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The Repell Off Spill 3 Years Later! 3 years ago the legend of oil in Nigerian factory occurred. A pipeline broke during the offshoring of oil from a tank to a refinery owned by the Spanish company Repsol. Since then, Fair Finance has been running a campaign highlighting the ongoing impacts of the spill. With [#Repsol #repell #oil #nigeria](#) and more, the campaign demands effective remediation for the massive environmental damage and destruction to the livelihoods of thousands of Iboibebas.



Fair Finance Thailand awarded for outstanding human rights media work at the Amnesty International Human Rights Media Awards. Fair Finance Thailand's article "The Face of Money: International Businesses, State Interests, Financial Transactions and the Paid-Coup Situation in Myanmar", received an honourable mention. The article, which was originally published in [WAVY magazine](#), draws on FF Thailand's comprehensive research of Thai banks and their financial flows. [Read the article](#)



FFA Webinar for World Consumers Day Marking World Consumer Rights Day, Fair Finance Asia partnered with Consumers International calling for enhanced consumer literacy and empowerment so that consumers are equipped to support global goals for more sustainable practices. [The webinar](#) also presented key findings from FFA's [consumer assessment](#), while representatives from banks and Fair Finance Sweden discussed policies and practices that make sustainability a shared responsibility.

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Updated: [Financial Exclusions Tracker](#) released! The public dataset, by FF and an international coalition of NGOs, now includes 66,708 exclusions related to 6,024 companies from over 32 countries. These entities are being excluded by institutional investors, pension funds, and banks due to concerns over human rights, public health, and sustainability. The most common reasons for exclusion are links to fossil fuel extraction or tobacco. [Access the site](#)



New policy assessments on 4 continents! In the past few weeks Fair Finance activists in [Europe](#), [Asia](#), [Southern Africa](#), and [Central America](#) have released new policy assessments. There were some improvements in Germany, but, unfortunately, on the theme of investors in Japan, India and Indonesia, Banks still lagged in Brazil. ENDS scored best and in Southern Africa our African Development Bank scored well among the Banks. Finance ministers assessed.

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Meet Oblivion Oilman Working as a research partner of climate collective [Fund Your Mother](#), Fair Finance Sweden launched a fantastic short video drawing attention to how Swedish pension money quietly contributes to the climate crisis. The video, voiced on by an award-winning actor and director, reminds Swedish pension savers of their power and potential to have a positive influence and sit within the wider [EndowTheMoney campaign](#). [Watch the video here](#)



**Strengthening Communities to Curb Illicit Financial Flows** Fair Finance Africa held a 3-day consultative workshop focused on engaging communities to tackle illicit financial flows in Nigeria. Bringing together 27 participants from key organizations, the workshop focused on increasing awareness of companies' human rights obligations, promoting sustainable investments and financial inclusion, and providing resources for financial literacy and informed decision-making. [Read more](#)



**Fair Finance School Ghana** Following the success of the first Fair Finance school hosted by Fair Finance Southern Africa last year, the second iteration, run by African Climate Reality Project, was recently held in Ghana. Focusing on youth engagement, the event aimed to equip young climate leaders with the knowledge and skills necessary to understand the operations of Development Finance Institutions (DFIs) and to familiarize them with skills to advocate for fair financing. [Read more](#)

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**New Fair Finance coalitions in Nigeria and Uganda** Fair Finance Algeria and Fair Finance Uganda have launched. Joining Fair Finance Southern Africa, and with the imminent launch of Fair Finance Ghana, the Fair Finance network is now very present and active in Africa. Working to amplify the voices of civil society and community-based organizations, the new coalitions seek to empower communities to influence the policies and practices of financial institutions and advocate for positive change.



**Beneath the Surface** Our [Beneath the Surface](#) report captures the full picture when it comes to the risks and impacts of hydropower. A new report by Fair Finance Germany lead member - Facing Finance - identifies significant risks associated with environmental, social and financial risks associated with large hydropower projects. It calls on ESG rating providers to better integrate practices into their methodologies, and to enhance transparency and accountability around this theme. [Read more](#)



**Enhancing Sustainable Finance in Mekong Hydropower** This new report from Fair Finance Asia highlights large hydropower projects linked to extensive social and environmental impacts, such as loss of forests, wetlands, and mangroves that could amount to USD 645 billion by 2040. Increased poverty and mental health stresses for local communities. It urges financial institutions to uphold responsible hydropower development. [Read more](#)

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**10<sup>th</sup> biggest global pension fund to reduce investment in fossil fuels**

The second biggest pension fund in the Netherlands and 20th biggest pension fund in the world, Pensioenfonds Zorg & Welzijn (PZW), announced that it will almost completely phase out investments in fossil fuels. From now on they will only invest in 7 fossil fuel companies which PZW believe have a convincing climate strategy. This is the culmination of many years work, campaigning and engagement with PZW by the Dutch Fair Finance Guide and allies. [Read more.](#)

**REVELANDO EL DAÑO**

**South African Public Financing of the Mozambique Liquid Natural Gas Project**

**Economic loss for fishing families affected by Repsol spill in Peru**

The crude oil spill that occurred in January 2023 off the coast of Peru constituted the largest ecological disaster in the country's history and left more than ten thousand families completely bankrupt as their livelihoods and sources of employment were destroyed. Fair Finance Peru's new report offers alarming facts and reveals how justice is still not being done for affected communities. [Read more.](#)

**YES! STAPT VOOR 97% UIT FOSSIEL**

**Public financing of the Mozambique LNG project**

This report sheds light on the public financing behind TotalEnergies' Mozambique Liquified Natural Gas project by South African Development Finance Institutions. This venture - the largest gas extraction project in Mozambique - takes place in the context of extensive and well-documented harmful impacts on the people, environment and economy of the country. [Read more.](#)

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**Glencore Report and Tour**

Over two weeks, representatives from communities in Peru and Colombia toured Europe, sharing reports and firsthand experiences highlighting the significant environmental and human rights violations connected to the megaproject of the plant mining company Glencore in their respective communities. As almost 90 percent of Glencore's financing comes from European banks, meeting with some of those financial institutions as well as policymakers, media and civil society was crucial to raising awareness and pushing for justice for these communities and their lands. [Read more.](#)

**A TOXIC LEGACY: GLENCORE'S FOOTPRINT IN COLOMBIA AND PERU**

For over 60 years, Glencore has been responsible for significant environmental damage in both countries. The company's operations have caused severe soil contamination, water pollution, and biodiversity loss, particularly in the Amazon rainforest and Andean mountain regions. The impacts have been felt by local communities, who have lost their lands, homes, and way of life. The tour aimed to raise awareness about these issues and demand accountability from Glencore and its investors.

**Cruel Investments**

**New Report: Financing the Meat Chain: Regulatory Instruments and the Environment**

A report by Fair Finance Brazil, launched at COP28, investigates how lack of regulation for credits distributed by financial institutions can affect the environment and exacerbate the climate crisis. As current banking rules do not provide for sustainability measures globally, most of them in factory farms with inhumane animal welfare and with huge negative impacts on the climate and environment. This report shows that while Swedish financial institutions invest over \$2K 1.0 billion in the agri-

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**Fair Finance School and Activist Guide**

Fair Finance Coalition Southern Africa (FFCSA) hosted the inaugural Fair Finance School in Johannesburg. The three-day event gathered participants from African countries and worked to build capacity in an innovative way, placing emphasis on a human-centred perspective of finance, underpinned by principles of justice, human rights, and dignity. To support the school, the Fair Financing for Climate Justice Activist Guide was launched. The Guide aims to equip the public with the knowledge and tools to participate in finance processes or campaign fair funding was launched. [Read more.](#)

**Financial Exclusions Tracker launches**

Along with a coalition of NGOs, FFI launched the **Financial Exclusions Tracker** - a new website that tracks which companies are being excluded by investors and banks for sustainability reasons. This public dataset is the first of its kind currently it lists a total of 4,532 companies that have been excluded by 87 financial institutions in 16 countries. [Read more.](#)

**Fair Finance Bolivia represented at the Amazon Summit**

Fair Finance Bolivia partner COMVIDA participated in the Amazon Summit in Brazil and handed over petitions to the Brazilian Environmental Minister and to the Inter-American Development Bank opposing the plans to construct a mega hydro dam in the Madeira River on the border of Brazil and Bolivia. [Read more.](#)

**Finanzas justas y responsables Bolivia**

**Fair Financing for Climate Justice**

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**Joining the dots: How Brazilian banks finance deforestation**

No bank customer expects that their savings are being used to encourage activities that generate deforestation, exacerbate climate change and generate products that burden the entire community! Recent data shows agriculture is responsible for 73.7% of deforestation in Brazil in 2022, which is also the main source of greenhouse gas emissions. With that in mind, Fair Finance Brasil's new Ophirin piece, published in [ECON](#), discusses the role of financial institutions. In this context and how bank clients can have their say on how their savings are invested. [Read the full article.](#)

**Fair Finance Asia at the Asian Development Banks Annual meeting**

Members of Fair Finance Asia attended the Annual meeting of the Asian Development Bank and co-chaired a session entitled ["Transition, Resilience, Investing, Mechanisms"](#). FFA's regional team, national coalitions and partners also spoke with ADB President Masatsugu Asakawa on topics such as concerns around the ADB's safeguards and accountability, the energy transition mechanism. [Read more.](#)

**A UN AÑO DEL DERRAME DE REPSOL**

**Fair Finance Peru engagement with Repsol investors**

Fair Finance Peru partner CooperAeron published a [report](#) about the consequences of the massive oil spill caused by Repsol. In February 2023, CooperAeron and Oxfam Peru engaged in a dialogue with investors from Sweden and the Netherlands, whom then submitted a list of questions to Repsol, to which Repsol responded. Over 10,000 families in Peru have lost their livelihoods and Repsol is still not

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New research shows just 7% of global banks' energy financing goes to renewables. Data produced for PFI indicates major failing by finance institutions to help meet global commitments on net zero emissions by 2050 with spending, low finance support through loans and bond underwriting for clean energy. It calls into question progress from the industry. Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero (GFANZ), which found low carbon energy investments need to account for at least 20% of energy investments compared to fossil fuels by 2030 to reach climate goals. [Read more](#)



**New Release!** Climate plans of large Dutch banks, insurers and pension funds fall seriously short. A new report by Fair Finance Guide Netherlands shows climate plans of major Dutch financial institutions are seriously lacking and wholly insufficient to meet the goal of helping global warming to 1.5°C as agreed in the UN climate agreement of Paris and Glasgow. Consequently, the position called on the Dutch Finance Minister to legislate for a mandatory climate plan for the financial sector, which she has [done](#).



**New Release! Fair Finance Guide Methodology update 2023** Keeping pace with the latest developments in sustainable finance, the Fair Finance Guide Methodology 2023, developed with Profundo and the PFI network, has been released. This seventh update of the methodology contains a series of changes, including new assessment elements on gender, climate, oil and gas and deep sea mining as well as updated background information on international standards and conventions. [Read more](#)

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Fair Finance International launches report "No Questions asked: Profiting from the construction and hotel boom in Qatar"

In November PFI launched its new report which found that almost half (47%) of the financing to construction and hospitality companies in Qatar - two sectors with documented high rates of human rights violations - is provided by European banks, pension funds and insurance companies using the savings and premiums of European citizens. The report was covered in media in 2 countries in Europe and has led to investments by investors in Germany, Germany and Norway respectively. See responses from PFI, [Profundo](#), [Read more](#)



[Climate & Central Bank Rights](#)



**New Release! Karpowership Stakeholder Analysis** A new report commissioned by Fair Finance member [CGS](#) from South Africa reveals that a syndicate of four banks from around the world have provided a US\$540 million loan to Tunisian energy company Karpowership, and concluded that this loan will likely be used for the

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**Japan** Japanese government to halt its support for coal-fired electricity plants in Indonesia and Bangladesh

Excellent news in June and the fruit of many years of campaigning by activists in Japan, Bangladesh and Indonesia. Including the Fair Finance coalition in those countries, as Japan announced that it will stop giving yen loans for the expansion of construction of the InDRAMU coal-fired electricity plant in Indonesia and the MasterCard 2 plant in Bangladesh. This means there is currently no funding for these plants. [Read more](#)



**New Release! Dutch pension funds tax on human rights**

Dutch pension funds are not taking sufficient action when the mining, oil and gas companies in which they invest are involved in serious human rights violations. This is the main finding from a recent survey of the ten largest Dutch pension funds conducted by the Dutch Fair Pension Guide.



**New Release! Eucalyptus monoculture** facilitated by financing from Brazilian banks, causes major environmental impacts. A recent study carried out by Fair Finance Brasil shows how eucalyptus monoculture in the Alto Jequitinhonha region is responsible for the expropriation of land and water from farmers in the region. Aperam Siderurgia, the company

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**Fair Finance Southern Africa Launches**

In February Fair Finance International welcomed Fair Finance Southern Africa as its newest member to the network. Fair Finance Southern Africa is the first African Fair Finance coalition to be created and will focus primarily on the issues of climate change and transparency. [Read more](#)



**New Release! Fair Finance Germany publishes Dirty Profits 9 report**

"Eyes closed, costs down, profits up": A multitude of companies still act according to this motto. Their poor labor, safety and environmental standards repeatedly lead to fatal accidents, environmental disasters and serious human rights violations, as shown in Fair Finance Germany's newly released Dirty Profits 9: How much Pain for Corporate Gain? [Read more](#)

[IUCN NL](#)

**New Release! Most Dutch insurers not doing enough for biodiversity**

Six of the nine largest insurers in the Netherlands have a limited biodiversity policy, despite being aware that biodiversity loss is a financial risk, thus preventing effective action and impact. This is according to new research recently released by the Dutch Fair Insurance Guide in collaboration with IUCN NL. [Read more](#)