

## Introduction to 2025 Disclosure Cycle

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## About CDP

CDP is a global non-profit that runs the world's environmental disclosure system for companies, cities, states and regions.





**640+** 

Investors with US\$127 trillion of assets



**300+** 

purchasing organizations



**1 24,800+** 

disclosing companies worth two thirds of global market capitalization



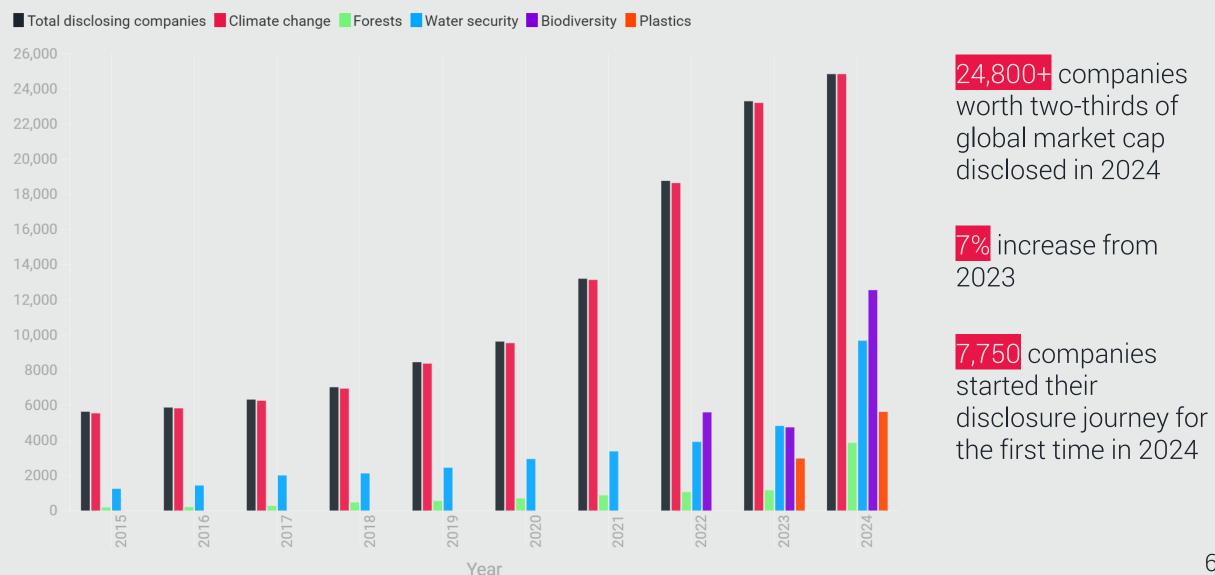
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disclosing cities, states & regions



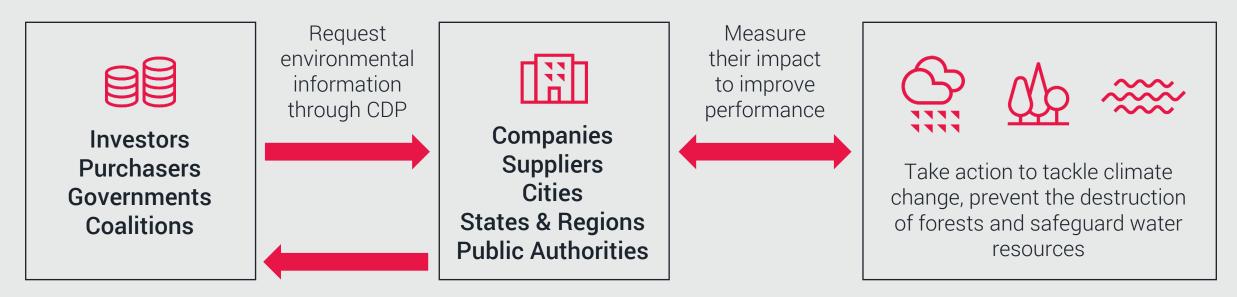
#### CDP has made disclosure a business norm

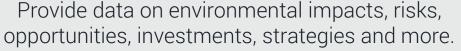




## How we work

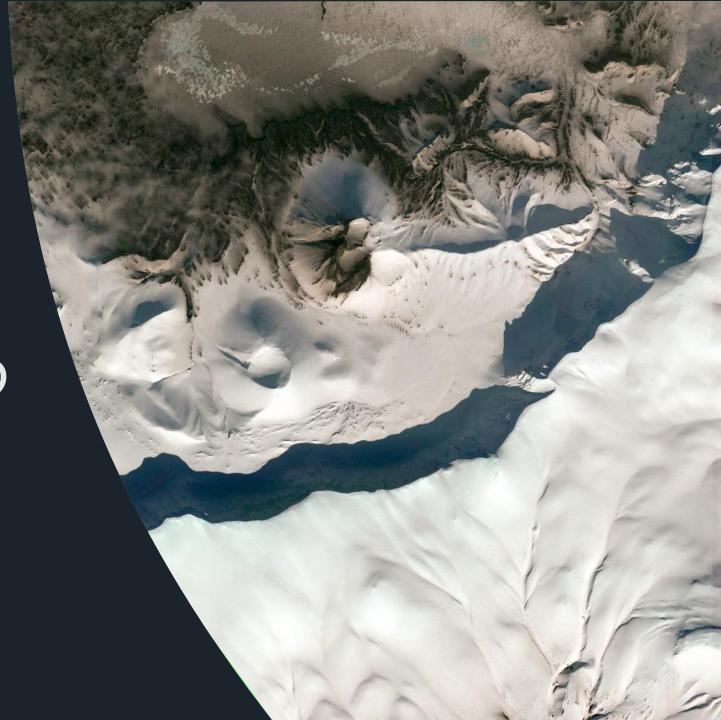
Investors and purchasing companies use CDP to make informed decisions, reward companies with superior performance and drive action.







Why Disclose through CDP?





## Disclosure is a business necessity



#### **Build resilient business models**

Disclosure helps protect your bottom line, by illuminating risks and identifying opportunities, supporting sustained business growth while protecting our planet.



#### Disclose once, for many uses

Our "write once, use many" approach ensures organizations can turn a single disclosure into powerful market intelligence that fuels decision-making at all levels. Disclosing through CDP provides a competitive edge, allowing users to secure capital, reduce risks, and boost efficiency.



#### Drive impact through alignment and insight

CDP has forged powerful partnerships to ensure disclosed data goes further and faster. We are progressing alignment with the world's most relevant frameworks and standards, supporting organizations to prepare for incoming regulation and evolving market demands.



#### Stable partnership in an uncertain world

For 25 years, CDP has remained a trusted partner in an ever-changing market. In 2025, our focus is on providing requesters and disclosers with the maximum level of stability.



## Earth-Positive impact



By their third year of disclosure, 69% of companies have set a climate target, compared to 38% in year one.



28% of first-time water disclosers assess the business growth implications of water security, rising to 40% in year three.

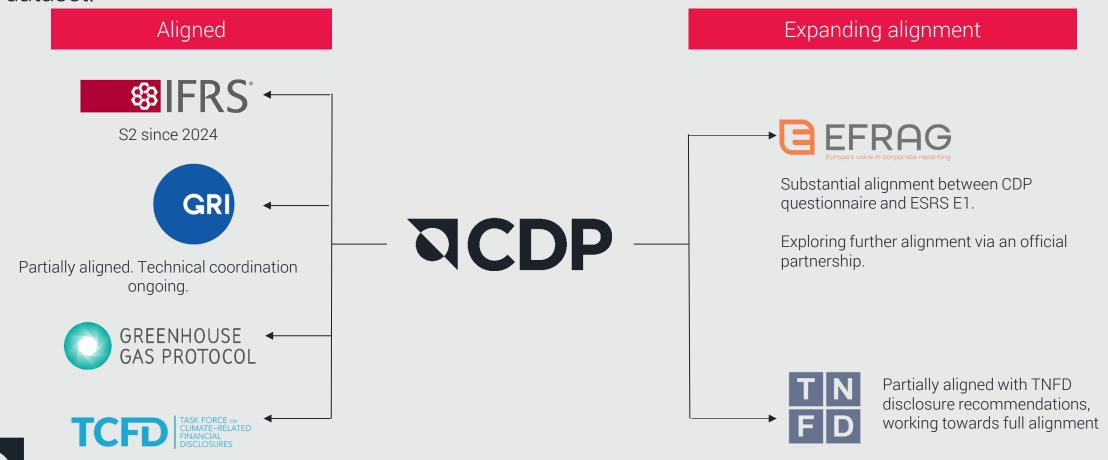


80% of respondents have developed forest policies and commitments, up from less than half first-time disclosers.



## Enabling standards-aligned disclosure globally

CDP turns standards into something tangible an organization can use; questions and datapoints to be answered and actioned, sharing this high-quality data back to stakeholders and the market in one dataset.



## Write once, read many

navigating

regulation

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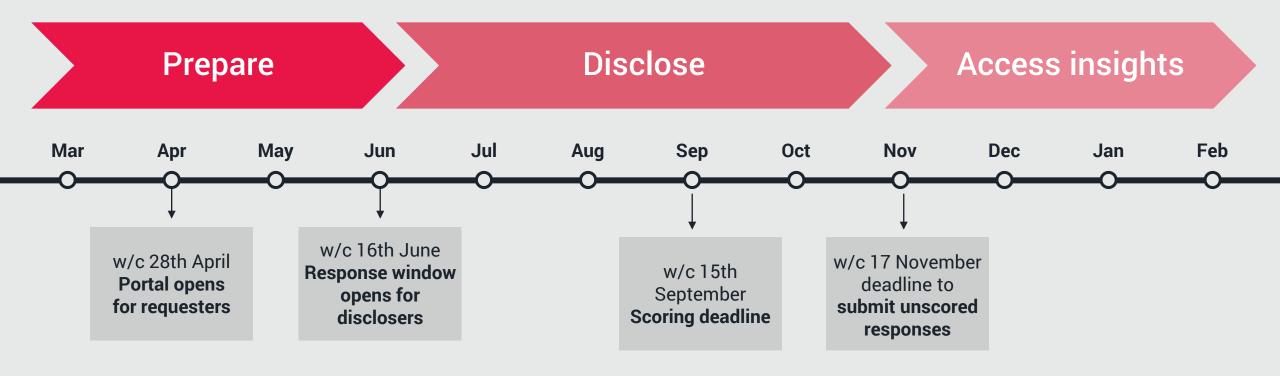
"With a record of success in driving the adoption of disclosure frameworks, CDP is an established, trusted tool that supports companies on their path to ISSB compliance. Our partnership will make life easier for companies to disclose relevant data to their stakeholders and will critically accelerate rapid global uptake of IFRS S2 and the availability of information so urgently needed by investors."

Emmanuel Faber, ISSB Chair





## 2025 disclosure timeline





## Focus on functionality

#### Stability

Less Portal down time for a more stable user experience. Our focus will be on providing maximum stability.



#### Clear and Timely Communication & Support

Enhanced signposting and guidance available in both PDF format and in the Portal.





## Minimal Questionnaire or Scoring Changes

No changes to questionnaires' content. Minimal changes to the way questions are phrased, designed to remove ambiguity.



#### In year scores

2025 scores will be released before the end of 2025.

#### Customer Experience

Dedicated one-to-one support and account management. Improved translations of the questionnaire in Chinese, Japanese, Spanish and Portuguese.



## Improvements for 2025

#### **Disclosers**

- Enhanced copy forward capabilities for 2024 responses
- Portal homepage and navigation improvements
- Enhanced payment and invoicing
- Simplified register to disclose process
- Questionnaire enhancements



## Full Corporate Questionnaire



#### Layout and Structure



Integrated modules

Module 7 - Environmental Performance Climate Change

Module 8 - Environmental Performance Forests

Module 9 - Environmental Performance Water Security

Module 10 - Environmental Performance -

**Plastics** 

Module 11 - Environmental Performance -

**Biodiversity** 

Modules specific to one environmental issue

Module 12 – Environmental Performance – Financial Services

Module 13 – Further Information & Sign off

Integrated modules

Sector-specific module

## About CDP scores

A CDP score provides a snapshot of a company's disclosure and environmental performance.

Scores indicate the level of action reported by the company to assess and manage its environmental impacts during the reporting year.









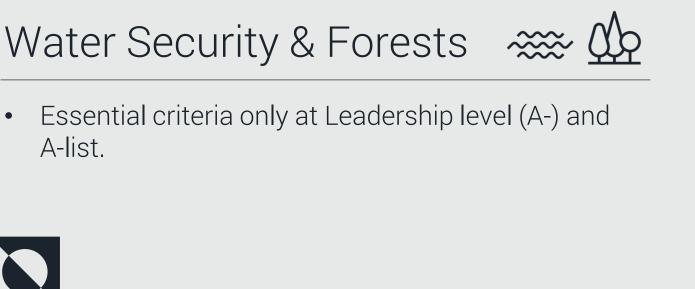




## Essential Criteria

#### Climate

- Essential criteria applied to all levels
- Areas of focus include Governance, Processes and **Ambition**







## Response publicity status

A selection made at submission

#### Public response\*

- Response available for all your organization's requestors (Capital Markets Signatories, customers, etc.)
- Response available for all public data users.

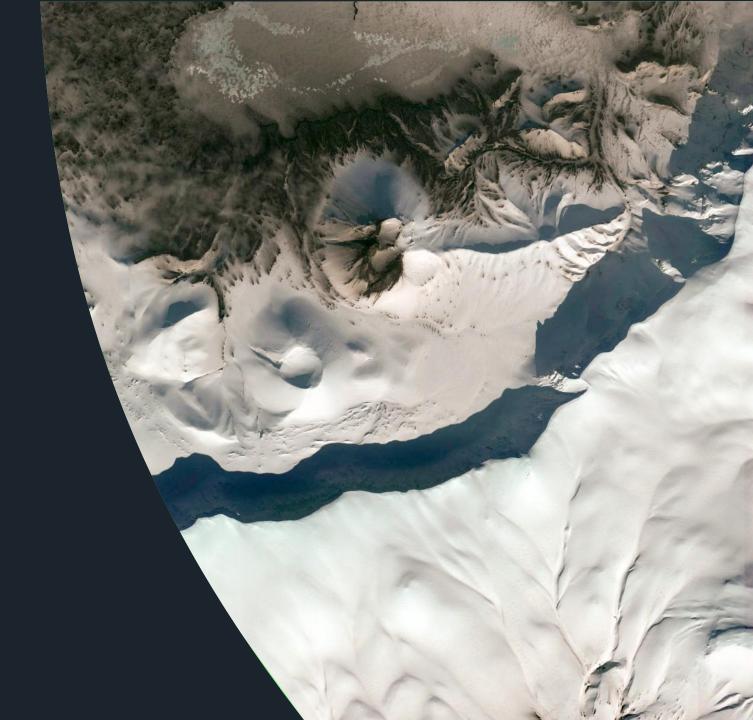
#### Non-public response

- Response available for all your organization's requestors (Capital Markets Signatories, customers, etc.)
- Response only available beyond requestors if anonymized and/or aggregated.



\*Having a public response is a criteria to be scored at Leadership level.

# Top Tips for First-Time Responders





## Getting Access to your CDP dashboard

For first timers to CDP's systems

- Fill out a 'Register to Disclose' Form available on CDP Help Center after disclosure cycle starts (week of 16<sup>th</sup> June)
- Key Information required:
  - ☐ Company's DUNS
    (Dun and
    Bradstreet) number
     to identify your
    company

#### Register to disclose

Thank you for taking the first steps to start your disclosure through CDP.

You should complete this form if your organization is disclosing through CDP for the **first-time** and require access to the CDP Portal to start your disclosure.

If you have colleagues with access to the CDP Portal, we encourage you to contact them instead, to assist with adding you to your organization's CDP Portal account directly.

Please complete this form in English as best as you can to ensure you are accurately matched to your organization.

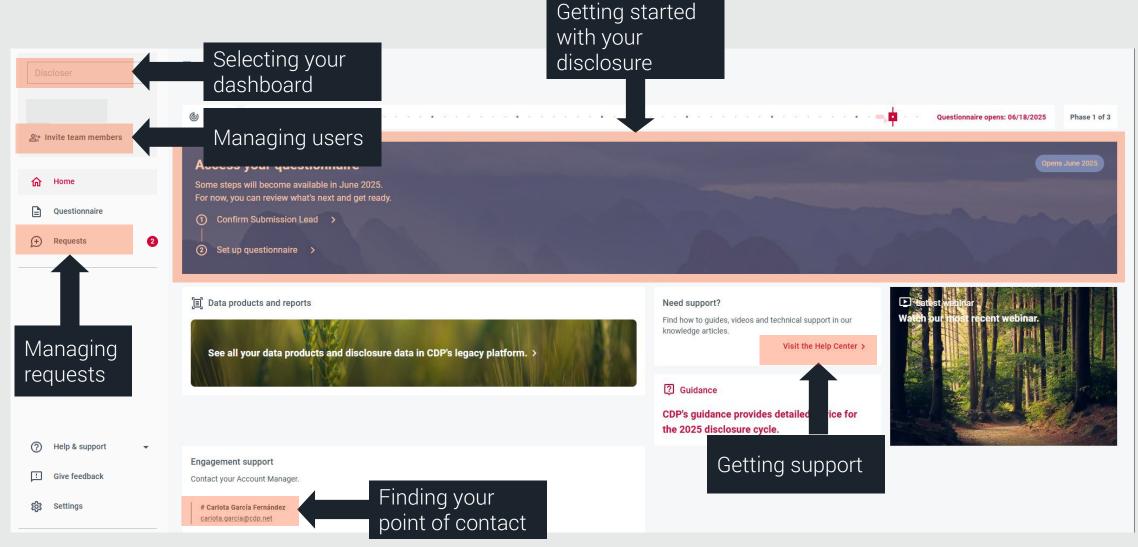
Please select your purpose for this registration:

My customer(s) and/or CDP Capital Market signatories have requested my organization to disclose through My organization has not been formally requested to disclose by anyone but would like to disclose through CDP independently

I am part of a City, State or Region that would like to disclose through CDP



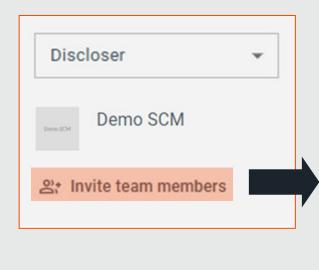
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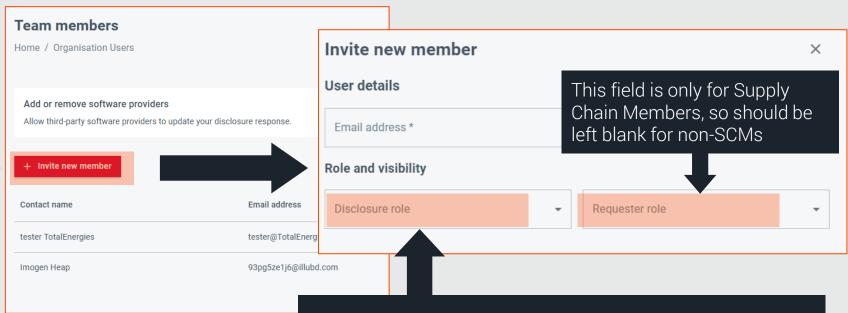




#### Managing users

If users have already disclosed before and have a log-in username and password, they can access the Portal and use instructions below to "Invite new member" or change their Disclosure roles





New contacts must be assigned a "Disclosure role", either as "Submission Lead" or "Contributor."

- Disclosure Submission Lead will be responsible for setting up the questionnaire, submission, and if applicable, payment procedures.
- **Disclosure Contributors** may support and edit questionnaire content.



## Questionnaire setup I

#### Access your questionnaire

Some steps will become available in June 2025. For now, you can review what's next and get ready.

Confirm Submission Lead

Opens the 'Team Members' page

Set up questionnaire >

#### Opens the 'Questionnaire setup' page:

- 1. About your organization: Revenue & Number of employees for SME eligibility
- 2. Activity Classification: CDP-ACS selection and revenue derived from each activity
- 3. Assessment of environmental issues: Has the organization identified impacts on F/WS?
- 4. Intent to Submit
- 5. Additional Information: Forests commodities and mining operations

## Team members Home / Organisation Users Add or remove software providers Allow third-party software providers to update your disclosure response. + Invite new member Contact name Email address tester TotalEnergies tester@TotalEnergies.com Imogen Heap 93pg5ze1j6@illubd.com

#### Set up your CDP questionnaire

These introductory questions help us customize the questionnaire for your organization.

#### Note:

- Your answers here will not be publicly disclosed, even if you choose to make the rest of your CDP response public;
- These questions are not part of your final submission;
- You can change your answers at any time until you submit your final CDP response;
- . If you change your answers, the sections in your CDP questionnaire may change too

The questions cover the following topics. Some may not be presented to your organization:

About your organization

Activity Classification

Assessment of environmental issues

Intent to submit

Additional information

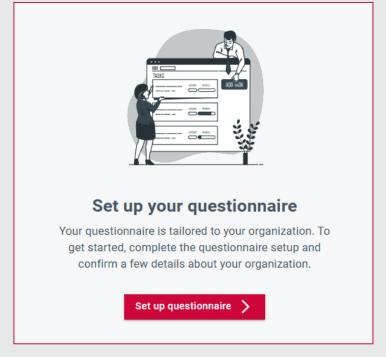
Start questionnaire setup



## Questionnaire setup II

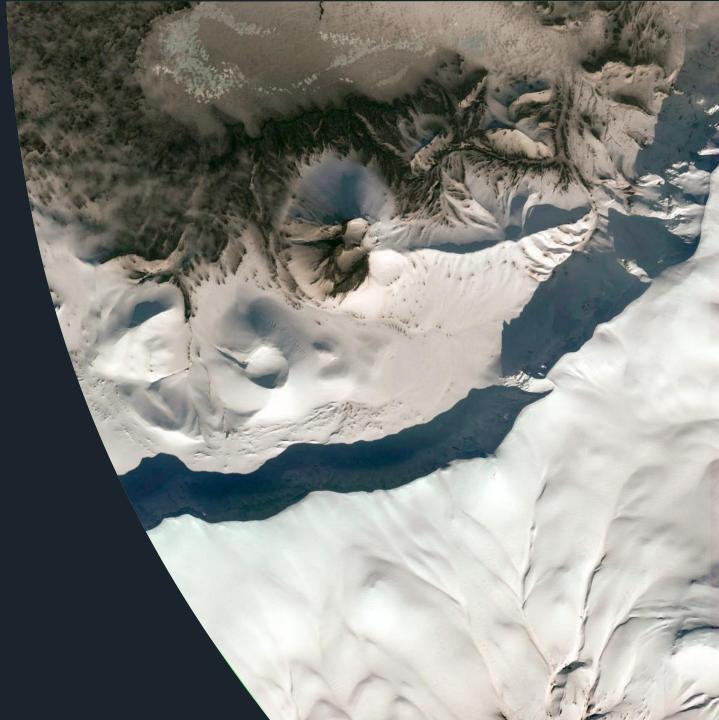
- The questionnaire setup can only be submitted by the Submission Lead
- The questionnaire setup must be resubmitted whenever organizations accept or merge new requests
- Once the questionnaire setup is submitted, re-opening it will change the setup to "Edit" mode, and it must be re-submitted by the Submission Lead in order to access the questionnaire. Otherwise, they will see this message when accessing the questionnaire:

Read this **knowledge article** to learn more about the Questionnaire setup steps.





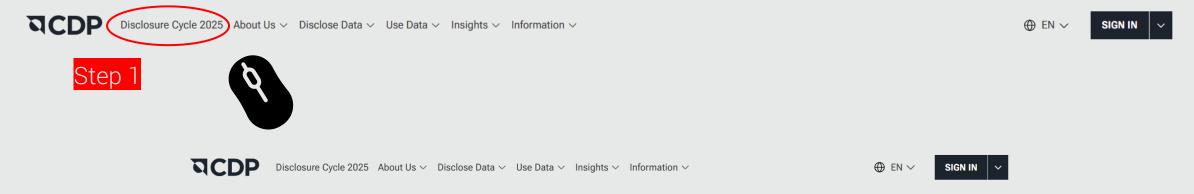
Where to find resources?





### Navigating 2025 cycle information

Our Disclosure cycle 2025 page



#### CDP Disclosure Cycle 2025

April 30 update: Our scoring methodologies <u>are now available below</u> along with our <u>Key Changes</u> documents. Requesters can begin to create their Request lists in the <u>CDP Portal</u>.

#### Scroll Down

#### Environmental disclosure is now more important than ever.

In our 25th year, we look forward to partnering with you to facilitate disclosure that is critical for driving Earth-positive change.

This year, Requester and Discloser feedback is at the heart of our approach to the disclosure cycle, with Portal stability and core functionality among our areas of focus.

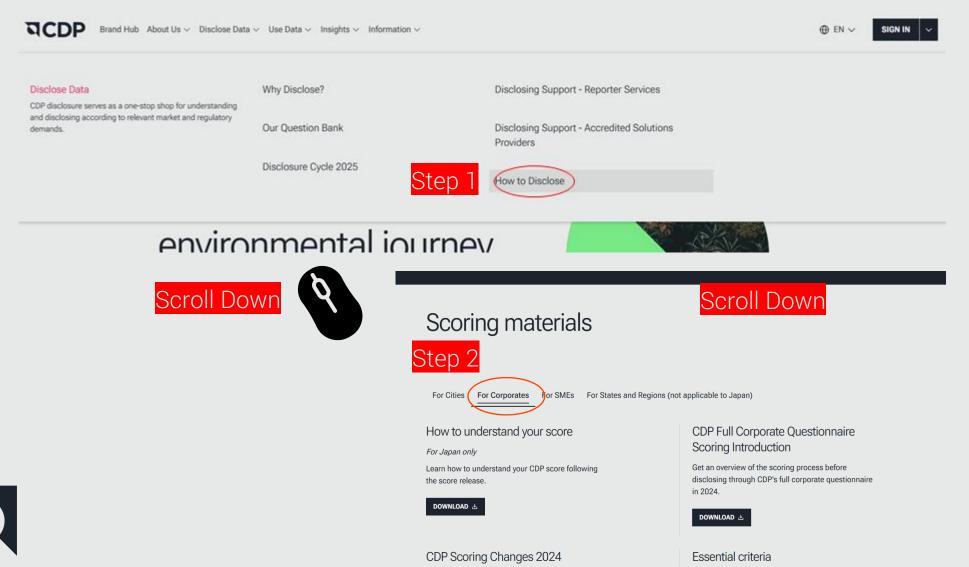
Here on our Disclosure Hub, you can find key updates, documents and information throughout the cycle.





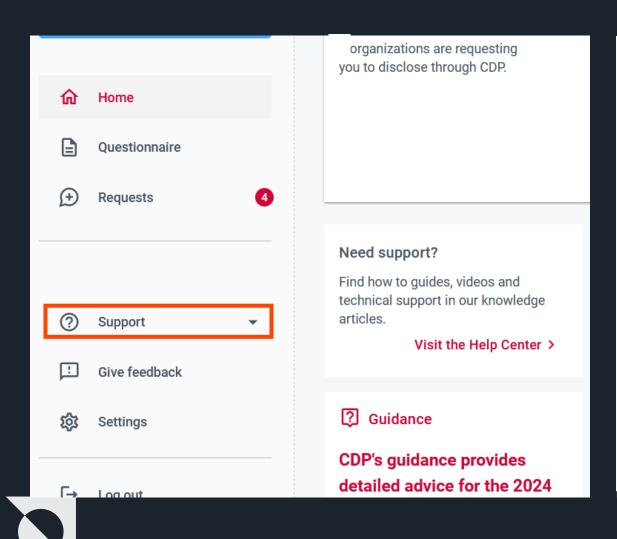
### Updates to 2025 cycle

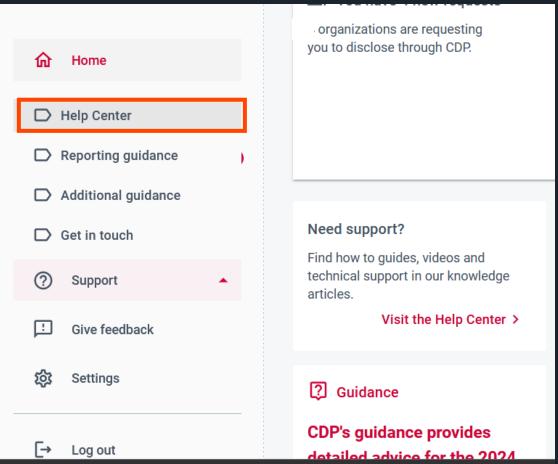
Our new 2025 Disclosure Cycle Page



## Contacting Help Center

If you do not have an assigned account manager





#### Resources Summary

- 2025 CDP Questionnaire Overview
- CDP Corporate Questionnaire Glossary 2025
- 2025 Questionnaire & Guidance

Modules 1-6: Integrated questions;

Module 7: Climate Change;

Modules 8 to 13:

Water Security, Forests, Biodiversity, Plastics and Financial Services

- 2025 CDP Scoring Introduction
- CDP Corporate Scoring Changes 2025
- CDP 2025 Scoring Methodology

Climate Change, Water Security, Forests



2025 Full Essential Criteria

Climate Change, Water Security, Forests

