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## Climate finance in the post-2015 context – implications for official development assistance (ODA)

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Reaching the target of mobilising USD 100 billion for climate finance every year from 2020 is key to concluding the new climate agreement in 2015. However in reality, much more is needed to bring the world to a low carbon path. The WEF estimates investment requirements of USD 5.7 trillion per year. A similar and even bigger challenge is currently arising in negotiations for the post-2015 agenda. Ambitious goals in the post-2015 sustainable development framework – addressing the reduction of poverty and inequality in all its forms while tackling the interwoven imperatives of global environmental sustainability – will therefore require accompanying ambition and innovation in development finance.

While currently limited to about USD 130 billion per year, official development assistance (ODA) is expected to play an important catalytic role in promoting a new climate-compatible sustainable development agenda on a global scale. At the same time, there is broad consensus that ODA should continue to focus on poverty reduction, especially for developing countries with limited domestic resources and a high incidence of poverty.

This edition of TRAVERSE will discuss climate finance in the context of the emerging post-2015 sustainable development agenda.

Key questions to be addressed are:

- What is the current global landscape of climate finance - important trends, sources and challenges?
- What is the role of climate finance in the context of the larger post-2015 sustainable development landscape? What is the role of ODA versus other sources?

We look forward to a lively debate! SDC Analysis & Policy Division.

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