Can a renewed US climate agenda and new finance mechanisms generate the $2.5 trillion additional capital investment required to support the net zero transition?

For the US to reach net zero by 2050, $2.5 trillion in upfront additional capital investment will be required in this decade. With a renewed US domestic climate agenda laying the foundations for greater action, finance and investment must shift quickly to support climate-aligned sectors, businesses, and infrastructure.

To generate the influx and flow of capital necessary to support a transition consistent with a 1.5 trajectory, we must rapidly scale existing sustainable finance models and create new, innovative finance mechanisms. Decision making must begin to account for climate-related risks and all investments must be aligned with the goals of the Paris Agreement. What the broader financial community does now will help determine our ability to build a net zero global economy.

The Hub Live explores the critical role of finance and investment to support the global shift to a net zero future and the pathways needed for the financial system to accelerate investments toward a net zero economy.

12:00pm - 13.15pm EDT - Wednesday, September 21, 2021

Welcome
- Amy Davidsen, Executive Director, North America, Climate Group

Keynote Conversation:
The State of the Market: A critical moment for leaders to invest in a better future
- Tom Steyer, Founder, Beneficial State Bank
- Fiona Reynolds, Chief Executive Officer, Principles for Responsible Investment
Moderator: Amy Davidsen, Executive Director, North America, Climate Group

Panel: Financing Net Zero:
The roles and responsibilities of finance leaders and traditional institutions to deliver the Climate Decade
- Anne Simpson, Managing Investment Director, Board Governance & Sustainability, CalPERS
- Alexandra Liftman, Global Environmental Executive, Bank of America
- Jason Storah, Chief Executive Officer, Aviva Canada
- Michael Cappucci, Managing Director for Compliance and Sustainable Investing, Harvard Management Company
Moderator: Mindy Lubber, Chief Executive Officer & President, Ceres

Panel: Can climate philanthropy, government, and venture capital bridge the finance and action gap?
- Dr Andrew Steer, President & Chief Executive Officer, Bezos Earth Fund
- Jonah Goldman, Managing Director, Breakthrough Energy
- Jigar Shah, Director, Loan Programs Office, US Department of Energy
- Marilyn Waite, Climate and Clean Energy Finance Program Officer, William and Flora Hewlett Foundation
Moderator: Susan Mac Cormac, Partner, Morrison & Foerster LLP

Closing Remarks
• Amy Davidsen, Executive Director, North America, Climate Group