

FROM INVESTORS REPRESENTING BRL 1.61 TRILLION

# The Brazil Green Bonds Statement

We, the undersigned signatories to this statement, investors **managing a combined BRL 1.61 trillion of assets**, are substantial investors in the Brazilian capital markets.

We understand:

1. **Climate change poses a significant risk** to society, the economy, and to the investments we make on behalf of our clients and beneficiaries.
2. **The response to these risks requires a rapid transition to a low-carbon and climate resilient economy, demanding substantial investments** in areas such as renewable energy, low-carbon transport and technologies, water and sewage infrastructure, and in adaptation measures for communities and to improve existing infrastructure.
3. **Brazil ratified into law its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC)** to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions, presented during the COP-21 in Paris (2015); and that this commitment **will require large investment amounts from public and private sectors to finance the transition to a low-carbon economy until 2030.**
4. A large proportion of the **mitigation and adaptation solutions required can be structured as investible assets**, with yield and risk levels that are adequate to meet the needs of our clients and beneficiaries.

**We recognize the growth of the international green bonds market** as one of the mechanisms to finance solutions to climate change.

**We believe the growth of a Brazilian green bonds market**, matching global developments, **meets our interests** as investors in the Brazilian capital markets.

In order for us to evaluate investment opportunities in green bonds, **we believe:**

1. **The Brazilian government shall act** through policy, regulation, risk mitigation and other mechanisms to support the issuance of green bonds that allow us to meet our obligations to our clients and beneficiaries.
2. Civil society, academic and financial institutions shall develop **independent eligibility criteria**, addressing impacts and benefits of projects and assets financed by green bonds to enhance credibility and reduce transaction costs in the market.
3. Issuers shall **ensure transparency around the use of proceeds and their impact**, with credible independent reviews of green bonds' environmental credentials, as well as periodically reporting the allocation of proceeds and resulting climate benefits.

**We, as investors, believe that green bonds** or other green asset classes **can be a new investment option to fulfil our fiduciary duty** with our clients and beneficiaries in a responsible and sustainable manner.

**We commit** to dialogue with bodies like the Climate Bonds Initiative, national, state and municipal governments, development institutions, commercial banks, corporates, civil society and others; and **to contribute to the development of a robust Brazilian green bonds market that makes a real contribution to addressing climate change.**

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