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Mirova Research Center and Sweep Launch Call for Expression of Interest for the Creation of a Corporate Contribution Index to Carbon Neutrality

- Mirova Research Center and Sweep, an online platform for managing carbon and ESG data, are partnering to launch a Call for Expression of Interest aimed at creating an index to measure the contribution of companies to global carbon neutrality.
- The Corporate Climate Contribution Indicator (CCCI) will enable a holistic assessment of companies' decarbonization efforts and their progress toward achieving net-zero emissions by 2050.
- The CCCI's methodology will be presented at the 30th Conference of the Parties (COP30) in Bélem, Brazil, in November 2025

Why a Corporate Climate Contribution Index?

Companies play a crucial role in the fight against climate change, as they influence not only their own emissions but also those within their value chains. Although thousands of companies have adopted Net Zero¹ targets, commitments vary across sectors, and current assessment frameworks often focus solely on operational emissions. The CCCI aims to evaluate these contributions comprehensively, considering three main levers:

- 1. **Direct Decarbonization**: Reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions across all operations and the value chain, aligning with science-based targets consistent with a 1.5°C warming scenario.
- 2. **Indirect Decarbonization**: Assessment of emissions reductions enabled by a company's products and services, quantified through avoided or negative emissions.
- 3. **Climate Financing**: Financial contributions to carbon reduction and capture projects outside the value chain, including the purchase of high-quality carbon credits.

Mirova Research Center and Sweep acknowledge that the relative impact of each lever on a company's climate contribution varies based on numerous factors, including geography and sector. Therefore, the CCCI will provide a dynamic tool to evaluate these essential levers for action. For instance, a company that supplies critical components for battery production—essential for the decarbonization of transport—should be valued for this contribution, not just for its own decarbonization efforts. As for financial institutions, they are expected to demonstrate their ability to finance the transition to a low-carbon economy and to increase carbon sequestration through nature-based solutions.

Benefits for Companies and Investors, Supporting the Transition

¹ The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) defines "net-zero" (or net zero emissions) as the level at which global anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions (generated by human activities) are completely balanced by anthropogenic removals.

For companies, the ICCE will provide an assessment tool that will allow them to determine whether or not they are at the right level of contribution to Net Zero in light of their role in society. For investors, the index will provide a solid foundation for evaluating the climate performance of companies, helping to detect instances of greenwashing and establish clear sector benchmarks. By integrating these elements into their analyses, investors will be better equipped to guide their decarbonization strategies and maximize the impact of their shareholder engagement policies.

Manuel Coeslier, Co-Head of Mirova Research Center: "The CCCI will represent a significant advancement in our approach to shareholder engagement by enabling us to engage in dialogue on the key action levers based on a transparent methodology. This index can also serve as a compass for investment strategies to enhance their performance — and potentially their climate impact."

Renaud Bettin, VP of Climate Action, Sweep: "The CCCI aims to bring together all of the essential methodological building blocks of climate action which are available today. By putting forward a positive narrative, based on science and applicable to all sectors, this index will make it possible to highlight the societal role of businesses, and restore the reputation of Corporate Social Responsibility which has been so maligned in recent times.

The Call for Expression of Interest aims to mobilize the most effective global actors in climate action. Applications can be submitted until April 4,2025. The methodology will be developed transparently and will remain free and accessible to all. It will be presented at the 30th Conference on Climate Change (COP 30), which will take place in November 2025 in Belém, Brazil.

Click here to read the Call for Expression of Interest

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ABOUT SWEEP

Sweep helps businesses track and act on their carbon and ESG data, so they can become Forever Companies. The data-driven platform makes it easy to understand, manage, and report carbon emissions and ESG metrics. Powerful collaboration features and user-focused design empower staff and entire value chains to grow a sustainable business. And with all the data in one place, its advanced analytics offer comprehensive insights and deliver auditable reports aligned with the latest sustainability regulations and frameworks. Sweep is B Corp certified and a member of the World Bank's Carbon Pricing Leadership Coalition, France Invest, and The International Emissions Trading Association. It was selected to join FrenchTech Next 120/40 program and was named "Europe's fastest growing scale up by Financial Times' Sifted. For more information, visit sweep.net

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