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GARI: Global Adaptation & Resilience Investment Working Group

GARI is a private sector-led initiative focused on the intersection of investment and adaptation and climate resilience

- Launched at Paris COP21 in conjunction with UN Secretary General’s A2R Climate Resilience Initiative
- Convened 150+ private investors & other stakeholders in 10 meetings in 2016 & 2017
- Released 2016 GARI Discussion Paper at Marrakech COP22
- Released Draft 2017 GARI Investor Guide at Bonn COP23

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CRAFT: First Private Investment Strategy for Adaptation & Climate Resilience

Adaptation Finance Challenge
- Climate change is already increasing risk & impact
- Adaptation Finance Gap
- Private Sector Tools Exist

Invest in, scale-up & apply private sector tools in developing countries

Private Sector Opportunity
- 20 Mkt Segments
- $130B Current Mkt Size
- “Resilience Intelligence”
- “Resilience Solutions”

CRAFT Investment Strategy
- $500M investment vehicle
  - $100M concessional
  - $400M non-concessional
- $20M Tech Transfer TA Facility
- 20-25 investments in resilience intelligence & solutions companies
- Apply to developing countries
- Measure Adaptation Impact

Team
- 40+ years experience in investing, govt.
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