Caribbean Blue Outcomes Fund

Transforming Natural Capital from a Fiscal Cost into Sovereign Infrastructure.

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The $165 Billion Market Failure

$175 Billion
Needed for the blue economy by 2030

$10 Billion
Invested since 2015

$1.18/hectare

Governments currently allocate an average of just 1% of national budgets to protected areas. The result is a crippling **$576 million** management gap for Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) alone.

Fixing the Category Error

Built Infrastructure	Natural Infrastructure
• Seawalls, Water Treatment Facilities	• Mangroves, Coral Reefs, Seagrasses
• Viewed as capital assets.	• Historically viewed as an environmental externality.
• Financed through sovereign debt.	• Must be repositioned as productive capital assets with intrinsic fiscal value.

Treating macroeconomic variables as environmental ones costs nature-rich sovereigns billions. Natural ecosystems are critical assets with intrinsic value, functionally equivalent to built infrastructure.

From Disclosure to Action

TNFD Reporting
Identifying nature-related dependencies and operational risks. (Passive)

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Measurable Investment
Moving beyond audit-ready sustainability reporting. (Transition)

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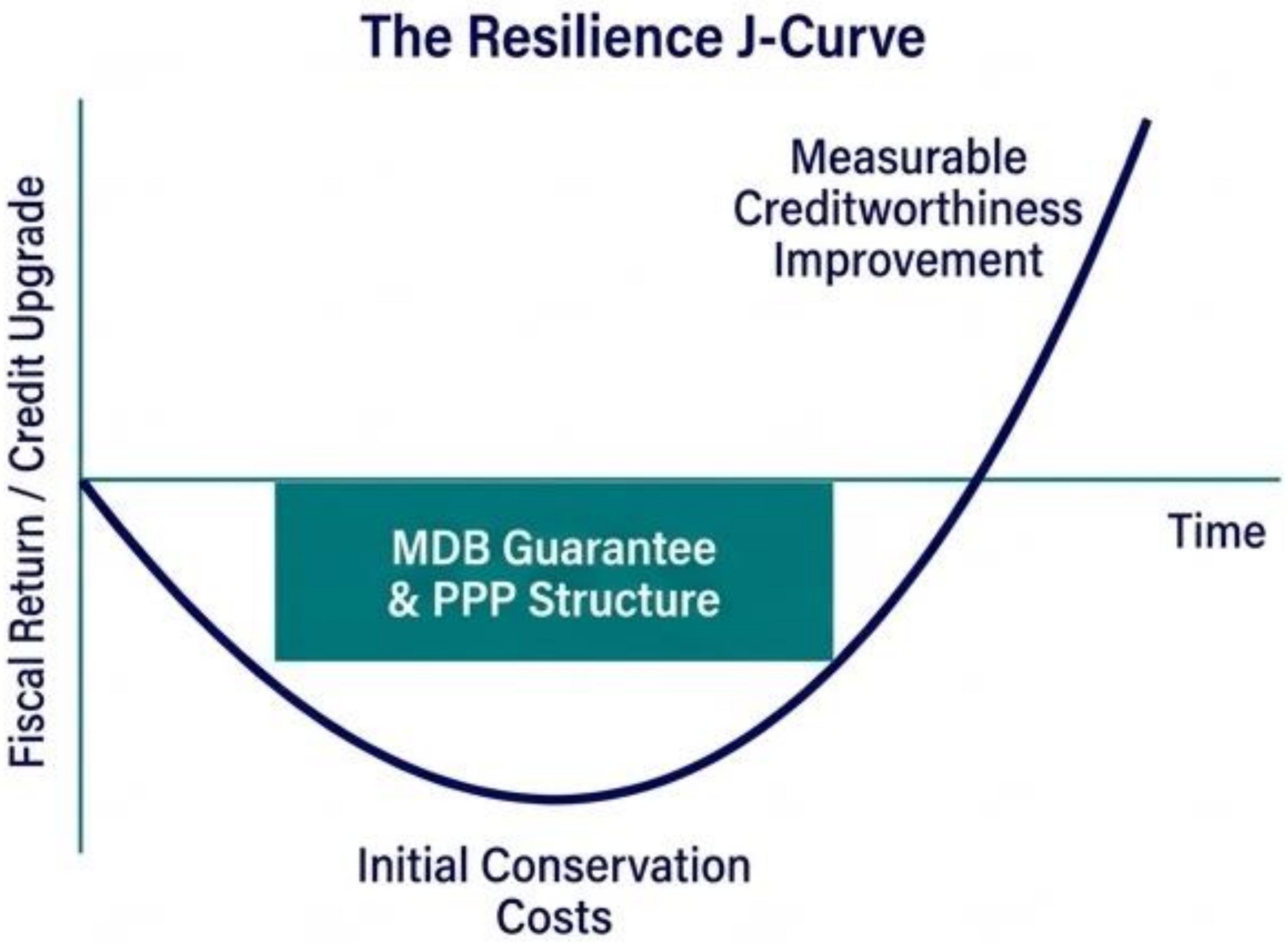
The CBOF
Financing verified ecosystem resilience. (Active)

> **"Disclosure alone does not reduce risk. Investing in ecosystem resilience does."**

The Sovereign Creditworthiness Upgrade Hypothesis



Nature-positive investments structured through PPPs and backed by Multilateral Development Bank guarantees bridge the temporal gap between upfront costs and long-term macroeconomic returns.

Pay-for-Results & Sovereign Guarantees

Mechanism Loop

Corporate Payments
Triggered exclusively by verified performance.

Verified Outcomes (MRV)
Robust measurement of reef restoration, coastal protection, and carbon sequestration.

Sovereign Guarantor
Government backs results aligned with NDCs and National Biodiversity Strategies (NBSAPs).

> **“Corporates do not pay for promises — they pay for verified outcomes.”**

Strategic Natural Infrastructure

Natural capital is not philanthropy. It is strategic infrastructure for future economic stability.