

The Mangrove Breakthrough

A collective movement catalyzing mangrove-positive investments.

By 2030, the MB aims to mobilize USD 4 billion to protect and restore 15 million hectares through four goals:

- **Halt Loss** — Reduce net mangrove losses driven by humans to 0
- **Restore Half** — Restore mangroves to cover at least half of all recent loss
- **Double Protection** — Ensure long-term protection for 80% of remaining mangroves
- **Sustainable Long-Term Financing** — Drive sustainable finance to existing mangrove extent

Who We Are

Mangroves protect coastal businesses, assets, and communities, providing an estimated **USD 855 billion** in annual flood protection. Yet their value is often left off balance sheets due to the lack of clear frameworks, definitions, and taxonomies for recognizing these services.

The **Mangrove Breakthrough (MB)** is focused on creating the conditions for more mangrove-positive transactions to take place, scale, and be replicated.

Through partnerships, we work across the whole system to change that: defining mangrove-positive businesses, equipping market actors with the right tools, and deploying catalytic capital from scouting to scale.

The MB brings governments, financial institutions, corporates, NGOs, and communities together around one measurable objective: enable every financier and corporate to integrate mangrove impact into blue economy and coastal investment decisions.

We do not ask the private sector to fund nature. **We give them the tools to price a risk they already carry** and value what mangroves contribute to their operations.

What Has Been Built

Financial Institutions **48**

Governments Endorsed **50**

Developers and NGOs **100+**

50 governments, 48 financial institutions, and 100+ developers and NGOs are united behind a set of clear goals and are laying the foundations for a global pipeline of mangrove- positive projects.

The **Mangrove Projects Portfolio**, developed with Restor, the Global Mangrove Alliance, and Capital for Climate, identifies, elevates, and matches investment opportunities and projects; national investment strategies are held live in-country, starting with Indonesia and Mexico; and the **Mangrove Catalytic Facility (MCF)** is ready to build the conditions to de-risk and facilitate mangrove-positive transactions.

MB Financial Roadmap

Key Progress on the MB Financial Roadmap



The Model for Transformative Change

We are setting the conditions for mangrove-positive transactions to be executed.



The science is robust: mangrove protection and restoration benefits are demonstrated. What is missing is the market infrastructure for mangrove value to be embedded in coastal investment decision-making.

We identify businesses and projects where mangroves and finance intersect. We connect them with capital, working with banks, investors, governments, and philanthropic partners to move viable opportunities toward transactions.

1. **Enabling the Change**
   We engage with governments to enact policies that facilitate mangrove-positive finance and protection.
2. **Equipping the Market**
   Tools, literacy and training for the stakeholders.
3. **Unlocking Access to Finance**
   We are building the market architecture needed to execute transactions by de-risking projects and moving capital.

We are helping build the market infrastructure necessary to mobilize mangrove-positive investment opportunities as an asset class and unlock capital at scale.

Targeted Mangrove-Adjacent Sectors

- Aquaculture & fisheries
- Blue Carbon
- Coastal infrastructure & ports
- Ecotourism
- Insurance & risk finance
- Near-coastal agriculture

Priority geographies

- Southeast Asia
- Latin America
- Sub-Saharan Africa



How We Work

The MB makes mangrove-positive finance mean something. The MCF turns that meaning into transactions.

Partnership-led

Governments, banks, insurers, local NGOs, accelerators, and communities, delivering together and avoiding duplicate structures.

Transaction-driven

We measure our success in deals closed and mangrove value priced in. The MCF is our engine: early-stage catalytic capital de-risks projects and readies them for blended and commercial investment (~USD 500K–2M per project).

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With our partners, we structure the instruments that move capital, turning nature into something markets can measure, price, back, and replicate over time.

MANGROVE BREAKTHROUGH

The Enabling Layer

Endorsement: national & subnational policy for mangrove finance

Equipping the market: taxonomy, common definitions, market intelligence, and training the market on what mangrove-positive finance actually means

Aims to accelerate transactions, whether it is cooperative fisheries backed by philanthropy, a government bond, or mangrove-linked insurance.

Success is measurable: mangrove value priced into every coastal decision in policy and in markets.

MANGROVE CATALYTIC FACILITY

The Engine for Investment Readiness

It provides early-stage catalytic capital, strengthens enabling conditions, and aligns project preparation with investor requirements, helping de-risk high-potential mangrove investments and accelerate pathways to blended and commercial finance.

Transaction-oriented. For a given mandate, the MCF runs the funnel that turns a pipeline into financed deals:

QUALIFY → FINANCE → SCALE