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From Principles to Practice: Unlocking Energy Efficiency through Responsible Banking

37th ECBC Plenary Meeting

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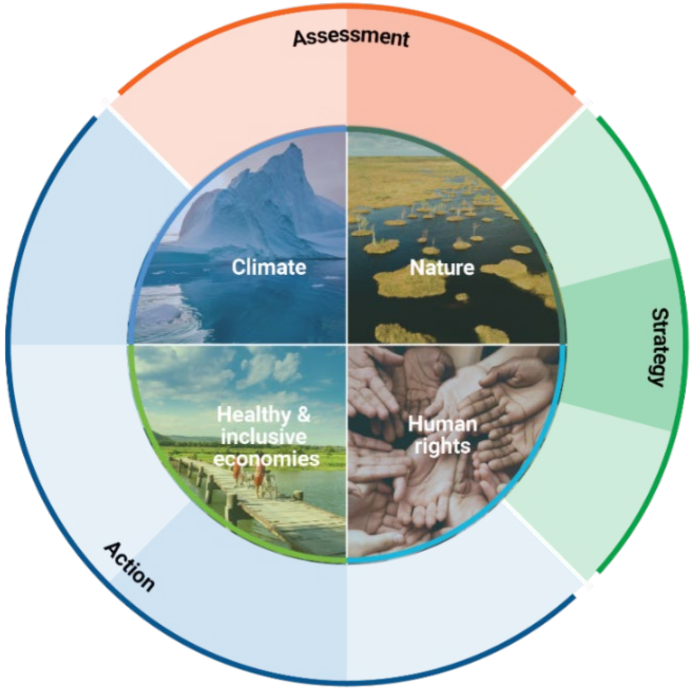
The UN Principles for Responsible Banking (PRB)



- **bring together an unparalleled global community** that can drive progress and innovation, support transition, strengthen resilience, and help create a Responsible Banking System.

- provide the framework to **support and guide banks** in integrating and acting on relevant sustainability impacts, risks and opportunities across their entire business.

Growing the community

Figures and geographic distribution as of September 2024- [Five Years of the Principles for Responsible Banking Infographic]

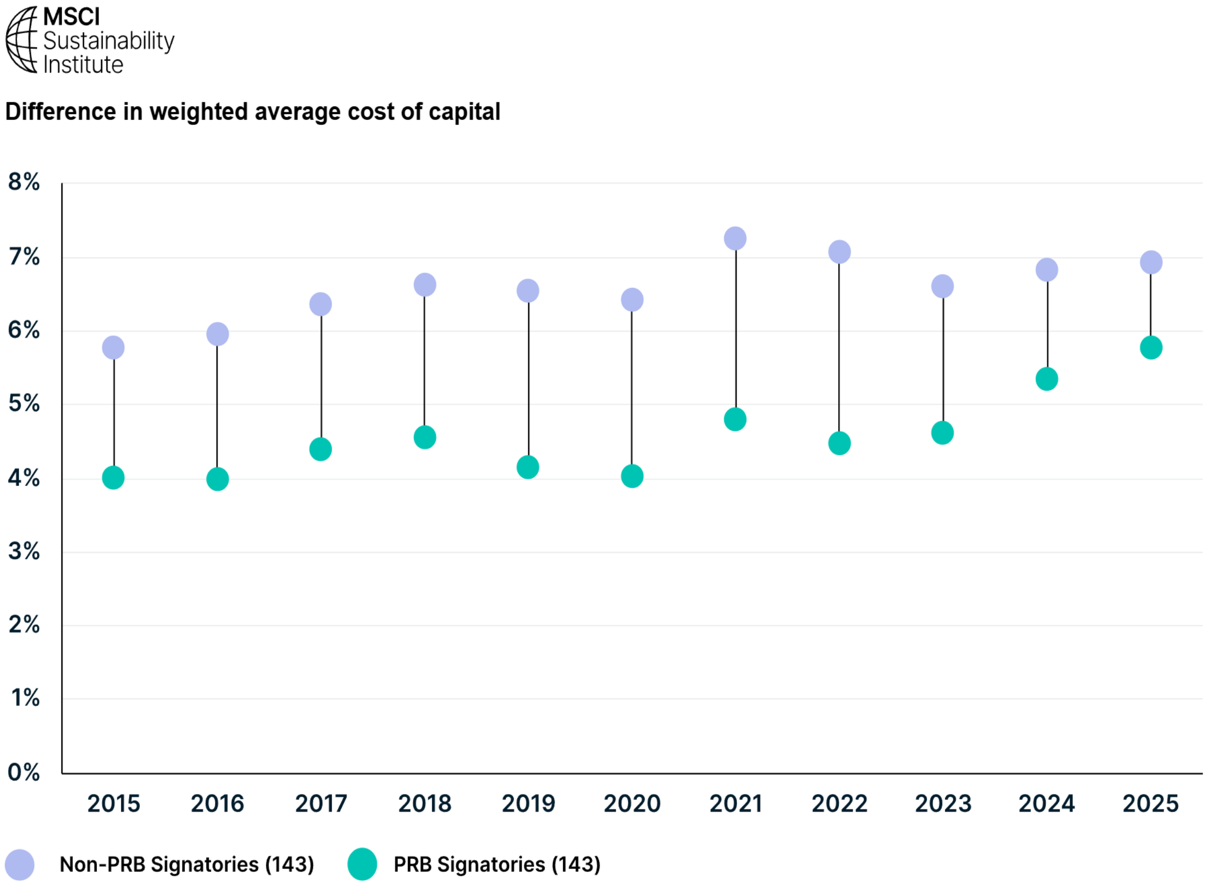
Do commitments matter?

MSCI Sustainability Institute Analysis

- Sector-specific credit-risk policies adopted in emissions-intensive sectors, e.g. utilities:
  69% of PRB signatories vs 24%

- Executive pay linked to sustainability performance,
  66% of PRB signatories vs 42%

- Offer sustainability-related financial products,
  90% of PRB signatories vs 44%



Source: MSCI ESG Research, based on propensity score matching of 143 PRB member and non-member institutions within MSCI's ESG Ratings coverage. Data covers the period August 31, 2015 to March 31, 2025.

Regional Roundtable Europe 2025 – United Nations Environment – Finance Initiative

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European Energy Efficiency Financing Coalition

- EU Commission convened, UNEP FI privileged partner
- Objective: to facilitate the mobilisation of private financing for energy efficiency investments
- High-level participation from Coalition members
- EU-wide technical expertise in two Focus Areas “Real Estate” and “Enterprises”
- Focus on national market solutions → ”National Hubs”

- **Ongoing:**

  Call for Membership: FIs and Industry by 30 September

  Call for Working Group Members under FA “Enterprises” by 30 October

27 EU Member States

49 Financial Institutions +

Industry +

UNEP FI Webinar Series: Implementation Support for Energy Efficiency Finance

- Thematic webinars offering comprehensive insights into the current energy efficiency finance landscape
- Outline risks and opportunities related to financing energy efficiency projects;
- Examine real-world case studies of energy efficiency financing projects, identifying key lessons learned

- Open to PRB signatories and *exclusively* to EEEFIN Coalition members

- First cycle: March – June 2025
  - ✓ 35 – 60 attendees per session
  - ✓ 17 – 37 FIs represented
  - ✓ 9 – 21 countries

- **Stay tuned:** Deep-dive sessions in Q4’2025

Thank you

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