Aligning the development banks with the Paris Climate Agreement

The Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) have committed to align their financial flows with the Paris Climate Agreement. The science requires immediate action, as the choices made over the next 2-3 years will lock in infrastructure for decades.

Development banks are some of the largest providers of public finance for sustainable development. However, while some progress has been made on scaling up climate action, many banks are still supporting fossil fuels. In aggregate, the development banks fossil finance increased from 2015 to 2016.

Inter-American Development Bank is leading the way

The Asian Development Bank, African Development Bank and European Bank for Reconstruction & Development are falling behind.

Where is it leading? Where is it lagging behind?

**ATOMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK**
- Only bank to have set an energy access target and to comprehensively monitor progress.
- 100% of energy-related finance will be low-carbon.
- No internal carbon price, this is currently being studied.

**AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK**
- Only bank to have ruled out upstream oil and gas finance.
- Is the largest fossil fuel financier.

**ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK**
- Promotes 'Avoid, Shift, Improve' approach in transport and actively supports energy efficiency in buildings.
- No internal carbon price, this is currently being studied.

**EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK**
- Only bank to have a green bond strategy.
- No internal carbon price, this is currently being studied.

**EUROPEAN BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT**
- Leading on strategies to reduce fossil dependency.
- No internal carbon price, this is currently being studied.

**WORLD BANK GROUP**
- Only bank to have an energy access target and to comprehensively monitor progress.
- Commitment on forests and land use.
- Promotes 'Avoid, Shift, Improve' approach in transport and actively supports energy efficiency in buildings.

**INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS**
- Integration of climate change into country partnership work.
- Integration of climate mitigation and resilience in key sectoral strategies.
- Level of transparency and promotion of citizen rights.
- Integration of climate risk screening and assessment.
- Energy efficiency strategy, standards and investments.
- Commitment on forests and land use.
- Reduction of fossil fuel finance to include excluding exploitation.
- Energy access and fuel poverty.
- Greenhouse gas accounting at project and portfolio level.
- Strategic renewable energy targets.
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