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Mirova Research Center & Sweep Announce the Launch of the Climate Contribution Framework: A New Standard for Corporate Climate Action

- In the wake of COP30, Mirova Research Center & Sweep are proud to announce the official launch of the Climate Contribution Framework (CCF).
- This pioneering methodology developed by I Care by BearingPoint, and Winrock International offers an unprecedented unified, science-based benchmark to fairly measure and value the full spectrum of corporate contributions to global net zero.

Mirova Research Center & Sweep today announce the official launch of a new Climate Contribution Framework (CCF) designed to fairly measure and value the full spectrum of corporate contributions to global net zero. The new methodology, developed by I Care by BearingPoint and Winrock International, reframes the climate action narrative from “reduction” to “contribution,” providing a comprehensive, fair, and comparable indicator of corporate climate effort.

The CCF is a universal indicator that evaluates both the actual and potential contribution of companies to global carbon neutrality. It goes beyond standard carbon accounting to capture the full climate value of corporate strategies, including innovation, finance, and policy influence. The methodology is built around three core, sector-weighted levers:

- **Carbon footprint reduction:** Emissions reductions across the entire value chain (scopes 1, 2 and 3).
- **Climate solutions:** The deployment of products and services that enable avoided or removed emissions beyond the organization's own footprint.
- **Climate finance:** Mobilizing capital toward projects and innovations that accelerate breakthrough technologies and nature-based solutions.

Each lever is weighted according to sectoral relevance and global impact potential, ensuring fair and meaningful comparisons across industries. This sector-adjusted approach recognizes that every company has a unique role to play, depending on its sector, size, and position in the value chain.

A Win-Win Tool for Companies, Investors, Policymakers, and Society

The CCF delivers value to a broad ecosystem:

- **For companies:** a fair, transparent, and sector-adjusted assessment of their overall climate contribution, helping them demonstrate leadership, plan strategically, and gain recognition for their full impact.
- **For investors:** a robust, comparable benchmark to identify best practices, guide engagement, and allocate capital toward measurable climate impact.
- **For policymakers:** a credible, science-based tool to inform policy, encourage best practices, and foster trust in private sector commitments.
- **For civil society:** clarity and legitimacy to corporate climate claims, supporting accountability and ambition.

The CCF is not “just another standard.” Instead, it acts as a meta-framework, amplifying and connecting existing standards covering carbon footprint, emission reduction trajectories, climate transition plans, carbon offsets, etc¹. This compatibility ensures that companies can leverage their existing climate disclosures and assessments within the CCF, reducing reporting burden and increasing coherence.

Ten years after the Paris Agreement, the climate action landscape is at a crossroads. While emissions reductions are now embedded in corporate strategies, progress is stalling due to fragmented standards and a narrow focus on decarbonization alone. COP30 highlighted the need for a new narrative, one that recognizes businesses not just as emitters to be managed, but as systemic drivers of the transition, capable of innovation, financing, and enabling climate solutions at scale. The CCF directly addresses this challenge, supporting the Paris Agreement’s goals and the global push for credible, transparent, and ambitious climate action.

While the CCF is focused on climate, its architecture is designed to be adaptable to other sustainability themes, such as biodiversity. The methodology’s modular structure and sectoral weighting logic can be extended to measure and value corporate contributions to nature-positive outcomes, supporting the development of integrated sustainability strategies.

The CCF is the result of a unique collaboration between leading organizations:

- **Initiators:** Mirova Research Center, Sweep
- **Methodology:** I Care by BearingPoint, Winrock International
- **Supporters:** Accor, EDF, Eramet, Equans, Orange, Renault Group, Schneider Electric, Veolia
- **Observer Committee:** Experts from World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi), Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), International Carbon Reduction and Offset Alliance (ICROA), International Emissions Trading Association (IETA), Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economies (CERES), Exponential Roadmap Initiative (ERI), World Benchmarking Alliance (WBA), Oxford Net Zero, GHG Management Institute (GHGMI), and others.

Philippe Zaouati, CEO of Mirova: *“The Climate Contribution Framework is a game-changer. It finally allows us to recognize and compare the full spectrum of corporate climate action. By moving beyond emissions alone, we empower companies and investors to accelerate the transition and channel resources where they will have the greatest impact. This is how we restore trust and drive real progress towards net zero.”*

Julien Denormandie, Chief Impact Officer at Sweep: *“Too often, companies are seen simply as emitters of CO2. The Climate Contribution Framework changes this narrative, recognizing the essential role business plays in delivering climate solutions at scale. By providing a clear, science-based benchmark, we give every stakeholder the tools to turn ambition into measurable, credible impact.”*

Guillaume Neveux, Founder & Partner at I Care by BearingPoint: *“Assessing climate contribution requires nuance and fairness. Our methodology ensures that every company can be evaluated transparently, based on its real-world impact. The framework is designed as a practical guide, helping organizations translate ambition into concrete steps on the path to net zero.”*

Brad Schallert, Director of Net Zero Services at Winrock International: *“Today, most frameworks and climate standards assess how companies are reducing their carbon inventories, but inventories don’t capture the full picture of a company’s total positive impact on climate action efforts. The Contribution Framework provides a more holistic view of a company’s climate action performance by scoring them and allowing nuanced comparison against other companies’ performance.”*

Carine de Boissezon, Chief Impact Officer at EDF: *“As the largest low carbon generator globally, EDF welcomes the Climate Contribution Framework as a much-needed tool to showcase the breadth of our climate action is proud*

¹ Standards include and are not limited to: Greenhouse Gas Protocol, Science-Based Targets initiative (SBTi), ISO Net Zero Guidelines, Paris Agreement Article 6 guidance, Carbon Disclosure Project, Accelerate Climate Transition (ACT), and Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market (ICVCM).

to be one the first companies to be assessed using this new methodology. It enables us to demonstrate not only our past performance and future progress across EDF's entire carbon footprint, but also our wider impact through electrification and innovative solutions for our customers and partners. This compass is essential for building a shared understanding of how EDF can best contribute to collective mitigation efforts."

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ABOUT SWEEP

Sweep is the enterprise sustainability data management platform trusted by the world's leading companies and financial institutions. Our SaaS solution helps organizations meet complex reporting requirements, map environmental impact across their value chain, and strategically implement sustainability strategies that deliver business value. Sweep delivers transparent, granular, and actionable data-backed insights. Our platform empowers decision-makers to identify regulatory and climate risks, engage their supply chain, design robust ESG transition plans, and build long-term business resilience. From medium-sized companies to global giants like L'Oréal, QVC, and Lacoste, our clients use Sweep to embed sustainability at the core of their operations and stay competitive in a rapidly evolving regulatory and economic landscape. Sweep has been recognized by Verdantix, IDC, and MEDEF as a leader in sustainability data management. Co-founded by Rachel Delacour, Yannick Chaze, and Raphael Guller, we are B Corp certified and active members of the World Bank's Carbon Pricing Leadership Coalition, France Invest, and the International Emissions Trading Association. Learn more at www.sweep.net

ABOUT MIROVA RESEARCH CENTER

The Mirova Research Center (MRC) has been initiated by Mirova, a global asset management company dedicated to sustainable investing, in order to contribute to fundamental research and innovation in sustainable finance. MRC aims to financially support long-term research projects, facilitate exchanges between the academic world and the financial industry and develop innovative investment solutions. MRC funds, host and initiate fundamental research on particularly innovative topics with a strong societal impact that are not sufficiently addressed in existing literature through three main axes: impact indicators for a just transition, the contribution of investors to sustainable development goals and new technologies serving sustainable finance. More information on www.research-center.mirova.com

ABOUT I CARE BY BEARINGPOINT

I Care by BearingPoint is a global consultancy dedicated to impact-driven transformation and is BearingPoint's center of expertise for sustainable development. From strategy to implementation, the experts of I Care deliver concrete and innovative transition solutions for companies, financial institutions, and public organizations. They combine technical expertise on sustainability issues (climate, biodiversity, circular economy, LCA, social) with transformational know-how to engage clients in evolving their businesses and business models. I Care by BearingPoint has become a major player in the sustainability consulting field and boasts over 200 specialized consultants from around the globe.

ABOUT WINROCK INTERNATIONAL

Winrock International is a recognized leader in U.S. and international development with a focus on social, agricultural and environmental issues. Inspired by its namesake, Winthrop Rockefeller, Winrock combines scientific and technical expertise with entrepreneurial innovation to deliver market-based solutions that improve lives around the world. Winrock's mission is to empower the disadvantaged, increase economic opportunity and sustain natural resources across the globe.

ABOUT EDF

The EDF Group is a key player in the energy transition, as an integrated energy operator engaged in all aspects of the energy business: power generation, distribution, trading, energy sales and energy services. The Group is a world leader in low-carbon energy, with an output of 520 TWh 94% decarbonised and a carbon intensity of 30g CO2/kWh, a diverse generation mix based mainly on nuclear and renewable energy (including hydropower). It is also investing in new technologies to support the energy transition. EDF's raison d'être is to build a net zero energy future with electricity and innovative solutions and services, to help save the planet and drive well-being and economic development. The Group supplies energy and services to approximately 41.5 million customers(1) and generated consolidated sales of €118.7 billion in 2024.

(1) The customer portfolio consists of electricity, gas and recurring service contracts