

Invitation:

Launch of natural capital risk framework for financial institutions

Date: Wednesday, 16 January 2019, 10:15 – 12:00 (followed by lunch)

Location: UBS, Paradeplatz 6, (Room Carigiet), Zurich

Human activities are causing accelerating environmental change, notably in the form of climate change, pollution, and habitat loss. These changes can lead to adverse consequences for businesses and for the financial institutions that provide services to them.

Financial institutions wishing to understand and assess their exposure to natural capital risks need comprehensive and systematic information on how businesses depend on the environment and the consequences they face when that relationship is disrupted by environmental change. For this reason the Natural Capital Finance Alliance, funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) and the MAVA Foundation, has come up with tools and insights to help practitioners identify material natural capital risks within their portfolios and integrate these considerations in their operations.

This event, organized by the NCFA and SSF and hosted by UBS, will provide attendees with an overview of the recently launched [ENCORE tool](#) (Exploring Natural Capital Opportunities, Risks and Exposure). It also marks the official launch of the NCFA's latest report produced by PwC, which applies the ENCORE tool to develop a natural capital assessment framework for enhanced portfolio risk management.

Programme:

9:45	Registration and welcome coffee	
10:15	Welcome note	Liliana de Sà Kirchknopf , Head of Private Sector Development Division, SECO
10:20	Opening remarks	Sabine Döbeli , CEO, Swiss Sustainable Finance Christian Leitz , Head of Corporate Responsibility Management, UBS
10:30	Presentation of online knowledgebase ENCORE	Katie Leach , Senior Programme Officer, UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC)
10:45	Practical application of ENCORE for bank lending portfolios	Jon Williams , Partner, Sustainability & Climate Change, PwC
11:00	Panel discussion: First-hand experiences and insights from practitioners	Liselotte Arni , Head of Environmental and Social Risk, UBS Madeleine Ronquest , Head of Environmental and Social Risk, FirstRand Jon Williams , Partner, Sustainability & Climate Change, PwC
		Moderated by: Eric Usher , Head of UNEP FI
12:00	Networking lunch	

Sign up for this event online using the [SSF registration page](#). The registration deadline is 9 January 2019. This event will be held in English and is **free of charge**. Spaces are limited, so make sure to register early.