

## Carbon Investment Management



**First Climate** professionals were among the first traders and financiers in the European carbon market. We have been active in carbon investment management since 2006 and the number and size of portfolios we advise has grown steadily since then to the current amount of EUR 229 m of assets under management. Given our in-depth experience we were uniquely positioned to become one of the first companies to advise and manage carbon portfolios.

For companies looking for vehicles to fulfill their obligations under the EU ETS, First Climate provides discretionary carbon investment schemes geared to timely delivery and maximum control both pre-2013 and post-2012. Investors aiming at generating returns from an investment in a unique asset class can benefit from First Climate's experience in advising carbon credit funds.

### Effective carbon investment schemes

Our project expertise and thorough understanding of currency and project related risks are at the disposal of our clients. As fund advisor to a number of institutional carbon investment mandates, First Climate makes full use of its in-depth knowledge of the carbon credit market. Since 2008 First Climate acts as Investment Advisor to the Post 2012 Carbon Credit Fund established by the European Investment Bank and four other leading European public financing institutions. Given our large global network of project specialists, we identify the projects before they are brought to market and thus have access to a huge pipeline of carbon credits from projects around the world. Our experts screen and assess more than 500 projects a year, which are chosen based on strict criteria and are monitored throughout our involvement. We combine the project know-how of our engineers and natural scientists with the financial markets expertise and risk management competence of our professionals with banking backgrounds.

First Climate currently advises the following carbon credit funds:

- Climate Change Investment I SICAR (AuM: EUR 65 million)
- Climate Change Investment II SICAR (AuM: EUR 39 million)
- Post 2012 Carbon Credit Fund (AuM: EUR 125 million)

- Global access to climate protection projects
- Experienced carbon portfolio management
- Rigorous carbon risk management to financial services standards
- Turnkey carbon asset administration services customized to your needs

## Professional carbon asset administration is key

First Climate's integrated approach allows us to provide lean, transparent and hassle-free administration services that make the most of our foresight and back-office capacities. Customers have online access to the project data for their portfolio. We provide fund formation and portfolio services as well as fund administration services. Whether a client is looking for advice on structuring a vehicle, the administration of their carbon credits or full risk and performance reporting, we can offer comprehensive and efficient asset administration services.

## Pro-active risk monitoring and management

First Climate provides daily key portfolio data. Performance attribution, value-at-risk calculations and profit/loss analyses are



reported to the individual specifications of our clients with the standard quality and security of the financial services industry. To monitor and control the very particular risks associated with the carbon market, investors need tools specifically designed for carbon assets and experience of the factors influencing the availability and price of carbon credits. We have developed comprehensive quantitative and qualitative assessment techniques, adding to our solid background in the financial markets and expertise in structuring financial products.

We combine our global network of project experts, who source and assess projects for their suitability for carbon asset portfolios with our ability to utilize opportunities in the secondary markets. Our capacity to structure and administer durable portfolio solutions allows our clients to concentrate on their core businesses, confident in our market access and mastery. Private-equity style direct investments have been a logical addition to our range of activities.

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**your carbon investment partner**

- Given our intimate knowledge of the market, we provide integrated and comprehensive carbon investment management.
- We are the provider of choice of carbon portfolio advisory services for global institutional investors.
- We have a large project pipeline and global network to match.
- We have banking and risk management expertise coupled with extensive project development competence.
- Our dedicated asset management entity in Luxembourg is regulated by the Luxembourg banking supervisory authority (CSSF).
- We provide transparent and reliable state-of-the-art portfolio data reporting.
- Our clients rely on our rigorous risk assessment and consistent monitoring.

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