

## Scope 3 Innovation Forum

### A strategy for climate competitiveness

16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> June, Amsterdam

#### Day 1 - Strategy, standards, and competitiveness

##### 9.00-9.45 **Reality check: Is Scope 3 ambition translating to real world progress?**

Five years into the 'decade of decarbonisation', many companies have made real progress toward their climate commitments. But with low hanging fruit gone, the major challenge of Scope 3 remains. And despite ambitious commitments, measurable progress remains slow and uneven.

This opening plenary will take stock of where we stand, what's working, and where momentum is stalling. We will ask our panel to discuss:

- How far are commitments delivering real-world investment and emissions reduction?
- What are the biggest implementation bottlenecks? From data and finance to supplier engagement
- How to distinguish between credible progress and greenwash
- What does the latest science say about corporate progress vs global ambition?

##### 9.45-10.30 **Science Based Targets 2.0: How standards revision will incentivise investment and action in the short term**

The second consultation draft of SBTi's Corporate Net-Zero Standard V2.0 brings a step-change in how companies are expected to plan, act and disclose on net-zero. The revisions introduce new frameworks for responsibility over ongoing emissions, strengthened transition planning, and higher integrity requirements – with clear implications for value-chain decarbonisation and supply-chain investment.

- How will the new SBTi framework reshape corporate climate targets and accountability?
- What "taking responsibility for ongoing emissions" really means in practice
- How companies can integrate transition planning, financing and supplier engagement under new rules
- Will tougher assurance and transparency requirements drive more credible – or more cautious – commitments?

10.30-11.10 Networking break

##### 11.10-11.50 **Policy alignment: How linking business strategy to national climate roadmaps can accelerate the shift to net zero**

Alignment between business strategy and national roadmaps can provide a clear, consistent and predictable policy framework that mobilizes private investment and fosters innovation. Business and government can unlock investment and accelerate emissions reduction by reinforcing each other's climate plans.

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In this session, we'll assess what this means for business, NDCs and a shift from compliance to long-term, integrated action.

- How can multi-national businesses map decarbonisation efforts to national transition pathways across jurisdictions
- The role of public-private collaboration and sectoral alliances to scale infrastructure and innovation
- How to navigate policy fragmentation across markets and regions
- The opportunities to unlock finance, incentives and long-term planning stability

**11.50-12.30 A strategy for climate competitiveness: Reframing Scope 3 as a driver of risk mitigation, resilience and supply security**

Decarbonisation is not a moral or an ethical issue for business. It is essential for competitiveness. Climate adaptation and supply chain resilience are key to business continuity and long-term success.

This discussion will look at how forward-looking companies consider climate action as core to business strategy. We'll assess:

- How Scope 3 strategies can reduce volatility, improve supply chain security and deliver a tangible ROI
- The financial and operational advantages of embedding climate resilience into procurement
- How to demonstrate the business value in long-term investment into supplier decarbonisation
- Practical steps to integrate Scope 3 targets into enterprise risk management

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30-5.00 Breakout sessions

Track 1 – Energy transition	Track 2 – Supply chain engagement	Track 3 – Technology, data and processes	Workshops
Accounting for shared impact: how to attribute Scope 3 reductions across multi-buyer projects	Internal alignment and education: Programs to engage procurement, finance and legal	Scope 3 emissions monitoring: How is the latest tech improving data validation and application	Navigating standards and voluntary initiatives: A practical guide to overlap, conflict and how best to allocate internal resources
Power purchase agreements: How brands can partner to deliver renewable capacity at scale through supply chains	Emissions reduction beyond tier 1: Supplier perspectives into the engagement programs that actually work	Product carbon footprint: How to achieve alignment in industry and harmonisation across approaches	

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Hidden emissions: Are data centres a Scope 3 catastrophe in the making?	Nature based solutions: Practical examples of how brands can deliver real impact and measure progress	AI for scope 3: The opportunities, limitations and real-world applications of AI and advanced tech	Practical approaches to shared impact accounting: Lessons learned from existing partnerships
Heat and process energy: quantifying low-carbon transitions in industrial supply chains	A practical guide to insetting: Strategy, implementation, measurement and reporting	Bad apples or systemic failure: What's wrong with offsets?	

## Day 2 Procurement, resilience, and finance

### 9.00-9.45 **Aligning purchasing decisions with Scope 3 targets: Carbon pricing, climate contracts and the procurement processes that work**

Procurement has become one of the most powerful levers for Scope 3 decarbonisation. Done right, business can benefit from efficiency gains, enhanced supplier relationships and a more competitive, resilient supply base. But it isn't easy to rollout change at scale.

This session will explore:

- How to integrate carbon pricing and internal cost mechanisms into buying decisions
- What's the right balance between supplier incentives and enforcement? From preferred supplier programs to climate clauses in contracts
- How to integrate Scope 3 targets into procurement KPIs
- Clear examples of how companies have linked carbon pricing to drive supplier competitiveness and demonstrate measurable emissions reductions

### 9.45-10.30 **Climate resilient supply: How are leading companies integrating adaptation into their climate transition planning**

Climate impacts now disrupt supply chains even more frequently than geopolitical or financial shocks. Adaptation is critical to ensuring business continuity and social stability.

Our panel will discuss:

How are businesses mapping physical climate risks and integrating resilience into supplier management?  
 How can companies prioritise adaptation investments within broader transition plans?  
 What does the intersection between adaptation, human rights, and long-term value protection look like in practice?  
 What does "climate resilient supply" really mean for global companies today? Is it possible to attribute an ROI?

10.30-11.00 Networking break

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## 11.00–11.45 **GHG accounting standards: How the evolving landscape will impact measurement, disclosure and corporate climate strategy**

The GHG Protocol is undergoing its first major update in over a decade. With revisions to the Scope 3 Standard and increasing alignment with frameworks such as CSRD, ISSB, and the SBTi, companies will need to rethink how they measure, manage, and disclose emissions across their value chains. This session will unpack what these changes mean in practice.

We'll discuss:

- What key updates to the GHG Protocol mean for corporate GHG accounting and Scope 3 measurement
- How alignment between the GHG Protocol, CSRD, and SBTi could reshape disclosure and target-setting
- How companies can prepare for stricter data quality and verification expectations
- Will harmonisation finally bring clarity – or create new challenges for comparability across industries?

## 11.45–12.30 **Net zero banking collapse: What does this mean for the future of climate finance?**

The recent wave of defections from major climate-finance initiatives (such as the NZBA) signals more than just reputational risk—it reflects systemic pressure across policy, investment, and banking models.

This plenary will explore the implications for business and supply chain decarbonisation. We'll discuss:

- What does the breakdown of net-zero banking alliances mean for private capital mobilisation?
- How companies can diversify funding sources for supply chain investment
- Opportunities for blended and collective finance models to fill the gap
- How business can maintain progress amid financial and political headwinds

12.30–1.30 Lunch

1.30–3.00 Roundtables

Roundtable A: **What to do when suppliers are unwilling or unable to play ball?**

Roundtable B: **How to benchmark business performance against targets and competition**

Roundtable C: **Just transition: How to integrate social justice in a rounded climate action plan**

Roundtable D: **Regional transformation: THE opportunity in cross-sector collaboration**

Roundtable E: **Barriers to 2030: What's going to prevent business from reaching short term targets?**

Roundtable F: **Supply chain heat decarbonisation: How to unlock low-carbon thermal energy in global supply chains**

3.00–3.15 Wrap-up and closing remarks

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