From Policy to Action: how business and investors can reach climate neutrality

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Why investors are engaged on climate change

The benefits of action hugely outweigh the costs of inaction:

- Maximising investment opportunities
  
  Without greater action: long-term temperature rises of ~ 4°C = $23 trillion of global economic losses over next 80 years

- Safeguarding of investments
  
  Greater action: climate change could deliver $26 trillion in global economic benefit to 2030
Private finance to support mitigation

Green investments can provide strong returns
- PKA experience demonstrates that these objectives are mutually reinforcing
- Pension beneficiaries want to retire into a sustainable world

Investors can learn by doing
- Early green investments have allowed capacity-building and expansion into new sectors and regions
- PKA now has 8% of funds in green investments
A step change in low-carbon investment

- Danish pledge at the UN Secretary Generals Climate Summit in New York with the Danish Prime Minister and the Danish pension sector.

- Danish pension funds with new commitments of additional $50 billion to green investments from 2020 to 2030.

- Climate Investment Coalition: the Danish government, Insurance & Pension Denmark, IIGCC and World Climate Ltd.

- In 2020: scaling up and internationalising to raise a global ambition for COP26 in Glasgow and beyond.
The role of the EU

Strong policy frameworks drive investment
- Ambitious and concrete objectives
- Ensure that policy supports green, investable projects

EU must build on its strong track record
- 2030 climate and energy package has driven significant investment in EU
- Essential now to set a climate neutrality target for the EU for 2050

Green New Deal: clear delivery plan
- All relevant EU instruments need to align to the new 2050 objective – including 2030 targets
- We need change now
Clear policy frameworks are key to turning ambitious goals and objectives into investable projects

Investors are ready and willing to unlock further capital

Vital to urgently work together to realise the vision of a low-carbon and climate-resilient future
Thank you