

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 for financial institutions providing high level guidance on the Global GHG Accounting and Reporting Standard for the Financial industry. The workshop will include guidance on the application of the web-based emissions database that PCAF is developing and other required data sources to perform GHG 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 GHG accounting calculations using the database.
- **A technical helpdesk.** A helpdesk function for technical questions. You can call us anytime (during office hours) with any technical questions you may have on GHG accounting.
- **Quality control.** If relevant for your institution, PCAF offers a high-level check of final GHG accounting calculations and reports done by your institution.

The following services are excluded:

- Developing a tailor-made GHG accounting tool for a 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 GHG accounting assessments for selected asset classes and (2) using the defined accounting standard and web-based database such as writing tailor-made GHG 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 at their request.

It is important to note that free technical assistance is made possible by the current funding available from Hewlett Foundation and IKEA Foundation. Under this, the PCAF Secretariat is able to provide max. 2 days of free technical assistance to around 80 financial institutions on top of the introductory workshop. The support can also be provided through technical assistance at a national/regional level for a group of financial institutions being part of PCAF.

In case of questions, please send an email to info@carbonaccountingfinancials.com with the subject: technical assistance.