

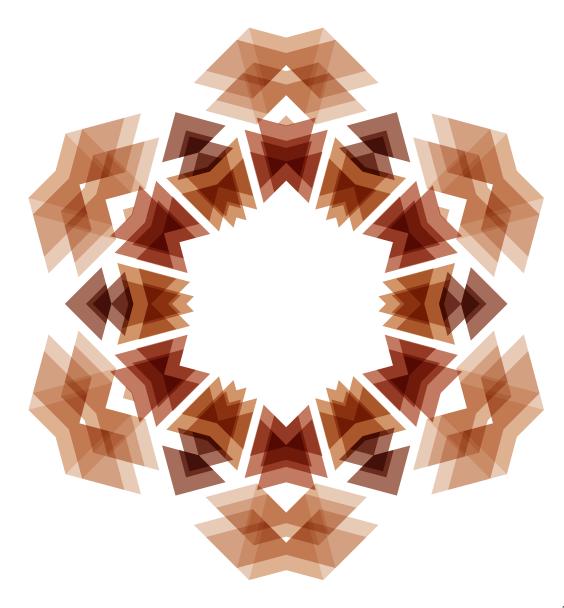




# ESTABLISHING CHINA'S GREEN FINANCIAL SYSTEM

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Final Report of the **Green Finance Task Force** 



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This report is backed by 16 additional background papers, which give more detailed analysis of the theoretical framework for green finance, lessons from international experience and each of the 14 recommendations. There are links throughout the report to the relevant sub-papers. They can also be downloaded from: web.unep.org/inquiry/blog/establishing-china%E2%80%99s-green-financial-system

The full Chinese language version of the report including all background papers and detailed recommendations sub-papers is available as a book from the China Financial and Economic Publishing House <a href="https://www.cfeph.cn">www.cfeph.cn</a>

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A beautiful environment is the sine qua non of a beautiful life. China has swiftly become the second largest economy in the world after three decades of rapid development, but this achievement came at a heavy cost to the environment. Dwindling resources, rampant pollution, degraded ecosystems, and natural resources and eco-environments pushed to their limits puts tremendous economic pressure on future generations to restore the environment.

Far worse than the economic implications, environmental problems in China have also taken a toll on public health, and even longevity. There is a growing expectation across the country for improvements to our eco-environment, as well as an increasingly louder voice calling for clean air, clean water and a beautiful environment. The fresh air and clear sky during the APEC meetings in November last year have left fond memories for the delegates and Beijing's local residents, whose joy reflects a nationwide desire for a better environment. Public opinions agree that environmental protection and efforts to build a beautiful China are not only an integral part of the national strategy, but also a concern for every citizen on a personal level.

Recently, I had the opportunity to watch the documentary *Under the Dome* by Chai Jing, a former CCTV journalist. Through a story-like narrative, Chai Jing presented an in-depth investigation on the composition, origins and hazards of smog and proposed remedial actions. By displaying the strong sense of social responsibility innate to a former journalist and citizen, she has drawn widespread public attention to the issue of air pollution in China. For policy makers, these worsening environmental problems require the further enhancement of top-level design and the improvement of market mechanisms and policy support systems, so as to provide the conditions necessary for various stakeholders to participate in environmental management and protection.

As a market-based institutional arrangement, green finance plays an important role in the promotion of environmental protection and building of an ecological society. Internationally, the Equator Principles proposed by the International Finance Corporation (IFC) are widely recognized by the banking community. They ushered in the robust development of the carbon finance market and the emergence of innovative financial products including green bonds, green shares, green insurance and green funds, all feature an increasingly wider and deeper integration between finance and environmental protection. As evidenced by the practices of developed countries over the past few decades, once properly designed systems are in place, the green finance system can effectively steer large amount of private capital toward green industry and significantly reduce the fiscal pressures of environmental management.

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