

**January 26, 2022** 

SCIENCE BASED TARGETS NETWORK

GLOBAL COMMONS ALLIANCE

## Today's session

 Target: SBTN Partners and CEP members will have a shared understanding of SBTN's work to date and be mobilized toward near-term opportunities and priorities for their involvement.

#### Objectives:

- Reconnect on the big picture: SBTN momentum and progress to date
- Provide updates on key workstreams and offers/requests for involvement
- Equip you with what you need right now to play your role with SBTN

# \*Please rename yourself in the following format: Name - Org



What can a company or city do to ensure it's doing its part for an equitable, net zero, nature positive future?

## **Global Momentum**



- ★ FIRST Nature Day
- **★** FIRST Nature Zone
- **★** FIRST Nature Newsroom
- ★ Nature 10% of global media coverage



Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures

## nature

Protect, manage and then restore lands for climate mitigation | Nature.com

#### IN THE NEWS:

3 steps to start protecting biodiversity and your business | GreenBiz

Halt destruction of nature or risk 'dead planet' leading businesses warn. The Guardian

Why protecting the planet is essential to preventing future pandemics | CNN

Why the palm oil industry needs targets for nature | Eco-Business

World leaders gear up to tackle biodiversity loss. Fashion should pay attention | Vogue Business















## **Corporate Engagement Program members**





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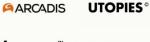




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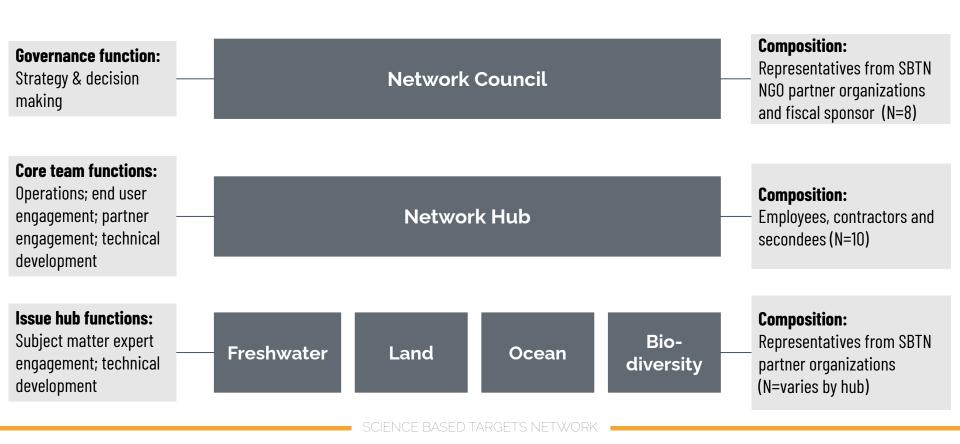








## **SBTN** structure





#### **Network Hub**

**Executive Director: Erin Billman** 

Assistant: Christine Southam

Operations Lead: Erin O'Grady

#### Technical Development

Technical Director: TBC\*

Technical Coordinator: Samantha McCraine

Science Translation Lead: Oscar Sabag

Accounting Lead: Juliette Pugliesi

## Engagement

Corporate Engagement Lead: Jess McGlyn

Program Associate: Sarah Bausmith

#### Financial Sector

Lead:

Elizabeth

Aceituno

Engagement

Cities

Lead: N/A

Marketing & Comms

Lead:

Arabella

Stickels

Technical Communications: Emma Marsden

<sup>\*</sup>Search actively underway

## Workstreams you'll hear from today

## 1. Technical Development

- Cross-cutting work on nature
- Issue hub specific work (freshwater, land, ocean and biodiversity)

### 2. Engagement

- Corporate
- Finance sector

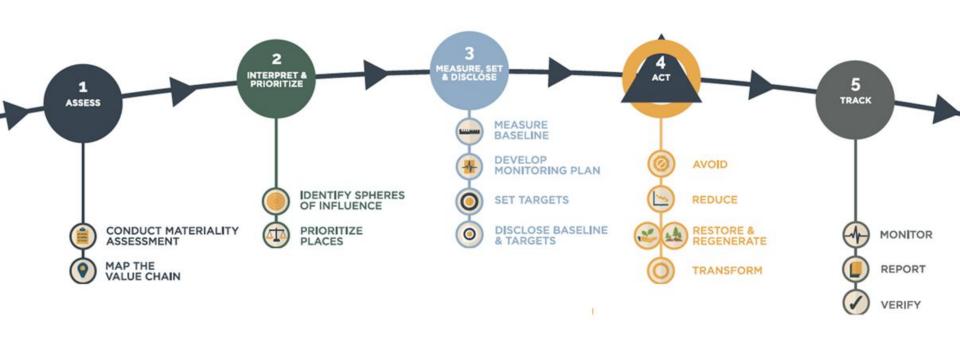
## 3. Marketing and communications

## Technical development

- 1. Refresh on key concepts
- 2. Recap ground covered to date
- 3. What we're focusing on next & how you can help

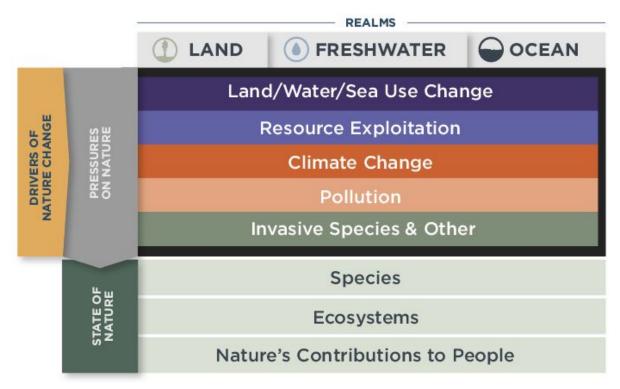


## **How to Set SBTs for Nature?**





## What issues do SBTs address?



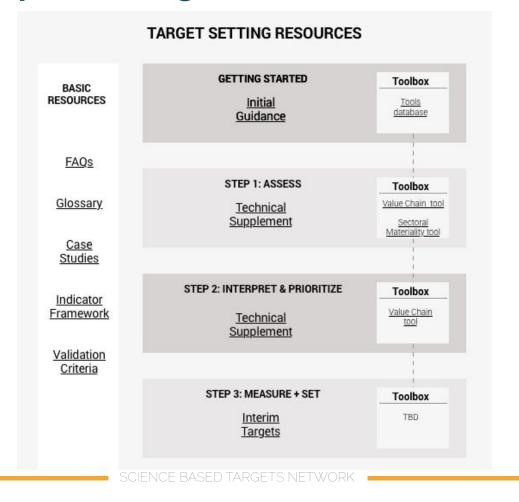
Note: this framework is based on the IPBES 2019 Global Assessment.



# What are we developing to help enable companies to set SBTs?



## The user experience: guidance, methods, and tools



# Complement to the Initial Guidance: Technical Supplements to Steps 1 & 2

#### Why we've produced these documents

- Meeting needs of companies and partners using the guidance to prepare for setting SBTs
- Adding further detail to ensure compatibility with target-setting methods under development (in particular: freshwater)

#### Key questions tackled

 Scope of assessment, tools to use in pressure/impact assessment, indicators to use in pressure/impact assessment and prioritization

#### **Current status**

Under review by experts from our partners and CEP members

# Complement to the Initial Guidance: Tools for Steps 1 & 2

#### Overview of the tools

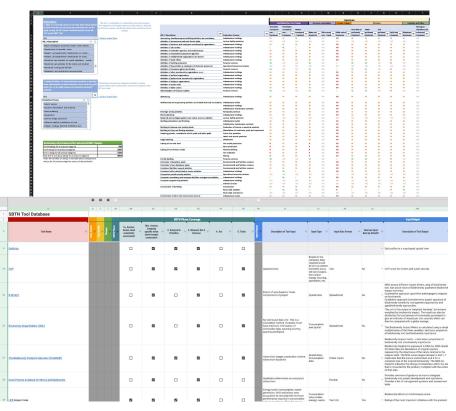
- Tools database (Steps 1-5)
- Sectoral Materiality Tool (Step 1a)
- Value Chain Review Tool (Step 1b & Step 2)

#### Why we've produced these

 Meeting needs of companies and partners trialling the guidance + inputs to tech. dev.

#### **Current status**

Under development (all)



## Technical development: upcoming priorities

Ensure Step 1 & 2 technical supplements and supporting tools are ready to use alongside initial SBTN methods for freshwater, when these are publicly released (May 2022)

Advance additional methods under development (for land and biodiversity)

3 Kickstart development of other methods to cover additional issue areas (such as freshwater biodiversity, oceans)

# Technical development: Key milestones for first half of 2022



March 2022



Supplement review launch (internal)

Share 'Technical Supplements to Steps 1 & 2' with SBTN partners & corporate engagement program for their review Methods for freshwater SBTs internal review

Share draft method to SBTN partners & corporate engagement program for review Public consultation on methods for freshwater and technical supplements

Release method for freshwater SBTs & Supplements publicly, via our website & webinars

## Technical development: How you can help

## If you are a technical expert or member of the CEP:

 Please ensure you provide input to our team on the Technical Supplements and supporting materials by February 24th

## If you are a representative of your organization (SBTN partner or Global Commons Alliance member):

 Please ensure your colleagues are aware of the key updates to the guidance, and that any additional experts are referred to our team for inclusion in the review

Please note: this a closed review process open to experts from our partners and CEP members. Draft documents are NOT intended for wide circulation.

## Freshwater Hub update

#### **SBTN** Freshwater Hub partners:











**SBTN Freshwater Hub funder:** 



## Freshwater Hub update

#### 1. Ground taken to date

- Three Pilots Steps 1 and 2 completed and work underway on Step 3
- Companies piloting independently SBT Freshwater Hub's advisory role
- Step 1 and 2 Freshwater methods incorporated into SBTN guidance







## Freshwater Hub update

#### 2. Current priorities

- Complete Step 3 piloting and update Step 3 Freshwater methods [to be sent for review in March 2022]
- Update Step 3 Freshwater methods based on feedback [to be published in May 2022]
- Support development of SBTN tools and communication materials

#### 3. How you can be involved

- Feedback to Steps 1 and 2 Freshwater methods [now]
- Feedback to Step 3 Freshwater methods [to be sent for review in March 2022]

Please reach out to Erin Billman <u>erin@sbtnetwork.org</u> & Erin O'Grady <u>erin.o@sbtnetwork.org</u> if you have funding opportunities (from June 2022) to continue our work on Steps 4 and 5.

## **Land Hub update**

- 1. Commodity Impact Estimation
- 2. Advancing SBTN Land
- 3. Place-based Approaches
- 4. Advancement in Climate Targets

# Commodity impact estimation

This work is exploring how to estimate and communicate several land-based impacts of the production and sourcing of six commodities.



The SBTN Land Hub contracted Quantis Intl. in the summer of 2021 to help develop these impact estimates using additions to their geoFootprint methodology and spatial tool.

The intent is to use these methods to test the effectiveness of the SBTN Land Hub draft indicators for land transformation and land occupation and to provide companies with a way to estimate their land impacts whether they have specific sourcing locations or not. Scheduled to conclude at the end of May 2022, the workplan includes:

- Method and tool development
- Corporate pilots
- Method and tool refinement
- Launch of tools

## Advancing Science-based Targets for Land

#### What are we doing?

Developing methodologies, guidance and tools for companies to set science-based targets for nature linked to land occupation and land transformation.

#### Why is this work critical?

- There is corporate demand for it with >80 companies with \$4 tn market cap involved in the SBTN Corporate Engagement programme already.
- There is a need to "course correct" companies towards system-level, holistic solutions with climate and nature outcomes.
- There is a risk that costs and benefits of tech-based climate solutions versus NBS are not fully considered.
- Net zero climate commitments are putting pressure on the land sector for deliver carbon credits for purchase by non-agriculture/ forest sector.

#### 5 streams of work:

- Objective 1: Align land indicators across Hubs & NCPs
- Objective 2: Create regionalized 'draft' thresholds
- Objective 3: Develop Land target-setting methodology
- Objective 4: Provide technical guidance and resources for companies
- Objective 5: Launch SBT Land Hub methodology and promote uptake

#### Our partners & donors:















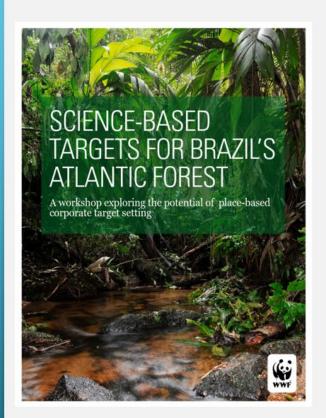


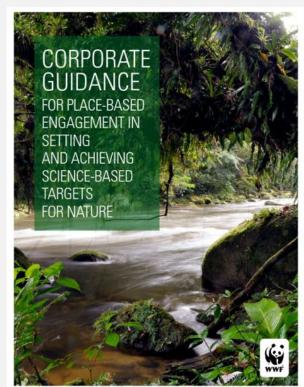


# Science-based Targets for Brazil's Atlantic Forest

&

Corporate guidance for place-based engagement





Two
complementary
projects on landbased emissions



## GHG PROTOCOL Land Sector and Removals Guidance

Scope: Develop updated and improved Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol guidance for companies in the land sector and to include removals

WRI, WBCSD



# SCIENCE-BASED TARGETS INITIATIVE (SBTi) Forests, Land, and Agriculture (FLAG)

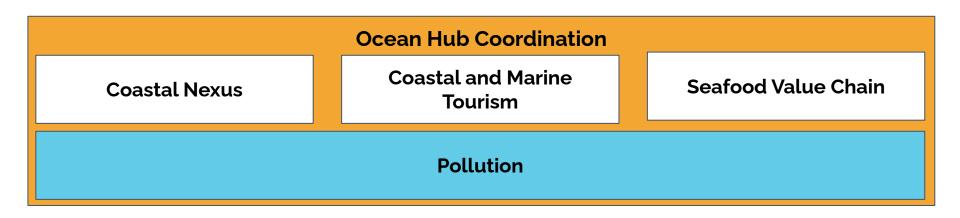
Scope: Develop methods and guidance to enable companies to set science-based targets (SBTs) that include forests, land, and agriculture (FLAG) emissions and removals

**WWF** 

## Ocean Hub update

#### **Seed funding enabled:**

- 1. Interim coordinator in place
- 2. Launch strategy co-creation among key stakeholders



# Existing fisheries work could provide starting point for rapid progress on ocean SBTs

Selected Frameworks	Туре	Commercia l Fisheries	_	Fisheries Finance
Sustainable Development Goal 14	Intergov. targets fw			
Aichi Biodiversity Targets	Intergov. targets fw			
FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries	Guidance framework			
Aquaculture Stewardship Council	Guidance framework			
Principles for Investment in Sust. Wild Caught Fisheries	Guidance framework			
MSC Certification	Disclosure platform			
Sustainable Fisheries Partnership: Target 75	Disclosure platform			
Ocean Health Index	Disclosure platform			
Ocean Disclosure Project	Disclosure platform			
SeaBOS	Best practice			
Policy Benchmarking Tool: Regional Seafood method.	Best practice			



## Ocean hub current priorities

#### Two key priorities:

- 1. Resource mobilization
- 2. Launch workstream(s) funding dependent

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## **Biodiversity Hub update**

#### Key questions to address in the next period:

- How CBD Post 2020 Framework, work of the Earth Commission and other international conventions interact with our work
- How biodiversity components integrate with the other methods under development.

## **Species**

Development of Species Threat Abatement and Restoration Metric

 STAR (Species Threat Abatement and Restoration) metric, building from IUCN Red List of Threatened Species available though IBAT.

## **Ecosystems**

Development of an Ecosystem Integrity Index

- Final methodology of EII under development, to be published in late 2022.
- Integration within SBTN wider process (across steps and realms) in focus for 2022.

## **NCPs**

Working on Nature's Contribution to People

- NCP models piloted for specific services, for both assessment and forecasting.
- Analytical methods for cotton and leather in process, viscose under development.
- Exploring improved linkages w/ on-farm practices, as well as estimation methods correlated with EII.

## **Biodiversity Hub update**

#### **Current Biodiversity Hub priorities**

- Develop method components for target setting, focus on species and ecosystems; to be integrated within other SBTN target setting methods
- Align and set priorities and areas of focus in 2022 and beyond, to seek relevant funding

#### How you can be involved?

 Share lessons learned in your efforts to set and report on biodiversity commitments (including using different metrics from ones detailed here).

## **Corporate Engagement**

**Progress To Date** 

Companies working on SBTs for nature

90+

30

\$4 trillion

Companies

Countries

Market cap

55<sup>+</sup> Partners























Referral Program

40+

12

Specialist consultants

Languages

**125+** Corporate Engagement Program (CEP) members

from

11

sectors

## Corporate Engagement Current Priorities

- Incorporating end-user feedback and designing products that work well for end-user (shared priority with Technical Team)
- Ensuring that companies getting ready to set SBTs for nature have up-to-date technical development information
- Empowering SBTN partner network to build awareness in private sector and help get companies ready to set SBTs for nature
- Recruiting to CEP/Referral Program from developing and emerging markets

## **Corporate Engagement**

#### **How To Get Involved**

#### Offers:

- 1. Join office hours, first Monday of every month, 9-10 am Eastern time (starting February 7)
- 2. Continue to pilot products/give feedback as opportunities arise

#### Requests:

- Recruit companies to Corporate Engagement Program
- 2. Recruit service providers to Referral Program

# Finance Sector Working Group

- CDP
- CERES
- Church of England Commissioners
- FAIRR
- Finance for Biodiversity Foundation
- F4B Initiative
- Planet Tracker
- Porticus
- ShareAction
- UNEP-FI
- UN PRI
- World Benchmarking Alliance
- WWF

### **Finance Sector**

#### **Current Priorities**

 Goal: Engage with financial institutions as levers for adoption of SBTs for nature

#### Key targets:

- Identify and influence key initiatives like TNFD, ISSB, etc. to include nature and align with SBTN's work (metrics, definitions)
- Identify and be present at key industry events to talk about SBTN
- Offers: Alignment with TNFD, reflected in our role as core knowledge partner





The Science Based Targets Network is pleased to be a core knowledge partner of the TNFD. As we finalize the methods for companies to understand and limit their nature-related risks and set science-based targets for nature, we are collaborating to align our guidance for companies with TNFD's forthcoming disclosure framework.

#### Erin Billman

Executive Director, Science Based Targets Network

## Accessible content + user experience

#### SBTN guidance highlights:

https://sciencebasedtargetsnetwork. org/quidance-highlights/



# Reinforcing no regrets actions

**SBTN No regrets actions messaging** 

1.

UNDERSTAND YOUR IMPACTS & DEPENDENCIES ON NATURE

**FOLLOW OUR GUIDANCE** 

2.

SET INTERIM TARGETS

VIEW OUR
RECOMMENDATIONS

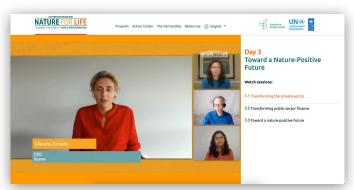
3.

LEAD THE WAY

JOIN OUR CORPORATE ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

Please share our calls-to-action and content with your communications team for integration when relevant

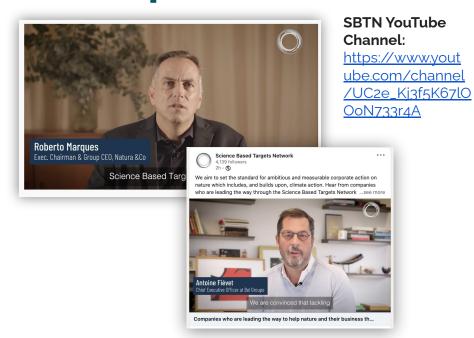
## In the voice of companies



UNDP Nature for Life Hub



**COP26 Nature Newsroom** 



Opportunity for companies and partners to participate in case studies and video testimonials - contact arabella@sbtnetwork.org

# **Looking Ahead**

## Three key priorities for the network

#### Technical direction

Put in place next chapter of technical leadership

Refresh 1- and 3- year plan for technical development

Establish initial target setting infrastructure

#### **Sufficient resources**

Accelerate and deepen fundraising efforts

Ensure sustainable operating model

#### Focused delivery

Deliver 'minimum viable product' within this year

Maintain transparency and collaboration; and manage expectations

# Position opening: SBTN Technical Director

#### Looking for full time candidates

Secondees from partners or strong external candidates

Contact Erin Billman (erin@sbtnetwork.org)

# Partner key developments

World Benchmarking Alliance: <u>public consultation</u> on the draft methodology for the Nature and Biodiversity Benchmark - running until 2 March

Business for Nature: <u>CBD negotiations</u>, input to Target 15 indicators

SBTi: <u>public consultation</u> on Forest, Land and Agriculture targets - running until 18 February

WBCSD: <u>Nature positive building blocks</u>

# Thank you!

Mark your calendar for April 21, 2022 at 10am ET for the next SBTN partner session

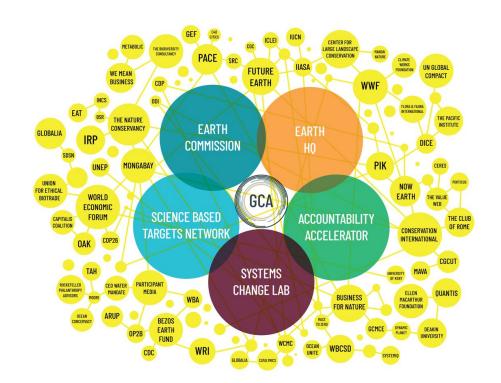
# Q&A from the session can be found here.

# Global Commons Alliance (GCA), driving convergence in a fragmented ecosystem Alignment in narrative & action from 70+ world-leading partners

#### **Our Mission:**

Empower citizens, cities, companies and countries to become stewards of the global commons





#### We have three priorities for the next three years at the GCA



MINDSET SHIFT | Mainstream a scientific understanding of humanity's critical dependence on the Global Commons, the existential threat posed by its tipping points, and develop safe and just guardrails for people and planet



MECHANISMS FOR ACTION | Scale the adoption and implementation of science-based targets for the Global Commons amongst companies and cities, including through engagement with governments



SYSTEMIC APPROACHES | Facilitate convergence of key actors around an equitable and systemic approach to stewarding the Global Commons through research, data, tools and facilitation at local and global levels