



Standing steadfast with India's commitment to Climate change –

Edelweiss Alternatives launches its First Climate Fund

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Mumbai-September 11,2023 - In a pioneering move towards combating climate change and fostering sustainable development, Edelweiss Alternatives is launching its First Climate Fund. This fund is committed to support India's noteworthy ambition to a carbon neutral economy and provide a fillip for efforts to decisively nudge the adverse impacts of climate change on Earth.

In accordance with G-20's commitment to mobilize financial resources in climate-related projects, Edelweiss Alternatives' Climate Fund will diligently invest in a wide array of climate-related projects - ranging from climate mitigation to climate adaptation like renewable energy, transmission infrastructure, EV infrastructure, Green Infrastructure, water treatment, transport decarbonization, industrial decarbonization, and any such other related verticals.

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A gamut of steps from member countries of G-20, and climate specific policy initiatives heralded by the government of India, has garnered widespread support from various international organizations and the investor community. This reflects a forward-looking approach which positions India as a leader in the global fight against climate change.

As a commitment to integrate ESG considerations and promote sustainable and responsible investing practices in the investment decision-making process, Edelweiss Alternatives is also now a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI).

Venkat Ramaswamy, Chairman, Edelweiss Alternatives said, "Sustainable growth and inclusive energy transition is central to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for India. This fund will endeavor to support India's vision towards building a net-zero economy. The launch of Edelweiss Alternatives' Climate Fund reflects our determination towards building a sustainable future for our citizens, and the rest of the world. This is an investment for our shared planet, and will reinvigorate India's growth story".



Subahoo Chordia, President and Head Real Assets, Edelweiss Alternatives said “As per estimates, about USD 10tn of investment is required to achieve India’s 2070 net zero target. Our Climate Fund will look to invest in this growing and attractive investment opportunity, while also contributing to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals like climate action (SDG 13), clean energy (SDG 7), clean water (SDG7) and sustainable cities (SDG 11). Further, transport and buildings provide attractive decarbonising opportunities which also play a critical role in creating a sustainable and low-carbon future”.

About Edelweiss Alternatives

Edelweiss Alternatives platform pioneered private debt in India with the launch of the USD 230 mn (INR 1,000 cr) fund in 2010. With a track record of over a decade, it has grown to be one of the largest alternatives platforms in India with an AuM of ~USD 5.9 bn (over INR 49,000 cr). It focuses on providing high quality credit and yield opportunities to global investors such as pension funds, insurance companies, large family offices and ultra-high net-worth individuals, across performing credit (corporate and real estate), special situations and infrastructure yield.