

G20 Technical Assistance Action Plan (TAAP)



Aspirations



Creating

An enabling environment for enhancing capacity building services.



Tailoring

Capacity building services.



Capacity building

On transition finance and other SDGs.

Recommended Actions

1 SHORT TERM

Governments regional and international fora and IOs should acknowledge the critical role of capacity building in creating the conditions for orderly, just, and affordable transitions. Accordingly, public authorities in collaboration with private sector actors, research and academic institutions, NGOs, and industrial associations should coordinate amongst themselves to strengthen and synergize the delivery of capacity building for sustainable finance in a manner consistent with national sustainable development plans and priorities.

2 SHORT-TO-MEDIUM TERM

Financial market participants should consider enhancing internal capacity to increase investments in the climate transition and SDGs. They should also consider developing sustainable finance competency frameworks to help measure and align relevant governance processes with the gaps identified in employee skills, knowledge, and attributes with relevant climate and sustainability aligned plans.

3 SHORT TERM

Financial institutions should consider raising awareness of financial products available to clients, including MSMEs, to identify, understand, and manage sustainable-related risks.

4 SHORT TERM

Relevant IOs, regional and international fora, MDBs, DFIs, and other development banks should encourage and support the development of a well coordinated international network of capacity building service providers to help scale up their efforts, foster exchange of best practices, develop higher quality contents for global usage, and better connect content providers with countries and audiences in need.

5 SHORT-TO-MEDIUM TERM

Relevant public sector authorities, PDBs and IOs should work in collaboration with professional technical assistance and training providers as well as with the recipients of technical assistance, as appropriate, to support capacity building services tailored to local sustainable finance ecosystem needs.

6 SHORT-TO-MEDIUM TERM

Capacity building service providers, including IOs are encouraged to focus their offering on the most relevant/critical topics including, but not limited to, implementation of the transition finance framework, sustainability risk analysis, data collection/ reporting, and issuances of Green Social and Sustainability (GSS) bonds, with a focus on MSMEs, and considering specific needs of EMDEs.

7 SHORT-TO-MEDIUM TERM

Capacity building service providers should strengthen their engagements with recipients to provide more structured and tailored learning programs based on international best practices and learnings, including in local languages, and to expand access through digital technologies and online platforms, that may allow for increases in the scale and quality of service delivery.

8 SHORT TERM

Capacity building service providers should seek to strengthen their capacity building efforts in promoting the transition finance framework developed by the SFWG in 2022 and in broader topics related to SDGs. They can do this by prioritising capacity building and knowledge sharing under the 5 pillars of the framework, covering identification of transition finance activities and investments, reporting/disclosure including of transition plans supported by credible pathways, transition related financial instruments, incentive policies and other supporting measures, and just transition considerations by mitigating potential negative social and economic impact.

9 SHORT-TO-MEDIUM TERM

Financial institutions should consider building capacity in transition planning based on forward looking data, including but not limited to developing transition finance products, engagement with clients, and developing and disclosing transition plans supported by credible pathways, taking into account country specific circumstances, to set out the steps they will take to achieve their respective transition targets.

The TAAP is a multi year document, to be reviewed periodically, subject to the decisions of incoming G20 Presidencies, working group Co Chairs, and members, and taking into consideration the developments of sustainable finance markets and needs of sustainable finance practitioners.

Relevant actors should consider the TAAP when carrying out capacity building services and initiatives, and relevant IOs may consider implementing the recommendations and periodically reporting on progress with respect to the recommendations. These providers should seek to mobilize financial resources to carry out these activities.

In line with Recommended Action 4, the SFWG invites interested International Organizations and Networks to submit ideas to the G20 for future advancement of the TAAP. The SFWG Secretariat will collate submissions to improve information sharing and promote cooperation among interested parties.

* Short Term: 2023 - 2025

* Short-to-Medium Term: 2023 - 2028