

## Free Technical Assistance for Financial Institutions that Join the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials

Under the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF), free technical assistance is offered to participating financial institutions.

The following services are included under this free technical assistance:

- **Introductory workshop.** An introductory workshop providing high level guidance on the global carbon accounting standard, as well as guidance on the application of the web-based emissions database that PCAF is developing and other required data sources to perform carbon accounting calculations.
- **Web-based database support.** Ad-hoc support with the application of the web-based database: e.g. advice on how to connect data of the participating financial institution to the emissions database in the most appropriate way, and how to perform the carbon accounting calculations using the database.
- **A technical helpdesk.** A helpdesk function for technical questions. You can call us anytime (in office hours) with any technical questions you may have on carbon accounting.
- **Quality control.** If relevant for your institution, PCAF offers a high-level check of final carbon accounting calculations done by your institution.

The following services are excluded:

- Developing a tailor-made carbon accounting excel tool for each participating financial institution and performing specific calculations or modelling with Excel or any other calculation tool.
- Services and advice that go beyond (1) performing basic carbon accounting assessments for selected asset classes and (2) using the defined accounting standard and web-based database such as writing tailor-made carbon accounting methodology and/or results reports.

If financial institutions are interested in more elaborate support, the PCAF Secretariat is able to offer this as an additional service to the respective financial institution.

It is important to note that free technical assistance is made possible by the current funding available from Hewlett Foundation. Under this, the PCAF Secretariat is able to provide max. 2 days of free technical assistance to around 30 financial institutions on top of the introductory workshop. However, as PCAF expects additional funding in early 2020, the number of support days and the number of financial institutions benefiting from it can be increased as soon as the expected additional funding becomes available. The acquisition of this additional funding is still ongoing.

In case of questions, please reach out to Thomas Haehl and Giel Linthorst at [info@carbonaccountingfinancials.com](mailto:info@carbonaccountingfinancials.com)