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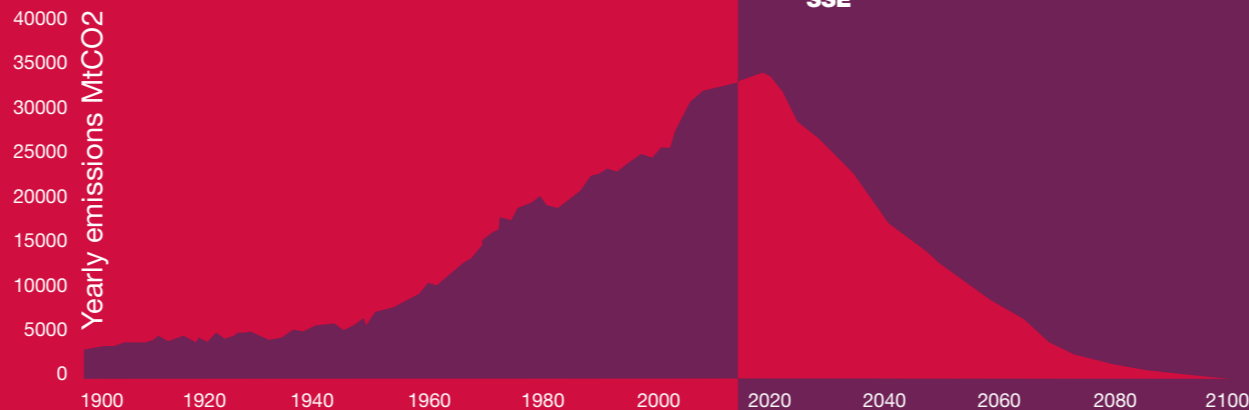
YOUR ORGANISATION'S ROUTE TO THE LOW CARBON ECONOMY



CO₂ emissions have increased by 1000% during the last century. It is critical that we reverse this pattern.

The ACT (Assessing low-Carbon Transition) initiative assesses how ready an organization is to transition to this new low-carbon world using a future-oriented, sector specific methodology.

It is the natural next step to bring accountability to the growing number of actions that organizations are taking to tackle climate change.



ACT has the backing of companies, investors and government departments. Since the launch of the pilot project methodologies have been developed and tested with three trial sectors - retail, auto manufacturers and electric utilities.

*“For a Government Agency such as ADEME, the **ACT** project presents the prospect of new ambitious climate programs that will distinguish companies that are genuinely on the path toward a low carbon economy as required by the Paris agreement.”*

ADEME

*“We are receiving greater demand from investors to be more transparent and disclose more information on our low carbon transition plans. Our participation in the **ACT** pilot project has helped us to respond to these demands with more relevant data and clarity on our low carbon strategy.”*

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GET INVOLVED IN ACT

- 1. Respond to the consultation on the methodologies**
- 2. Register your interest in the results**
- 3. Sign up to be involved in the further development of the project**

Our ultimate goal is to drive action by companies that will put them on a pathway that is compatible with a low-carbon economy. Your insights and expertise will help to develop the initiative. **ACT** will continue to evolve, expand and develop to include multiple sectors, involve further partners and assess more companies, including SMEs. The results of the initial pilot project will be available in January 2017.

Please visit www.actproject.net to get in touch.

“To put us on the path towards 1.5/2°C of the Paris Agreement, it is essential we are able to assess the credibility of corporate climate strategies and commitments, which is what ACT’s methodologies offer. We need as many companies as possible to adopt, implement, and refine this remarkable tool, so it can deliver on its promise to become a real driver of change.”

Laurence Tubiana Climate Champion

Supporting partners



THE CONTEXT FOR CHANGE

MEASUREMENT

Measurement is the first step to reducing environmental impacts, on the basis that 'what gets measured gets managed'. A complete inventory of GHG emissions helps organizations understand their emissions profile and identify opportunities for emissions reduction.

REPORTING

Transparent reporting consistent with climate standards is essential to achieving a low-carbon economy. Stakeholders can hold transparent organizations accountable for their performance, and sharing information brings opportunities to collaborate along the value chain. Both effectively reduce climate impact.

COMMITMENT

Public commitments provide a clear sense of direction to an organization and its stakeholders. Setting science-based targets and defining the appropriate means to achieve them lays out the pathway to meaningful climate action.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Accountability is needed to ensure the commitments of companies deliver the low carbon economy. **ACT** assessments use climate scenarios to define the specific level of ambition required for each sector. The **ACT** assessment process checks the organization against this science-based benchmark to produce the **ACT** rating.

Commitment

Has your company committed to a low-carbon future vision?

Are your emissions reduction targets ambitious enough to get there?

How quickly are you planning to act?

Transition plan

Do you have a transition plan to achieve your low-carbon vision?

Will it drive the evolution of your business?

Present

Does your current strategy lead to a decrease in emissions in the short-term?

Are your investment decisions today made with the long-term future in mind?

Legacy

How do the business decisions you made in the past influence your emissions trajectory?

Consistency

Is your business strategy consistent with your emissions reduction targets?

Do any of your activities undermine your ability to reach a low-carbon future?

ACT Rating

The ACT rating combines quantitative and qualitative information on your past, present and projected future to reveal your alignment with the low-carbon transition.



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