A growing number of banks have pledged funding and support towards climate-friendly projects and sustainable development including:

- In 2012, the Central Bank of Nigeria launched the Nigerian Sustainable Banking Principles, which are based on the longstanding need for an umbrella framework to cover all aspects of sustainable banking.
- The International Finance Corporation's (IFC) Performance Standards promote environmentally and socially sustainable projects and enterprises.
- The Equator Principles (EPs) is a risk management framework for determining, assessing and managing environmental and social risk in projects.
- The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI) are frameworks that banks can adopt to support sustainable investment.
- The Principles for Sustainable Insurance (PSI) are an initiative of the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), which aims to support the insurance industry in its transition to a lower-risk, lower-carbon investment approach.
- More than 90 banks and financial institutions are committed to advancing sustainable finance through the Sustainable Banking Network (SBN).
- Société Générale commits €100 million to sustainable development projects.
- HSBC is a founding member of the PRI and an active supporter of sustainable investment.
- ING launched Sustainable Development Finance to align its business with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- The Sustainable Investment Forum North America is back for its third edition on the 26th September 2018 during Climate Week NYC.

Sustainable Banking Frameworks and Initiatives:

- Sustainable Banking Principles
- DBVA
- BNP
- KKR
- ING
- MIFID II
- Green Bond

Sustainability is a core element of all investment decisions. Banks and financial institutions are playing an ever-increasing role in determining the success or failure of sustainable development projects. Sector leaders argue this is an essential part of the global financial system’s role in ensuring a safer and more sustainable future.

For more information visit: sustainableinvestmentforum.org

Register Now

26 September 2018 | New York