E4 Biodiversity and ecosystems Standard applies applies to entities in scope of CSRD, i.e., all large EU companies and all EU & non-EU companies listed in European regulated markets (except listed micro-companies).







Industry Coverage & Sector Guidance Spotlights



FINANCIAL SECTOR SPECIFIC



All types of financial institutions, both private and public.

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REAL ECONOMY



Sector specific standards plans for June 2024 (TBC)



Sector Standards. Ex: Aquaculture and fishing



In line with SASB industry-specific standards



Supplementary guidance on Forest Products, Food and Beverage, Finance and Apparel



Sector specific guidance as per SASB classifications



Sector-specific limitations and conditions



Specific modules for some industries

Ecosystem's components & types



ABIOTIC

Focus on non-living components within ecosystems like: water, soil and atmosphere



BIOTIC

Focus on living components within ecosystems like: plants, animals, and bacteria

The following frameworks and assessments provide additional guidance on specific components and/or types of ecosystems:



Tropical forests, rivers and streams, intensively used land, and marine shelf



Climate, CDSB biodiversity and water Application guidance



Climate change, pollution, water and marine resources, biodiversity circular economy & resource use



Ex: Water and effluents, soil health



Climate, ocean, freshwater, land, and the biodiversity



Specific ecosystems & forest conservation

Alignment to the Global Biodiversity Framework



Target 15 on Disclosures

Take legal, administrative or policy measures to encourage and enable business, and in particular to ensure that large and transnational companies and financial institutions:

- (a) Regularly monitor, assess, and transparently disclose their risks, dependencies and impacts on biodiversity, including with requirements for all large as well as transnational companies and financial institutions along their operations, supply and value chains and portfolios;
- (b) Provide information needed to consumers to promote sustainable consumption patterns;
- (c) Report on compliance with access and benefit-sharing regulations and measures, as applicable; in order to progressively reduce negative impacts on biodiversity, increase positive impacts, reduce biodiversity-related risks to business and financial institutions, and promote actions to ensure sustainable patterns of production.



Alignment to the Global Biodiversity Framework



Dependencies Risks **Impacts Opportunities** on Nature on Nature to organization to organization GBF (CoP15) **STANDARDS** EFRAG **GRI** ISSB **FRAMEWORKS** CAPITALS COALITION Taskforce on Nature-related **Financial Disclosures ASSESSMENTS** & DATA COLLECTION SCIENCE BASED TARGETS NETWORK

Collaborations



	EFRAG	ISSB	GRI	T N F D	OTHERS
EFRAG		X	X	X	
ISSB	x *		x *	X	CDSB biodiversity and water Application guidance
GRI	X	X		X	IMP, Business for Nature
PBAF	X		X	X	SBTN, ALIGN, ESVD
Capital Coalition	X	X	X	X	IMP, SBTN, WBCSD, Business for Nature (ACT-D framework), WEF
NGFS				X	
CDP	X	X	X	X	SBTN
SBTN				X	Capitals coalition

Note: * Source of guidance companies may consider, in the absence of a specific ISSB standard Logos & institution names are indicative of collaborations around the nature/biodiversity-related standards, frameworks and assessments noted on slide 4

Key Upcoming Milestones

Draft/Beta/Pilot





Q1/Q2 2023

Q3/Q4 2023

2024

2025



Adoption of a first set of standards covering all ESG issues

First set of ESRS starts to apply

Adoption of a second set of standards, including sectorsspecific and for listed SMEs



Consultation on agenda priority including nature (May)

Issuance of IFRS S1 and S2

Consultation on SASB methodology

IFRS S1 and S2 become effective



Release of revised GRI Biodiversity Standard







Technical consultation of the draft integrated Capitals Protocol

Release and piloting of the Beta version

Launch of final integrate Capitals Protocol



Beta Version: Biodiversity Loss & Naturerelated Risks' Framework (internal) Beta Version II: Biodiversity Loss & Naturerelated Risks' Framework (Publication TBD)



Final beta Framework consultation & conclusion of 150+ pilot tests

TNFD Framework Launch

First TNFD reporting by some companies



New Guidance Released: Climate Change, Forest, Water Security

Pilot testing for integration of disclosure on plastics

Integration of IFRS S2 (TBA)



Release v1 guidance on SBTs for nature

Full target-setting methods



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