

A Global Green Growth Agenda

A rapid, large-scale transition is needed if global economic growth is to continue while simultaneously building resilient and sustainable societies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, adapt societies to climate change and promote a sustainable use of resources. This transition has the potential to unlock new growth engines and spur global economic growth.

3GF

3GF was initiated 6 years ago when the Danish government together with Korea and Mexico, recognised the need for a global platform to progress green growth. With the addition of partner countries, Chile, China, Ethiopia, Kenya, Qatar and Vietnam, the 3GF has since convened numerous governments, businesses, investors and international organisations to act together for inclusive green growth. The 3GF has delivered substantial results and has become a successful high level platform for:

- **Dialoguing and networking.** An increasing number of attendees have participated in each of the five global 3GF summits and the regional summits in Asia, Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean. The summit programs have been creative and dynamic, developed in response to the international green growth agenda offering both formal and informal networking.
- **Sharing novel evidence.** Numerous cutting edge publications and materials have been launched through the 3GF platform making it the 'go to' place for knowledge development and inspiration.
- **Initiating and accelerating partnerships.** The number of partnerships under the 3GF umbrella has increased from 12 in 2013 to 40 in 2016 supported by partnership tools, methodologies and case studies.

A global framework

Since 2011, the world has changed. Green growth has become a key concern for leading businesses, investors and key public institutions. A global framework has been established through the signing of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Financing Conference in Addis Ababa in July 2015 and the conclusion of the landmark Climate Agreement in Paris in 2015. Multi sector partnership approaches have been increasingly recognised as *the key* vehicles for change.

Moving forward, green growth and sustainable development will remain a critical issue for business, government and civil society but what is needed now is no longer awareness building but rapid and widespread implementation. The challenge ahead is how to deliver universal and holistic change, at scale and at speed. This means integrated strategies,

coherent policies, individual and institution building whilst taking account of both national and regional priorities.

Rethinking 3GF

In response to these changes, the 3GF is initiating a dynamic "rethinking" process. The overall objective of this process is to define a new vision, mission and strategic goals with clear success targets and binding agreements from key partners. The aim is to build on the strong foundations already built by the 3GF including its capacity to convene high level decision makers engaged in the green transition.

Collaboration and partnership must remain a central feature of a future 3GF, building on and extending existing approaches and success factors. It will also be critical for 3GF to remain relevant and impactful, while at the same time exploring new and emerging sustainability issues including resilience, cities and the immense speed and capacity of 'big data'.

The process will run from August – November 2016 and aims to hear from a variety of stakeholders via a series of bilateral conversations and mini workshops alongside a multi stakeholder partner meeting in October. To give ourselves the best chance of success, a future 3GF will require deep engagement and commitment from both existing and new partners. The final results will be presented to the Danish government before the end of the calendar year.

3GF – The Global Green Growth Forum

3GF was initiated by the Danish Government in 2011 in collaboration with Korea and Mexico. In 2012 China, Kenya and Qatar joined the partnership. Ethiopia joined as partner in 2014, Vietnam in 2015 and lastly, in 2016, Chile became the 9th government partner. 3GF Advisory Board members include: Grundfos, SoleRebels, ABB, Banco Nacional de Mexico (Banamex), Gehl Architects, Bidco Group & Kenya Private Sector Alliance and East African Business Council, Danfoss, Siemens, Trina Solar, Vestas, PensionDanmark, Hyundai Motor Group, Vietnam Business Council for Sustainable Development, OECD, UN Environment Programme, WindEurope, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), Business and Sustainable Development Commission, Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All), the International Energy Agency (IEA), UN Global Compact, International Finance Corporation (IFC), Climate Policy Initiative, Global Green Growth Institute, Inter-American Development Bank, World Resources Institute and Centro Mario Molina.

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