

announced their support through a Communiqué, for mandatory climate-related financial disclosures that are based on the TCFD framework. The Communiqué noted, “Investors need high quality, comparable and reliable information on climate risks. We therefore agree on the need for a baseline global reporting standard for sustainability, which jurisdictions can further supplement.”⁴⁰ The G7 also noted its support for the IFRS Foundation’s work towards developing standards built from the TCFD framework and the work of sustainability standard-setters. A Communiqué on behalf of a meeting of the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors in July 2021 welcomed the work of the IFRS Foundation to develop a global reporting standard and stated that they would work to promote implementation of disclosure requirements or guidance, building on the TCFD “to pave the way for future global coordination efforts, taking into account jurisdictions’ circumstances, aimed at developing a baseline global reporting standard.”⁴¹

G20 Sustainable Finance Study Group

The G20 Sustainable Finance Study Group (SFSG) was re-established by the Italian G20 Presidency within the G20 Finance track (the group was originally established in 2016). The SFSG will begin by developing a multi-year climate-focused sustainable finance G20 roadmap in specific priority areas that can be adapted or expanded in future years to cover other topics.

Financial Stability Board Workstreams and Roadmap

In a letter published on July 7, 2021, the FSB Chair, Randal K. Quarles, stated that the FSB’s work to promote consistent, comparable and high-quality disclosures builds on its role as sponsor of the TCFD, and that work being done by the IFRS Foundation and IOSCO on establishing a global baseline standard for such disclosures would not preclude authorities from going further or at a faster pace in their jurisdictions.⁴² The FSB also published three climate-related report: (1) *FSB Roadmap for Addressing Climate-Related Financial Risks*; (2) *The Availability of Data with Which to Monitor and Assess Climate-Related Risks to Financial Stability*; and (3) *Report on Promoting Climate-Related Disclosures*, in which the FSB called for an acceleration of progress in the implementation of climate-related disclosures, using a frameworks based on the TCFD recommendations, in line with jurisdictions’ regulatory and legal requirements.⁴³

World Economic Forum

The International Business Council of the World Economic Forum published a white paper in September 2020, setting out expanded metrics for sustainability reporting. Companies are

⁴⁰ UK Government, “G7 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Communiqué” (June 5, 2021), online: <<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/g7-finance-ministers-meeting-june-2021-communiqué/g7-finance-ministers-and-central-bank-governors-communiqué>>.

⁴¹ G20, Third Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors meeting Communiqué (July 9-10, 2021), online: <<https://www.g20.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Communiqué-Third-G20-FMDBG-meeting-9-10-July-2021.pdf>>.

⁴² Financial Stability Board, “FSB Chair presents a comprehensive roadmap for addressing climate-related financial risks” (July 7, 2021), online: <<https://www.fsb.org/2021/07/fsb-chair-presents-a-comprehensive-roadmap-for-addressing-climate-related-financial-risks/>>.

⁴³ Financial Stability Board, *Report on Promoting Climate-Related Disclosures* (July 7, 2021), online: <<https://www.fsb.org/wp-content/uploads/P070721-4.pdf>>.

