

## SBTN Corporate Engagement Program Members-Only Orientation

January 12, 2021

## Corporate Engagement Program

- Enable co-creation of tools and methods across broad spectrum of companies for cost-effective, user-friendly products that builds on what you are already doing
- Get companies started on what you can do today
- Build momentum and business case for SBT for nature
- Identify barriers to setting SBT for nature and what we might do to address now
- 2 year program for companies, industry coalitions, and consultancies (~60 organizations have joined)



## Minimum Requirements to Participate\*

- Getting started: sign up on the <u>SBTN website</u>
- 2 Within one week: submit signed terms of use & logo
- Within one month: a) pay nominal one-time fee & b) review our first product Science-Based Targets for Nature Initial Guidance for Business and provide feedback
- Within one year of our members-only orientation session: conduct step one of the Guidance (value chain mapping/materiality assessment) or benchmarking, and provide feedback
- Annually: promote the value of SBTs for nature within your organization and with other companies, and report on activity

\*Companies are not committing to setting a science-based target for nature by joining our Corporate Engagement Program.



### **Global Commons Alliance**



#### **Earth Commission**

Coalition of scientists aiming to identify a safe and just corridor for humanity



#### **Science Based Targets Network**

Aims to provide science-based targets for all global commons for all companies and cities in the world



#### **Earth HQ**

Aims to establish powerful new media partnerships to reach millions of people



#### **Systems Change Lab**

Aims to build the enabling systems to scale action rapidly across cities, companies and societies



## Who we are



## **How We Are Organized**

Group	Function
Network Hub	<ul> <li>Executive Director (Erin Billman) and Leads for Technical, Operational, Communications, Corporate Engagement, GCA</li> </ul>
Technical Teams	<ul> <li>Cross-cutting work to create tools, guidance, and integrated methods</li> <li>Issue-specific work; specifically: Biodiversity, Land, Ocean, Water</li> <li>Earth Commission link</li> </ul>
Network Council	Sets strategic direction for the SBTN



## Today's Focus: Step 1 and Tools

## **Quick Check**

#### Mentimeter:

- Have you read the initial guidance?
- How well (on a scale of 1-5) do you understand your company's impacts and dependencies on nature?

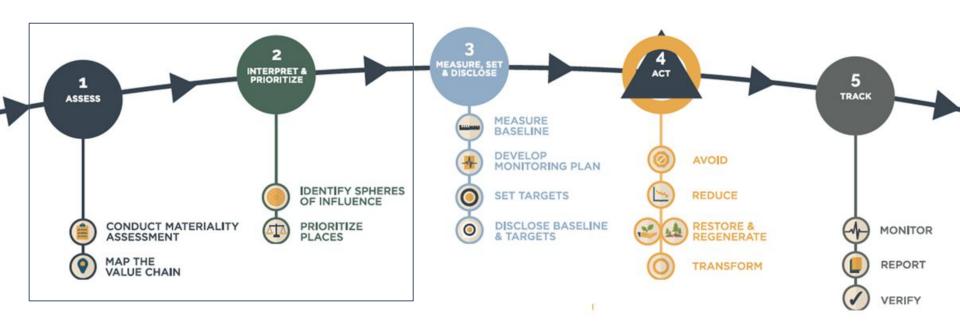
#### **Directions:**

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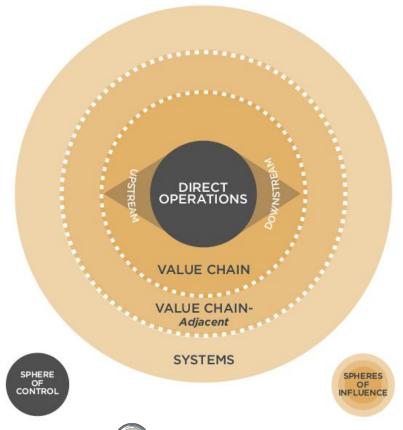




## **Proposed Process of Setting SBTs for Nature**



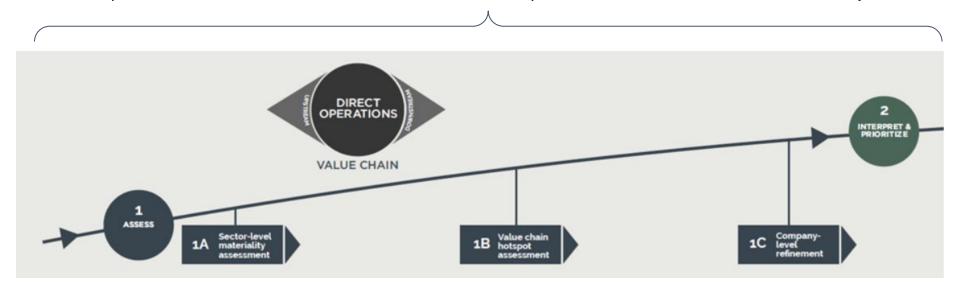
## **Key Concept: Spheres of Control and Influence**





## **Key phases of Steps 1-2**

Steps 1-2 Determine 'which' issue areas and value chain components, 'where' in the world to be covered by SBTs



Step 1 gathers the data on your value chain's impacts and dependencies on nature



Step 2 involves judgment/normative prioritization of this data



## Step 1(a): Materiality Assessment

		Land/V	Vater∕Sea Use	Change	Resource Exploitation	Climate Change	Pollution			Invasives and Other	
Sector	Sub-Industry	Terrestrial ecosystem use	Freshwater ecosystem use	Marine ecosystem use	Water use	GHGs emissions	Non-GHG air pollutants	Water pollutants	Soil pollutants	Solid waste	Disturbance
Consumer Discretionary	Computer & Electronics Retail	3		3	33	<b>5</b>	33	33	3(2)	3(4)	3
	Footwear	<b>4</b> ()>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	44	•	3(3)	33	4	34	
	Home Furnishings	<b>4</b>		<b>4</b>	3(4)	<b>(</b> )	<b>(5)</b>	<b>(5)</b>	<b>(5)</b>	34	3
Consumer Staples	Brewers	4	<b>3</b>		5	<b>6</b> (4)	2	1	1	33	2
	Food Retail	4		3	33	<b>5</b>	2(3)	33>	2(2)	3(4)	2
	Personal Products	4	3	<b>(</b> )>	4	55	2(2)	3(4)	23	3(4)	2
Industrials	Highways & Rail tracks	3	4	<b>3</b>	34	<b>6</b> 3	<b>3</b> (2)	1	33		<b>(5)</b>
Energy	Oil & Gas Exploration & Production	4	<b>3</b>	4	<b>4</b>	5(4)	3	3(4)	<b>(5)</b>	<b>4</b>	4
Utilities	Electric Utilities	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>		3(2)	<b>6</b> (1)		3	<b>3</b>		3
	Water Utilities	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>		34	<b>6</b> ()>		4			<b>3</b> ()







## Step 1(b): Value Chain Hotspot Assessment

'Hotspot' assessments can use a variety of 'valuation' approaches to assess relative importance:

Qualitative valuation: Valuation that describes natural capital impacts or dependencies and may rank them into categories such as high, medium, or low.

Quantitative valuation: Valuation that uses non-monetary units such as numbers (e.g., in a composite index), areas, mass, or volume to assess the magnitude of natural capital impacts or dependencies.

Monetary valuation: Valuation that uses money (e.g., \$, \$, \$) as the common unit to assess the values of natural capital impacts and/or dependencies.

**Source**: Nat Cap Protocol, S3.2.5



Kering Group E P&L Results for 2013 by Environmental Impact Type and Tier of the Supply Chain

Ex using monetary valuation: Kering EP&L



## Step 1(c): Company-Level Refinement

SECTORAL MATERIALITY erage significance of issue area at sector leve

#### Potential materiality (to justify if excluded)

**Example A**: Pesticide runoff is typically material for an agricultural company, but [company] produces only organic foods with no use of pesticides.

#### Not material

#### **High materiality**

**Example C**: Terrestrial biodiversity impacts are typically material for extractives companies, and are also material for [specific company]

#### Potential materiality

(to justify if excluded; potential inclusion if relevant to company)

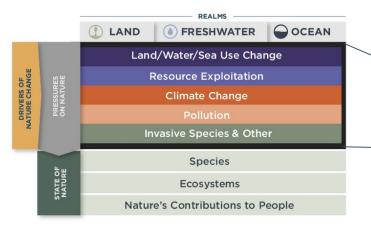
**Example B**: Land use change might not be material for most utilities companies, but [specific company] uses biomass that requires considerable land.

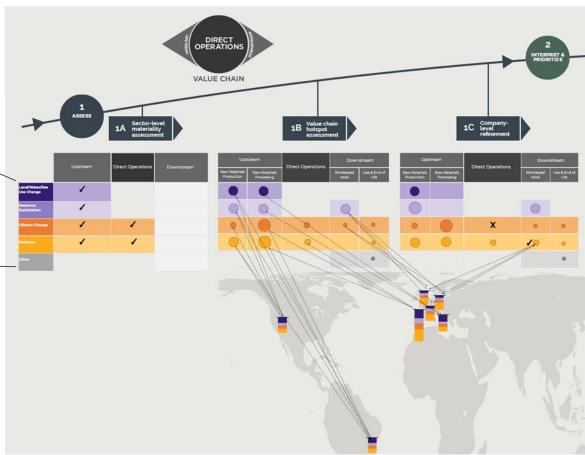
#### COMPANY MATERIALITY

Specific significance of issue area for [company]



## **Step 1 Output**







## **Step 1 Review and Expectations**

#### • Time needed

Depending on data availability, can take several months to do Step 1

#### Resources needed

- Depends on current data baselines, extent of supply chain/value chain covered, and complexity of business
- Primary data needed for direct operations; secondary data acceptable for upstream and downstream

#### What's considered sufficient

- Key impact areas that should be covered in the materiality assessment include: land/sea use change, resource exploitation (biotic, abiotic), climate change, pollution, invasives and disturbances
- Companies at a minimum should assess the spatial impacts connected to their direct operations (and key sourcing where spatial sourcing data is available)

#### • What do we expect within 1 year of joining the program

- Complete Step 1: Access per the Guidance and complete our survey; or,
- Benchmark your existing materiality assessment against the Guidance and complete our survey



# SBTN Toolkit: Today and Tomorrow

## **Initial Guidance "Toolkit"**

		LAND	WATER	OCEAN				
	λg Ε	Global Forest Watch	Water Risk Filter	Ocean+				
i	Tools by realm	trends.earth	Aqueduct	Plastic Scan				
	Climate change	Scope 3 Evaluator						
fic tools		GHGP Tool						
Issue-specific tools	Biodiversity (eco- systems, species, NCP)	Integrated Biodiversity Assessment Tool						
	Biodiver:	Glob	al Biodiversity Information Fac	ility				

	atial	InVEST
		UN Biodiversity Lab (previously Nature Map)
		Resource Watch
	Chain	(Environmentally Extended) Input-Output Models (e.g., EXIOBASE)
3 Tools	Supply Chain Modeling	trase.earth
Cross-cutting Tools	ality	ENCORE
Cross	Materiality Assessment	CDP (covering Water, Forests, and Climate)
	bases	Iris+
	ol Data	SHIFT
	Compiled Tool Databases	Biodiversity Guidance Navigation Tool
	Comp	Metrics Database



## Post-Initial Guidance Toolkit: Objectives

• **End of 2022:** A comprehensive toolkit that enables all types of companies to operationalise all Steps of the SBTs process.

#### December 2020 to June 2021

- Toolkit user needs assessment
- Review of existing tools/data
- Conceptual mock-up of tool functionalities and data required



## **Toolkit Design Brief - Key Considerations**

Defining a tool - anything that supports companies in the SBTs process

#### Audience

- Primary audience (target audience) companies seeking to operationalise the Initial Guidance
- Secondary audiences consultants, industry coalitions, investors, rating agencies and ESG data providers, governments, academics, NGOs
- Existing tools sign-post, build on, and complement (rather than duplicate/replace)
- Resources Options for companies with varying data availability

Initial ideas to be reviewed based on user needs assessment and tool scoping...



## **Toolkit Design Brief**



Data uploading

Builds on existing tools

Plurality of approaches

Suitable for non-technical users

Output timestamps

Easy to understand outputs

Specific terminology

SCIENCE BASED TARGETS NETWORK GLOBAL COMMONS ALLIANCE

Meets needs of primary audience

All steps of SBTs process

Options for differing data availability

## **Toolkit Design Brief**

#### **Desirable**

Meets needs of secondary audiences

Criteria for tools published

Incentivises high quality data

Open-access data and outputs

Automatic data updates

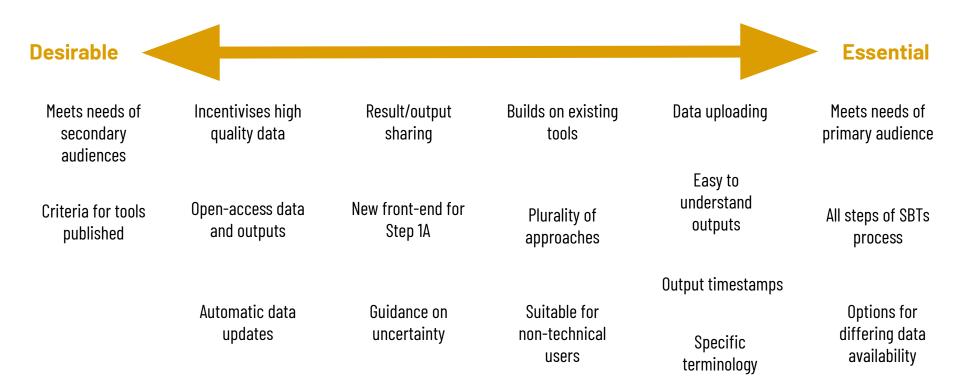
Result/output sharing

New front-end for Step 1A

Guidance on uncertainty



### **Menti Feedback**





### **Quick-Fire Feedback**

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### **Menti Questions**

- Do you agree with the initial ideas of the technical team just presented? [Select one: Strongly agree, Agree, Agree with some parts but disagree with others, Disagree, Strongly disagree]
- 2. Are there any further key considerations/suggestions that you would add to the SBTs toolkit design brief? [Open ended: let participants submit multiple times]
- 3. Which of the following phases of Step 1 Assess in the SBTs Initial Guidance for Business has your company carried out so far? [Select multiple: Step 1A Sector-level Materiality Assessment, Step 1B Value Chain Hotspot Assessment, Step 1C Company-level refinement, We haven't started yet]
- 4. Did you use any tools to support you in this? What were they and what did you use them for? [Open ended: let participants submit multiple times]



# **Engagement Program Topics and Schedule**

## Technical Development 2021: Key Questions

- For which sectors (or sub-industries) should setting a target on a given issue area be mandatory?
- How can a company get a "quick and dirty" understanding of their impacts/dependencies/restoration potential for a given issue area?
- What types of activity data are needed for assessing hotspots (Sites/locations, spend, physical activity)? How does this vary for known vs. unknown sourcing?
- What type of exclusions could be justified for companies in a sector defined as material?
- What key reasons might a company from a non-material sector want to set a target for this issue area?





## Technical Development 2021: Key Questions

- What proportion of companies' estimated impact must be covered by their targets?
- Can corporate actions in spheres of influence ('Scope 3') compensate for inaction/time-lags on outcomes in sphere of control ('Scope 1')?
- If minimum coverage is <100% of estimated impact, how should companies prioritize value chain components (places/sites, sourced inputs, etc) for inclusion in target?
- Can prioritization criteria be weighted similarly for all issue areas? Are there circumstances in which trade offs between criteria are acceptable?



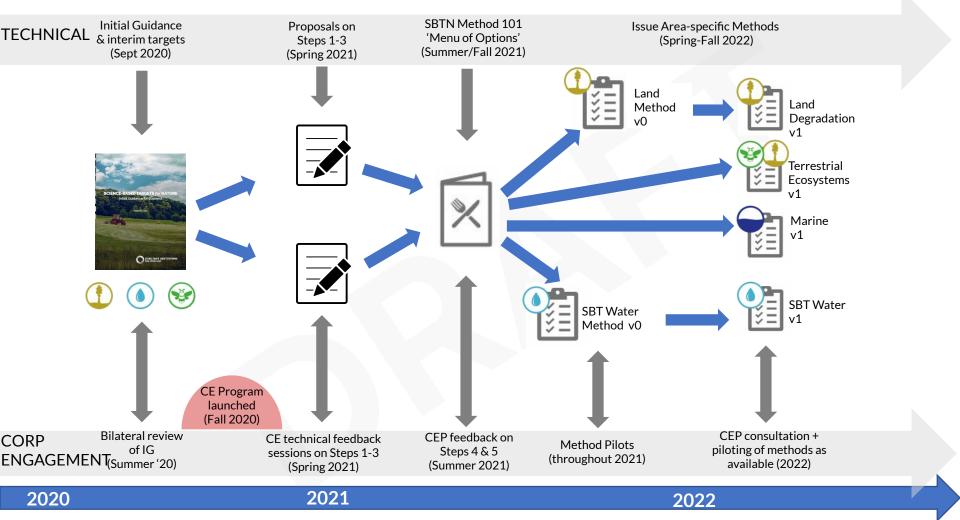


## Technical Development 2021: Key Questions

- For a given issue area, which key indicator(s) to be tracked by companies?
- What standard methods/tools exist to describe how the indicator should be calculated at the appropriate scope (value chain, site, input, etc.)?
- Can we provide standard guidance on reference levels for each issue area?
- What is the science-based ambition level for a target in a given issue area?
- How and where should a company disclose their target on a given issue? Who validates it?







## Technical Development: Cross-cutting Engagement Opportunities

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1. User needs workshop (toolkit development)	Early Feb 2021 2 hours	All members of the CEP - both direct tool users from company technical teams/consultancies, and users of tool outputs from corporate teams			
2. One-to-one user needs interviews (toolkit development)	Feb-March 2021 1 hour	Technical tool users - looking for perspectives from multiple sectors, value chain positions, geographies, company sizes, SBTi statuses, etc			
3. Feedback session on options for Step 1 & 2 (general technical development)	Late March 2021 2.5 hours	All members of CEP. Looking for people close to the target setting process, e.g. someone from technical team, a consultant or NGO partner who has worked on targets.	tool built for the SBTs process should look like and do.		



## Technical Development: Cross-cutting Engagement Opportunities

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4. Review draft user needs specification (toolkit development)	Early Apr 2021 1 hour	All members of the CEP - direct tool users and users of tool outputs, including both companies that have and have not participated in the	These sessions will be critical inputs to SBTN's technical development process.	
5. Focus groups session (toolkit development)	Early Apr 2021 1 hour	one-to-one interviews	For tool-specific opportunities, participants will shape our proposal for what a tool built for the SBTs process should look like and do.	
6. Feedback session on options for Step 3 (general technical development)	Late June 2021 2.5 hours	All members of CEP. Looking for people close to the target setting process, e.g. someone from technical team, a consultant or NGO partner who has worked on targets.		



## Technical work: Engagement opportunities

Opportunity		January	Febr	uary	Marc	<b>:</b> h	Apri	il	May	Ju	ne
1.	User needs workshop (toolkit development)										
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## Communications

## **Communications**

The Science Based Targets Network's power lies in its collective voice





## Storytelling

#### Your stories: an essential source of inspiration

- Challenges
- Business benefits
- Innovations / solutions
- Local communities
- Areas of nature with any special interest
- Inspirational people







## **Sharing Content**

Amplification is the Science Based Target Network's superpower

Social media

Other channels

Media and events





## Closing

## Resources

- Within 1 year of joining, members must use the Guidance to complete (or benchmark against if already done) Step 1: Assess and provide feedback using a survey we will email you
- 2. Provide feedback on the Guidance using the following survey
- 3. Corporate Engagement Members communications pack
- 4. Members-only <u>website portal</u> contains important documents and videos, engagement opportunities, member announcements, questions you hav, and videos.
  - Email announcements, best practices/barriers or questions to post on the page: <u>corporate-engagement@sciencebasedtargetsnetwork.org</u>
  - Password: SBTNProgram



## **Engagement and Learning Dates**\*

- Feb TBD, likely 2nd week of Feb
- Thursday March 11, 8-9:30 am ET
- Thursday April 8, 8-9:30 am ET
- Thursday May 13, 8-9:30 am ET
- Thursday June 3, 8-9:30 am ET

<sup>\*</sup>Dates/Times subject to change. We will strive to give you as much advanced warning as possible.



## **Key Contacts**

 General and administrative questions about the corporate engagement program:
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## Appendix





#### 6 collective meetings to:

- Present each step and dedicated tools
- Share best practices and gather feedback

French CEP working group by



Individual and personalized support

- 6 to 8 work meetings between BL and each company
- Help to achieve step 1 of the methodology and first goal definition

Participation, information, fees: contact Sylvain Boucherand entreprises@bl-evolution.com

Collective communi-cati on

- Webinars
- Working group report and summary
- Feedback to the SBTN on step 1



## **Today's Speakers**



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## **SBTN Team**



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