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Scaling Nature-Positive Investments through the Nature Solutions Finance Hub

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Nature for Development: Advancing Economic Growth, Livelihoods, and Resilience

Economy depends on nature

» Healthy ecosystems contribute to **over 75%** GDP in Asia and the Pacific [1] whereas

» Nature-positive development could generate over **$4 trillion** in business and create about **232 million jobs** per year in Asia by 2030. [2]

» The global biodiversity funding gap stands at about **$900 billion annually**. [3]

[1] AIGCC, PwC 2024
[2] Temasek 2021

[3] Paulson Institute 2021
[4] APCR 2025

75% of Asia-Pacific GDP Depends on Nature [4]

Nature is productive capital powering agriculture, fisheries, forestry, and tourism.

Livelihoods and Productivity

- **$10.1T business opportunities + 395M jobs by 2030** from green investment
- **+38–53% rice yields** through conservation agriculture

Fiscal Benefits

- **50% lower cost** than gray infrastructure
- **Up to $248B/year saved**
- Coral reefs avoid **$3–23M/year** in coastal damages (Pacific SIDS)

Climate Mitigation and Resilience

- **16.2 GtCO_2 mitigation (~$3.6T) by 2050** in Asia-Pacific
- **$1 → $7–30 return** from forest restoration

Public Health

- **$2.2T/year saved** from mental health benefits of national parks
- **1.7B diarrhea cases/year preventable** with safe water and sanitation

The Solution: Merging NbS with Innovative Finance

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NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS (NbS)

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INNOVATIVE FINANCE APPROACHES

NbS are actions and policies that protect, manage, and restore natural ecosystems, while addressing societal challenges

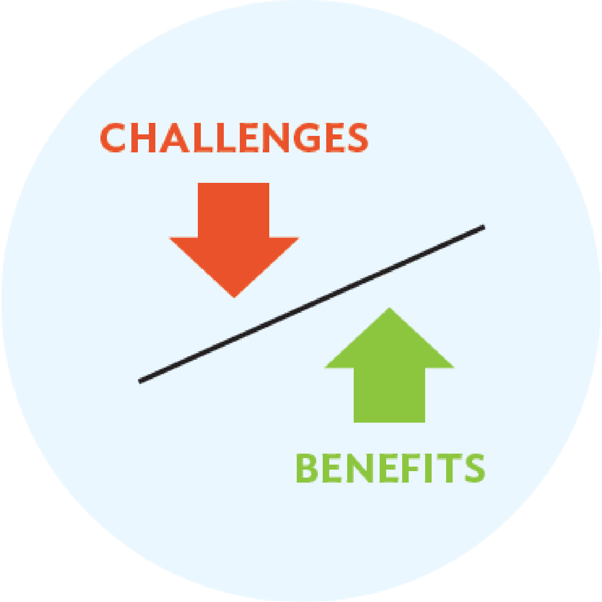
CHALLENGES

» Lack of a scalable pipeline of NbS projects

» Lack of innovative finance approaches to scale up private capital flows

» Risk perception of investing in natural capital

» Underdeveloped innovative market instruments such as nature bonds and credits



BENEFITS

» Protection of biodiversity

» Reduction in carbon

» Inclusive growth and improved livelihood

» Healthy ecosystems contribute to **$18 trillion or 53% of GDP in Asia and the Pacific**

» Nature-positive development could generate over **$4 trillion in business** and **create about 232 million jobs per year in Asia by 2030**.

The Nature Solutions Finance Hub

Scaling Nature Finance for Climate Resilience

NSFH Vision

Transforming finance to integrate nature-based solutions (NbS) into mainstream investments, achieving measurable climate and biodiversity outcomes.

2030 Objective

The NSFH aims to catalyze at least **$5 billion** in capital flows into NbS investments across Asia and the Pacific by 2030.

NSFH Timeline

- **Dec 2023:** NSFH Launch at COP 28, Dubai
- **Apr 2024:** 1st Partners Forum, Vienna
- **Nov 2024:** NSFH Technical Assistance Approved
- **Feb 2025:** NSFH initiated NbS support for Philippines, Thailand, and Uzbekistan.
- **Mar 2025:** 2nd Partners Forum, Bangkok
- **Apr 2025:** EU approved €15 million
- **May 2025:** GIZ-NSFH partnership mission
- **Jul 2025:** Paris Dialogue on Innovative Finance for Nature
- **Nov 2025:** BMZ-GIZ Partnership with NSFH (€3 million)
- **Dec 2025:** EU signing of €15 million Cooperation Agreement

NSFH Vision and Strategy
3 Pillars and 2 Targets Approved

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PILLAR 1

Investment pipeline development

{Investment Framework}

PILLAR 2

Nature Finance and Financial derisking

{Financial Framework]

PILLAR 3

Capacity and policy Development

[Governance Framework]

2026

- **3 flagship projects prepared**
- **6 prefeasibility studies**
- **Nature Bond Incubator piloted in Thailand and the Philippines**

$2 billion
mobilized
by 2028

- **5 major NbS programs approved**
- **Incubator mainstreamed across 10–15 DMCs**

$5 billion
nature-positive investments catalyzed
15% private capital
by 2030

- **ADB Strategy 2040 to include biodiversity and conservation, and NbS targets**

Scaling Nature-Positive Landscapes: The FIELD Initiative and NSFH Alignment

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