

IOMC Thematic Day:
*Chemical Pollution Disclosure, Sustainability Reporting, &
Sustainable Financing*

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Introductions & Organization

- » *Mercy Investment Services, as a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, recognizes the moral imperative of working for a just and sustainable world, and embraces socially responsible investing as a means of promoting systemic change to respond to the critical needs of the time.*
- » Rooted in the Gospel and guided by the mission and Critical Concerns of the Sisters of Mercy.
- » Raise our voice to effect systemic change through corporate policies and activities.



Systemic & Material Risks



- » *Ensure the long-term health of communities, consumers, and the environment by using sustainable chemicals in products and manufacturing.*
- » Addressing the systemic risks to people and planet from chemicals of concern is good enterprise risk management practice.
- » Market opportunity from investing in and prioritizing green/sustainable chemistry and solutions.

How We Effect Change

- » Active stewardship through investor initiatives:
 - » Investor Environmental Health Network
 - » ChemSec's Investor Initiative on Hazardous Chemicals
 - » Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility
 - » Nature Action 100 and Climate Action 100+
 - » Principles for Responsible Investing
- » Positive outcomes:
 - » Companies embedding safer chemical management into business strategy
 - » Calculating their chemical footprint
 - » Reducing chemicals of concern
 - » Investing in safer alternatives and solutions



Aligning with Standards & Frameworks

- » Global Biodiversity Framework 2030 Targets:
 - » Target 7: Reduce pollution risks and ... reduce the overall risk from pesticides and highly hazardous chemicals by at least half including through integrated pest management.
- » Global Framework on Chemicals 2030 & 2035 Targets:
 - » A7: Phase out highly hazardous pesticides in agriculture where the risks have not been managed and where safer and affordable alternatives are available.
- » EU's Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive:
 - » Conduct double materiality
 - » Understand how corporations' operations and value chains affect biodiversity and ecosystems, including the extent to which it contributes to drivers of biodiversity and ecosystem loss and degradation
- » TNFD:
 - » Provides risk management and disclosure framework to identify, assess, manage, and disclose nature-related impacts and dependencies.

Thank you!

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