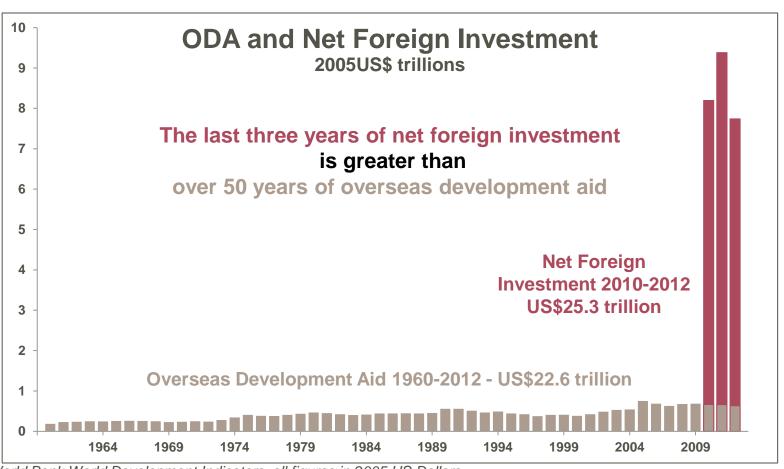
Public private partnership and knowledge transfer for low-carbon growth

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The public private partnership

- Private investment is critical to low-carbon growth.
- Governments need to set economic conditions to encourage investment.
- Australia is helping countries deliver low-carbon growth.

Tapping into private investment is critical

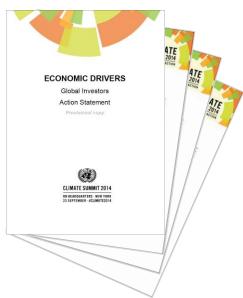


Source: World Bank World Development Indicators, all figures in 2005 US Dollars

Private investors are acting

At September's Climate Summit, commitments were made by:

- Commercial banks
 - Green Bonds
- Institutional investors
 - Decarbonising of investments
 - Disclosure of carbon footprint of investments
- Insurance companies
 - Green investment
- Pension funds
 - Low-carbon investments





Governments can encourage private investment

Pledging of public funds will not dramatically alter private investment decisions. Making the right regulatory and policy choices is more important.

Governments need to:

- Improve economic governance and other enabling environments for investment.
- Help investors manage risk and identify opportunities.
- Share knowledge about policy alternatives and reporting requirements.

Australia's new aid paradigm supports private investment

- Australia has made working with the private sector a focus of its aid program
 - All new Australian aid investments consider ways to engage the private sector.
- Australia is focused on supporting private-sector led economic development
 - including by improving enabling environments for business
- Building resilience to climate change impacts is part of this work
- Australia is sharing our knowledge about mitigation and emissions reporting

Australia's actions to encourage private finance

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)

 EFIC helps Australian investors manage risk across a range of investments in developing countries, including with climate-related projects.





Research Collaborative on Tracking Private Climate Finance

 Australia is helping fund the OECD-led Collaborative and hosted a Research Collaborative meeting in Sydney.



Knowledge-sharing on mitigation and emissions reporting

Climate and Clean Air Coalition

 Australia is helping Fiji to set up an inventory of HFC use and identify opportunities for alternatives.



Cooperation with China

- Enterprise-level emissions reporting methodologies in the oil and gas and coal sectors.
- Cooperation on emissions reporting system design.

Cooperation with Indonesia

Supporting development of forest monitoring systems.



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