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What are the external drivers to businesses



ENVIRONMENTAL DRIVERS



ENVIRONMENT AGENDA TODAY

Environmental agenda moved forward

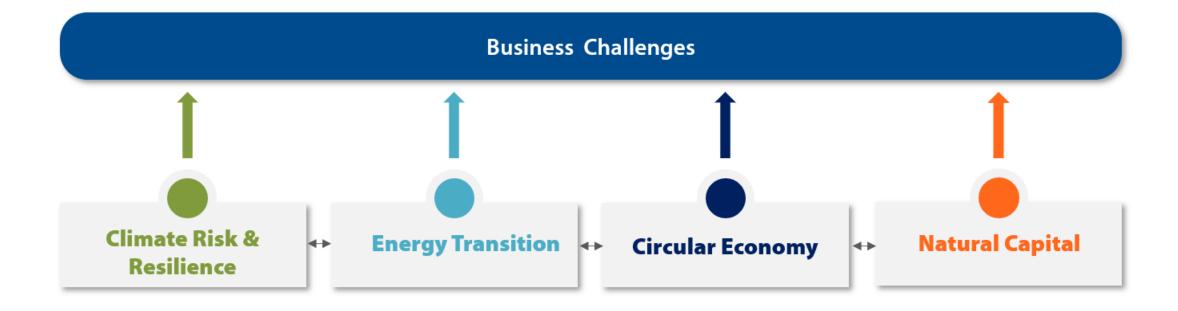
COP26 pledges and awareness

Significant challenges for all businesses

Environment Act passed 2021



ENVIRONMENT DRIVERS



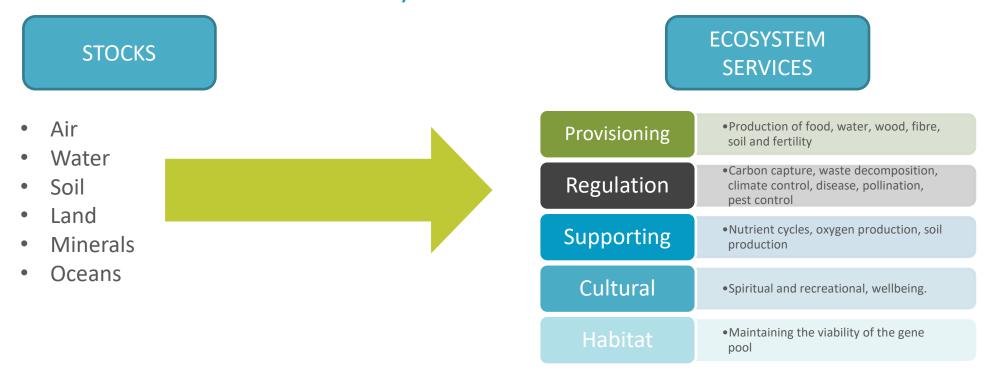


NATURAL CAPITAL



NATURAL CAPITAL – WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

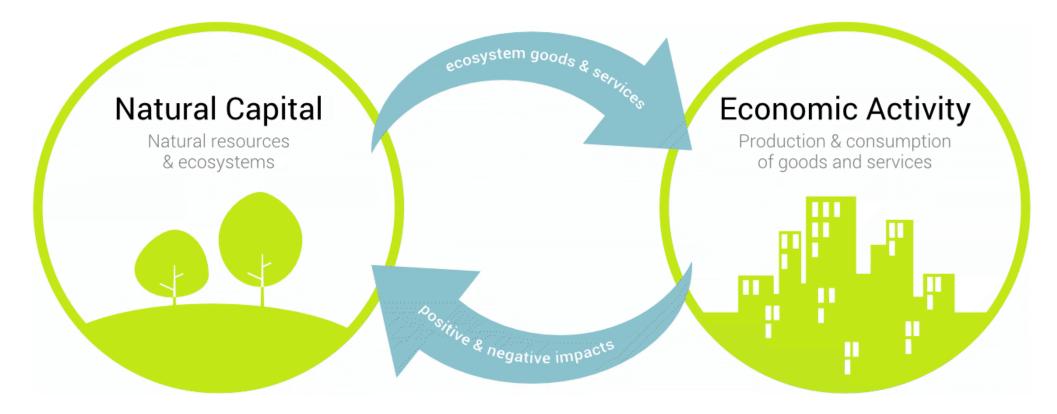
Natural Capital is the 'stocks' of our natural resources, and the 'services' that flow from these stocks – these are referred to as 'ecosystem services'





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NATURAL CAPITAL – WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Stocks

 Unsustainable consumption of natural resources

Ecosystem Services

 Leads to inability to provide services upon which we and our economies depend.

Population & Economy

Leads to societal impacts



NATURAL CAPITAL BUSINESS RISKS

All businesses have both impacts and dependencies upon Natural Capital.

These impacts and dependencies can give rise to a range of business risks:

- Supply chain resources
- Business continuity/ resilience
- Climate resilience
- Future liabilities regulation
- Stakeholders Employees/shareholders.
- Reputation/brand





NATURAL CAPITAL PRE 2020









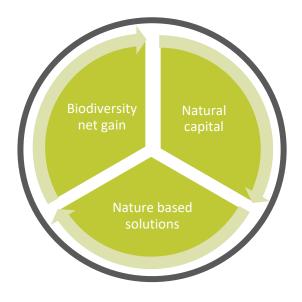








Nature



Pre 2020 nature and biodiversity were very separate to climate reporting





NATURAL CAPITAL NOW





NATURAL CAPITAL 2020 ONWARDS





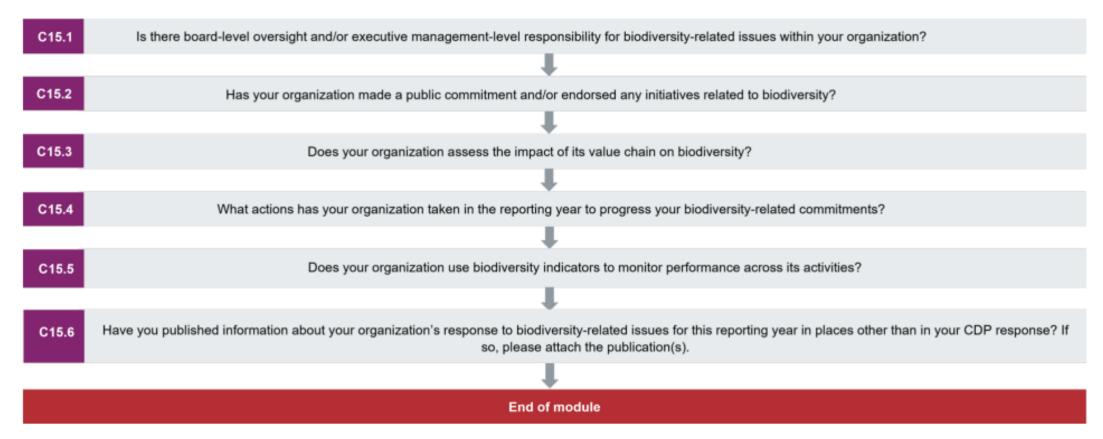




- 2022 CDP Climate Change Questionnaire includes for the first time a biodiversity module, with six related questions;
- The beta framework from the **Taskforce on Nature-Related Financial Disclosures** (TNFD) was released on 15 March;
- The Science Based Targets Network (SBTN) will publish final guidance in 2022 for companies to set targets for nature; and
- The **Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)** is revising its biodiversity standard (GRI 304) for release early next year.
- ESG Reporting
- Competition and Markets Authority compliance of environmental claims
- Environment Act 2021
- National Planning Policy Framework



NATURAL CAPITAL CDP BIODIVERSITY REPORTING 2022





NATURAL CAPITAL KEY DRIVERS

- Business risk and resilience
- Brand and reputation
- Financial and investment
- Corporate reporting
- Staff engagement and recruitment



THANK YOU

Any questions?

