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Dear all,

If you have any comments on the below notes, please let me know (I already cc [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]). Kind regards, [REDACTED]

Today the COM met with a number of IIGCC members to exchange views on the future of financial services climate policy and the role of investors in mobilising private capital behind a 2020 decarbonisation strategy. Here are the highlights of the discussion:

- CAB said that although we cannot prejudge the policy direction of the next COM, the COM President-elect's proposal of a European Green Deal suggests that sustainable finance will remain a priority.
- On current SF work, CAB gave an update on taxonomy, expiration of TEG mandate, new final TEG Benchmarks report (30/9), setting up International platform. Also, handling now implementing work for agreed regulation, e.g. benchmarks regulation: need to adopt the delegated act (DA) to incorporate the methodology and disclosures in law; disclosures regulation: to publish a number of DAs on fiduciary duty most likely at the end of October...
- BNP Paribas expressed concern about the Council's direction to create a Member-State-based group to decide on taxonomy (open to political influence) rather than scientist-based. CAB: will be one of the issues in trilogues, and COM already made a statement on this in COREPER.
- BNP Paribas/USS UK expressed the wish to have better quality data and disclosures of main KPIs as compulsory for corporations.
- BNP Paribas asked whether the COM will oblige financial advisors to offer different financial products with a minimum sustainability elements. CAB clarified that we will amend delegated acts that governs the financial advisor/client relation when carrying out the "suitability assessment"; the first question asked is the risk tolerance of potential investor, their ability to bear risk, their preference in terms of return [existing criteria], but on top of that we will add a requirement for advisors to check the sustainability preferences of the client, and integrate this into their assessment, where relevant (we are not going to oblige financial advisors to offer financial products with sustainable considerations); overall, the COM's approach is based on disclosures.

