HSBC Climate Ambition
Presentation to Investors

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Executive summary

- The transition to a low carbon, sustainable future represents one of the biggest opportunities and risks for the global economy and society at large.
- A decade of change is required to deliver the Paris Agreement and the UN Sustainable Development Goals; Covid-19 accelerates this transformation.
- The financial services sector has an important role to play to help enable the transition of the real economy, help countries address climate change while achieving prosperity and manage future climate risk.
- HSBC aims to lead the transition to a sustainable future by aligning our financed emissions to net zero by 2050 and our own operations to net zero by 2030.
- We seek to support our customers with between $750 billion and $1 trillion over the next 10 years in financing and investments and unlock next generation climate solutions.
- We don’t have all the answers but we believe we have the scale and reach to deliver change. We seek to work with our customers, policy makers, regulators, and the financial system to change HSBC and the wider economy.
Climate ambition is part of the Group’s approach to Environment, Social, Governance (ESG)

**HSBC’s approach**

- Seek to support the global transition to the low-carbon economy, through our own sustainable operations and by supporting our customers with their transition
- Ensure robust climate-related risk management covering sensitive sectors, such as energy, palm oil, and forestry
- Foster a customer and employee-centric approach to our business
- Focus on diversity and inclusion of our workforce, and strive to put the customer at the heart of everything we do
- Maintain highest standards of governance across all geographies
- Committed to protect our customers and communities through our financial crime risk management and cybersecurity diligence

**Priorities**

- Low carbon transition
- Our operational sustainability
- Our customers
- Our people
- Mental health
- Diversity
- Cyber security
- Financial Crime Compliance

**ESG Governance and Reporting**

**ESG Governance**
- Dedicated ESG Steering Committee
- Periodic updates to the HSBC Holdings Board and Group Executive Committee
- Climate strategy managed by HSBC Climate Business Council
- Dedicated teams in each line of business and geography

**ESG Reporting**
- Published 5 ESG reports since 2017
- Rating upgraded by MSCI and Sustainalytics
- 3 years of TCFD Disclosure
- The HSBC ESG report was awarded ‘Best CSR / ESG Report’ in 2019 at the Communicate magazine awards

1. Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures
Decade of change required to deliver the Paris Agreement and the UN Sustainable Development Goals

Decade of change required...

- Sustainability means meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs
- Three internationally recognised frameworks help define sustainability goals

...accelerated by Covid-19

- Government fiscal stimulus linked to climate goals (‘build back better’)
- Companies transforming business models (‘net-zero’ commitments)
- Sustainability aligned investments outperforming in crisis

Strategic agenda for investors and companies

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<td>97%</td>
<td>of companies expect to <strong>redeploy capital in response to environmental and social challenges and opportunities</strong> over the next 5 years</td>
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<td>93%</td>
<td>of companies <strong>believe their capital providers care about environmental and social performance</strong> (shareholders, bondholders, bank lenders)</td>
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<td>86%</td>
<td>of companies <strong>rate sustainability as somewhat important or very important</strong></td>
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<td>55%</td>
<td>of companies <strong>believe they are already affected by climate change or view it as a threat</strong> over the next 10 years</td>
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<td>49%</td>
<td>of investors <strong>view risk/return as the primary driver for environmental and social engagement</strong> (versus 43% society’s expectations and 41% regulation)</td>
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Our role

- Help support the real economy in the **transition to a low carbon, sustainable future**
- **Mobilise the capital** required to finance the transition of our customers
- Help developed and developing countries address **climate change while achieving prosperity** and economic development
- Help manage the **future risk of climate change** for the financial system and society at large; enable a **just transition**

1. Sourced from the HSBC Sustainable Financing and Investment Survey 2020
HSBC has long been a leader in the transition to the low carbon economy and the mobilisation of sustainable finance

**Selected achievements since 2017**

**Sustainable finance volumes**

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- Continued sustainable finance growth in 2020; **ranked first globally in green, social and sustainability bonds league tables**
- Launched **new products and propositions across business lines**, including green loans for SMEs, sustainable supply chain finance and impact investments
- Sourced **36% of electricity from renewable energy** as of end-2019
- **c.28k sustainability training modules completed** by employees in 2020
- Began integrating **climate risk in annual credit reviews** focussed on high risk sectors
- Provided **industry leading research**

**Recent industry recognitions**

- ‘World’s Best Bank for Sustainable Finance’ (2nd consecutive year)
- Regional equivalent **recognitions for Asia, Middle East and Western Europe**
- ‘Investment Bank of the Year for Sustainability’
- Additional recognitions for **Green/Climate Action Bonds and Sustainable SSA**
- **Five award recognitions in total**, three more than any other bank
- ‘Lead manager of the year’ recognition for **Green Bond Bank and Sustainability Bond Bank**, among others

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1. Includes direct lending, financing facilitation and investments activities; reporting definitions and data dictionary available on www.hsbc.com
2. As per Dealogic excluding self-mandated issuances, 3Q 2020 year-to-date
3. Ranked first for Climate Change and first for SRI and Sustainability research by Extel survey, June 2019
We have set out a three-part plan to help accelerate the transition to net zero through finance

### Becoming a net zero bank

**What are our objectives?**

- Align our **financed emissions** to achieve net zero by 2050 or sooner
- Be **net zero in our operations and supply chain** by 2030 or sooner

**How will we do this?**

- Use the **Paris Agreement Capital Transition Assessment Tool (PACTA)**
- Make regular, transparent **TCFD disclosures** to communicate progress
- Collaborate to establish **globally consistent standards** for financed emissions and carbon offsets

### Supporting our customers

**Support our clients in the transition to a sustainable future with $750bn to $1tn of financing and investment over the next 10 years**

- Dedicated ESG Solutions Unit to support customers on their journey to lower carbon emissions
- Increase portfolio of **transition finance solutions** to help heavy-emitting sectors to decarbonise
- Apply a climate lens to our financing decisions across economies

### Unlocking new climate solutions

**Build one of the world’s largest natural capital manager – HSBC Pollination Climate Asset Management**

- Help transform **sustainable infrastructure** into a global asset class, and create a pipeline of bankable projects

**Target $100m CleanTech investment within our technology venture debt fund**

**Launch $100m philanthropic programme to scale climate innovation ventures (to 2025)**

**FAST-Infra² initiative to establish sustainable infrastructure **principles and investment vehicles**

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1. The carbon emissions associated with our portfolio of customers
2. Finance to Accelerate the Sustainable Transition-Infrastructure (‘FAST-Infra’) in partnership with the IFC, the OECD, the Global Infrastructure Facility (World Bank), and Climate Policy Initiative under the auspices of the One Planet Lab
Achieving Net Zero requires the transformation of the entire global economy

### The global challenge

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<td>US</td>
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<td>EU</td>
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<td>India</td>
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<td>Electricity &amp; Heat</td>
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100 companies are responsible for 70% of global GHG emissions

### Our commitment to Net Zero

1. **Align our financed emissions to the Paris Agreement goal to achieve net zero by 2050 or sooner**
2. **Work with our portfolio of customers to support them on their journey to lower carbon emissions**
3. **Make regular, transparent, TCFD-aligned disclosures and encourage our customers to do the same**
4. **Achieve net zero in our operations and supply chain by 2030 or sooner**
5. **Work with peers, central banks and industry bodies to establish consistent standards to measure financed emissions and a functioning carbon offset market**

### Performance metrics

**Operational sustainability**
- Absolute CO₂e emissions (scope 1,2,3*)
- Renewable energy sourced as percent of total energy

**Financed emissions**
- Balance sheet exposure to carbon intensive sectors
- Temperature alignment*
- Performance in different climate scenarios*

**Transition finance**
- Volume of sustainable financing and investments provided
- League table positions and award recognitions

**System change**
- Leadership roles in industry groups
- Industry-leading research

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1. World Resources Institute WRI
2. CDP

* metrics in development
Unprecedented financing need to support our customers in the transition

$100trn investment required to 2030 globally across sectors

- Developed Asia: 22%
- India: 16%
- China: 29%
- Middle East: 6%
- Other emerging Asia: 5%
- US and Canada: 7%
- Latin America: 7%
- Africa: 5%

Asia and emerging markets will lead this transformation, requiring >50% of required infrastructure investment

HSBC sustainable finance priorities to support

- Transition finance:
  - Financing to enable companies’ shift to sustainable, low-carbon activities
  - Support and engagement for transition of hard-to-decarbonise industries
  - Global network to promote sustainability across global supply chains

- Sustainable infrastructure:
  - Financing and advisory capabilities to grow renewable energy and related infrastructure
  - Investment vehicles and origination-distribution mechanisms to channel investor capital

- Sustainable investments:
  - Establish HSBC Asset Management as a leading provider of responsible investments
  - ESG solutions and structured products for institutions
  - Full suite of products to help individuals manage ESG risks and invest in sustainability related opportunities

1. Source: OECD and IEA
## Leading change through our business activities and industry engagement

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<td>Transition sukuk(^1) ($600m) for an aviation firm to develop, manufacture or installation of energy efficient technologies, purchase assets that lead to energy savings, or R&amp;D in sustainable aviation fuels</td>
<td>($486m) for the vital Viking Link high voltage electricity interconnector between the UK and Denmark enabling the effective use of renewable energy</td>
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<td>Established <strong>Future Cities as a core infrastructure theme</strong>, led by a Senior Advisor and expert on cities to inform and engage clients</td>
<td>Launched <strong>Real Economy Green Investment Opportunity (REGIO)</strong> fund with IFC(^2) and raised $474m (Jun 2020) to fund green projects in developing economies that reduce emission and meet the UN SDGs</td>
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**Active collaboration with Energy Transition Commission (ETC) on industry reports focused on low-carbon transition in hard-to-abate sectors**

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| See Appendix for further examples

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1. Sharia-compliant bond
2. International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Unlocking new solutions to mobilise investments in nature and infrastructure

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**HSBC Pollination Climate Asset Management**

**What are the challenges?**

- Natural capital **key to limiting global temperatures** to 1.5°C
- All **value & service** (social, economical) provided by natural capital **not incorporated** in valuation due to **lack of observable prices**

**What are the barriers to finance?**

- **Required investment estimated between US$300bn to US$400bn**, however only US$52bn invested currently\(^1\)
- **Limited subject matter expertise** in valuating natural capital
- **Limited means** to channel investment in natural capital

**Where do we see the opportunities?**

- **Create investment vehicles** to connect capital to scalable nature based projects
- **Diversify opportunities** to invest in **natural capital solutions**, (sustainable forestry, blue carbon, coastal restoration etc.)
- Growing demand for carbon offsets; up to $1.4 trillion annually by 2050\(^2\)

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**Finance to Accelerate the Sustainable Transition-Infrastructure (FAST-Infra)**

**What are the challenges?**

- **Infrastructure inherently carbon intensive**
- **$6.9 trillion investment required** each year through 2030 to reduce carbon footprint of infrastructure and transform existing infrastructure systems\(^3\)

**What are the barriers to finance?**

- **Current investment gap of $3 trillion annually**\(^4\)
- **Number and scale of bankable projects** globally remains **inadequate**
- **No market agreed standards** for institutional investors to assess sustainability of assets

**Where do we see the opportunities?**

- **Transform sustainable infrastructure into a mainstream class** in financial industry
- **Establish a consistent, globally applicable labelling system** that covers ESG and reporting standards
- **Develop financial mechanisms** that **mobilise private investment and scale up successful projects across countries**

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1. WWF (2020); Bankable Nature Solutions
2. Vivid Economics
3. OECD and IEA
4. World Economic Forum
Embedding our climate strategy

External Engagement

- **Chapter Zero**: Founding chair of Chapter Zero initiative, engaging non-executive directors of boards on climate change
- **Sustainable Market Initiative**: Mission led by HRH Prince of Wales; featuring CEO’s of some of world’s largest organisations – to lead the economy on a ‘great reset’
- **Institute of International Finance**: Chair of Sustainable Finance working group

Internal Engagement

- **Sustainable Champions**: Network of Sustainable Champions across business functions and regions to drive transformation
- **Training modules**: Rollout of climate / sustainable finance modules to train frontline staff
- **Thought leadership**: Championing content on Centre of Sustainable Finance to drive engagement within frontline

Aligning Incentives

- **Integrated into scorecards**: Incorporating metrics capturing progress made on climate ambitions in executive scorecards
- **Establishing long term incentives**: Environmental factors included in long term incentive plan of Executive Directors

Increasing disclosure and integrating risk management

- **Incorporating climate-related risk** into how we managed and oversee risk
- **Increase disclosure in line with TCFD commitments**, including climate stress testing disclosure
“HSBC has long been committed to opening up opportunities for our customers and the communities we serve.

As we enter a pivotal decade of change, we have a landmark opportunity to accelerate our efforts to build a healthier, more resilient and more sustainable future.

Our net zero ambition represents a material step up in our support for customers as we collectively work towards building a thriving low carbon economy.”

Noel Quinn, Group Chief Executive
Appendix
Supporting our clients through sustainable finance

**October 2020**
- **Etihad**
  - USD 600m; 5 yr first tranche
  - Joint coordinators, sustainability structuring agents, lead and bookrunner

**October 2020**
- **Michelin**
  - EUR 2.5bn Multicurrency Revolving Credit Facility
  - Joint Lead Manager and Green Structuring Advisor

**September 2020**
- **Saudi Electricity Company**
  - USD500m 5yr and EUR500m 5yr Green Sukuk
  - Joint Lead Manager and Green Structuring Advisor

**September 2020**
- **Beijing Enterprises Holdings Limited**
  - EUR500m 5yr Green Bond
  - Joint Global Coordinator, Joint Lead Manager and Green Structuring Advisor

**September 2020**
- **Minho Financial Group**
  - EUR500m 5yr Green Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**September 2020**
- **Volkswagen**
  - EUR750m 5yr and EUR1.2bn 8yr Green Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**September 2020**
- **Chanel**
  - EUR500m 5yr and EUR300m 10yr Sustainability-Linked Bond
  - Joint Structuring Advisor and Joint Bookrunner

**September 2020**
- **MTR**
  - USD 2bn, MTR’s 3rd USD Green Bond issuance
  - Joint Global Coordinator and Sole Sustainability Advisor

**August 2020**
- **BIF (World Bank)**
  - USD3bn, 10yr Benchmark Sustainable Development Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**August 2020**
- **BBDO**
  - USD 3.5bn, Issuer’s inaugural 5yr Green Sukuk
  - Joint Bookrunner

**July 2020**
- **Modern Land**
  - USD250m 2yr Green Bond
  - Promotes the transition to low-carbon and climate resilient growth
  - Joint Lead Manager and Joint Bookrunner

**July 2020**
- **NongHyup Bank**
  - USD250m 5yr Social Bond
  - Proceeds for green buildings, clean transportation
  - Joint Global Coordinator & Green Structuring Advisor

**July 2020**
- **TenTen**
  - Korea Housing Finance Corporation (KHFC)
  - USD175m and USD250m Unsolicited Green Bond
  - Joint Lead Manager and Joint Structuring Advisor

**July 2020**
- **Hybrid Structuring Advisor**
  - USD500m 5yr Green Bond
  - Proceeds to support SMEs in South Korea
  - Joint Bookrunner

**July 2020**
- **Pearson**
  - GBP350m 10yr; Issuer’s inaugural Corporate Education Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**June 2020**
- **CPP Investments**
  - USD500m 3yr; Benchmark COVID-19 Response Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**June 2020**
- **BlackRock**
  - USD455m 5yr; COVID-19 Response Benchmark Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**May 2020**
- **Inter-American Development Bank**
  - USD425m 3yr; Proceeds to be used by countries to fight COVID-19 outbreak
  - Joint Lead Manager

**May 2020**
- **BBDO**
  - GBP2.5bn 3yr; Sustainable Development Bond, Proceeds to fight COVID-19 outbreak
  - Joint Lead Manager

**April 2020**
- **Engie North America**
  - USD1bn; Largest tax equity financing in U.S for combined solar and wind projects
  - Joint Bookrunner

**April 2020**
- **CICGreen**
  - EUR1bn 3yr; European’s inaugural social bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**April 2020**
- **BIF (World Bank)**
  - EUR1bn 3yr; First sustainability-linked bond in Bangladesh
  - Joint Lead Manager and Joint Bookrunner

**April 2020**
- **BNP Paribas**
  - EUR1bn 3yr; France’s inaugural Benchmark Sustainable Development Bond
  - Joint Bookrunner

**April 2020**
- **Mizuho**
  - EUR500m 5yr and EUR1bn 10yr; Joint Lead Manager
  - Joint Bookrunner
Operational Sustainability—Reducing environmental and carbon impacts

**Goals set in 2012 with 2020 targets**

- **Reduce CO₂ emissions to 2.0 tonnes per FTE**
  - 2011: 3.5, 2016: 2.6, 2019: 2.3

- **Reduce energy consumption by 1.2 MWh per FTE (-20% from baseline)**
  - 2011: n/a, 2016: 0.3, 2019: 1.4

- **Source 40% of energy from renewable PPAs**
  - 2011: n/a, 2016: 23.0, 2019: 29.4

- **Reduce office waste by 75% from baseline; recycle 100%**
  - 2011: n/a, 2016: 58.0, 2019: 66.0

- **Reduce paper usage by 66% from baseline and buy 100% sustainably sourced**
  - 2011: 0.0, 2016: 62.0, 2019: 69.0

**Net zero operation by 2030** (announced October 2020)

1. **Reduce**
   - Continue to reduce emissions from direct operations and start reducing emissions from supply chain
   - Engage with strategic suppliers through CDP Supply Chain Programme

2. **Replace**
   - Replace consumption with low carbon alternatives, where possible, such as PPAs or green tariffs for energy
   - Replace current fleet to low carbon vehicles and support sustainable aviation fuel initiatives

3. **Resolve**
   - Remove remaining emissions from operations and supply chain by procuring high quality offsets supporting nature based solutions only once reduction and replacements initiatives are exhausted

**Estimated decarbonisation of operational emissions**

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<td>2019</td>
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<td>2030 Target</td>
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1. Original targets set in 2012 stretched in April 2017 for CO₂ emissions per FTE, waste reduction and paper reduction; text refers to stretch targets
2. Power Purchase Agreement (PPA); original target of 25% increased to 40% in April 2017 and announced 100% target by 2030 in November 2017
3. We will continue to reduce other environmental impacts related to waste and paper which are also important in our operations
Climate aligned finance – Challenges and HSBC response

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<td>✓ Set Net Zero ambition for 2050 or sooner</td>
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<td>2. Quantifying carbon footprint of portfolio (carbon accounting)</td>
<td>✓ Leverage NGFS(^2) scenarios and outputs of climate stress tests</td>
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<td>3. Forward looking scenarios to inform decisions</td>
<td>✓ Onboarded PACTA; initial focus on carbon intensive sectors</td>
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<td>4. Lack of quality, decision-useful data to plug methods</td>
<td>✓ Engaging on methodology (PCAF(^3), SBTi(^4)) to consider further</td>
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<td>5. Limited availability of sufficiently granular data in certain sectors</td>
<td>✓ Developing climate data and analytics capability</td>
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<td>✓ Need for collective action on climate alignment to move markets</td>
<td>✓ Promoting increased disclosure and sector specific client questionnaires</td>
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<td>✓ Ensure first-mover institutions are not penalised</td>
<td>✓ Work with peers, policy makers, and regulators to define standards and advance market development, e.g. through Sustainable Markets Initiative, IIF, and One Planet initiative</td>
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<td>✓ Achieving &lt;2°C alignment difficult when investing in a 4°C world</td>
<td>✓ Work with clients in hard to abate sectors</td>
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<td>✓ Develop next generation climate solutions, e.g. nature, sustainable infrastructure</td>
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1. Challenges identified by the Center for Climate Aligned Finance
2. Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS)
3. Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF)
4. Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi)
Leadership roles and active engagement with network of regulators and industry bodies

**Industry standards and principles**

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**Green financial centres and regulatory engagement**

| Bank of England Climate Risk Working Group |
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| Climate Risk Working Group |
| HKGFA |
| GFC |
| Monetary Authority of Singapore |
| US Alliance for Sustainable Finance |

**Financial services collaboration and engagement**

| Climate Action 100+ |
| Climate Finance Leadership Initiative |
| IIF |
| TCFD |
| CFI |
| Sovereign Wealth Funds |
| University of Cambridge |

**Specific leadership roles**

- Chair of Bank of England Climate Risk Working Group
- Chair of MAS Sustainable Finance Working Group
- Joint Coordinator of Transition Bond Working Group at ICMA
- Chair of Sustainable Working Group at IIF
- Global Steering Committee of Climate Action 100+
- WEF CEO Climate Leaders
- Founding member of Climate Finance Leadership Initiative
HSBC sustainable finance awards and recognitions

- World’s Best Bank for Sustainable Finance
- Asia’s Best Bank for Sustainable Finance
- Middle East’s Best Bank for Sustainable Finance
- Western Europe’s Best Bank for Sustainable Finance

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- Best CSR/ESG/D&I Thought Leadership Campaign
- #1 Climate Change research team for 6 consecutive years
- #1 SRP and Sustainability
- #1 Integrated Climate Change
- #1 SRP Research

- Investment Bank of the Year for Sustainability
- Investment Bank of the Year for Green/Climate Action Bonds
- Investment Bank of the Year for Sustainable SSA1

- Lead manager of the year: Green bond bank
- Lead manager of the year: Green bond SSA1
- Lead manager of the year: Sustainability bond local authority/municipality;
- Lead manager of the year: Sustainability bond bank
- Lead manager of the year: Social bond SSA1

- Lead manager of the year: green bonds - local authority/municipality
- Lead manager of the year: social bonds – corporate
- Lead manager of the year: sustainability bonds – corporate

- Most Impressive Investment Bank for Asia Pacific Green/ESR Capital Markets
- Best SSA1 ESG Dealer
- Best Corporate ESG Dealer

“One bank stands out this year for its incessant drive to bring higher standards and capital to transition a broad range of sectors globally – HSBC.”
Euromoney Awards for Excellence, September 2020
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Non-GAAP financial information

This document contains non-GAAP financial information. The primary non-GAAP financial measures we use are presented on an ‘adjusted performance’ basis which is computed by adjusting reported results for the period-on-period effects of foreign currency translation differences and significant items which distort period-on-period comparisons. Significant items are those items which management and investors would ordinarily identify and consider separately when assessing performance in order to better understand the underlying trends in the business.

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