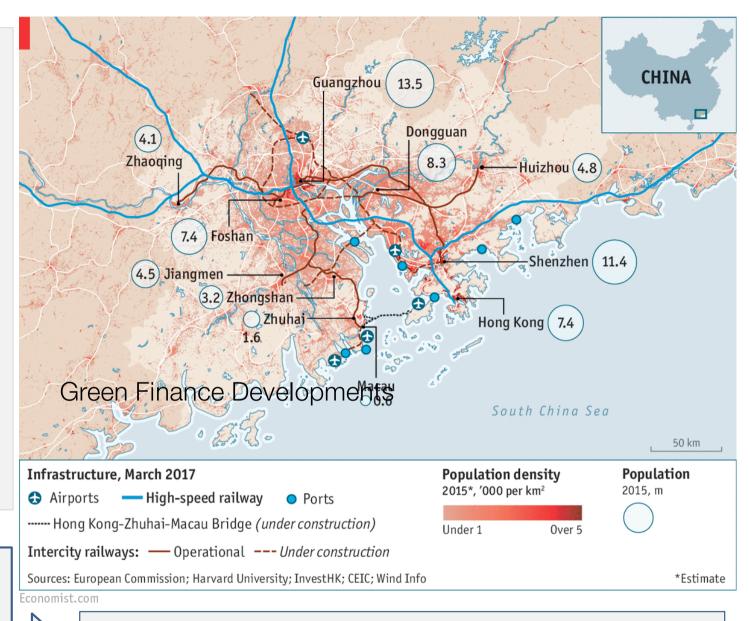


Financing Green Infrastructure in the Greater Bay Area

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GBA Facts

- Location: Southern China
- 2. 11 cities
- Population:
 67milion, 5% of
 China's
 Population
- 4. USD 1.4trillion GDP, that is **20%** of China's GDP
- 5. Industry:Manufacturing,Financial Services(HK)
- Population density very high
- 2. Climate risk very high



Potential economic and social costs are very high!

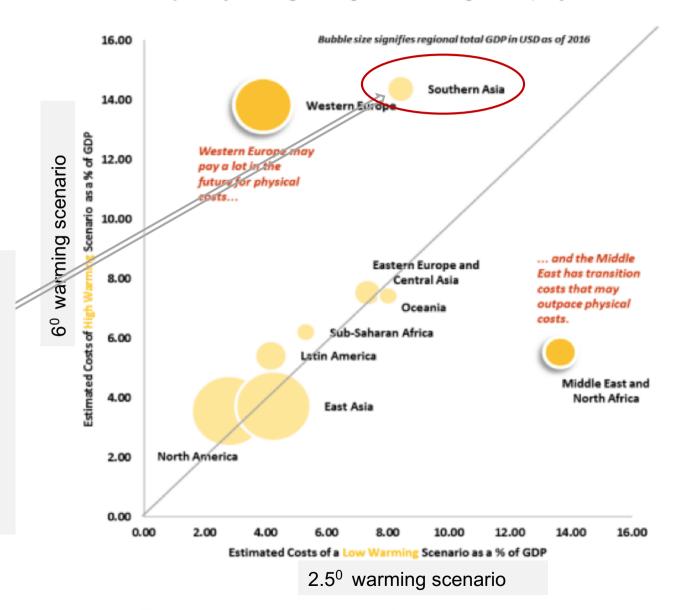


Estimated Physical (+Transition) Costs due to Climate-warming

BY REGION...

Estimated cost as a percent of GDP in "High Warming" and "Low Warming" scenarios, as of 2016.

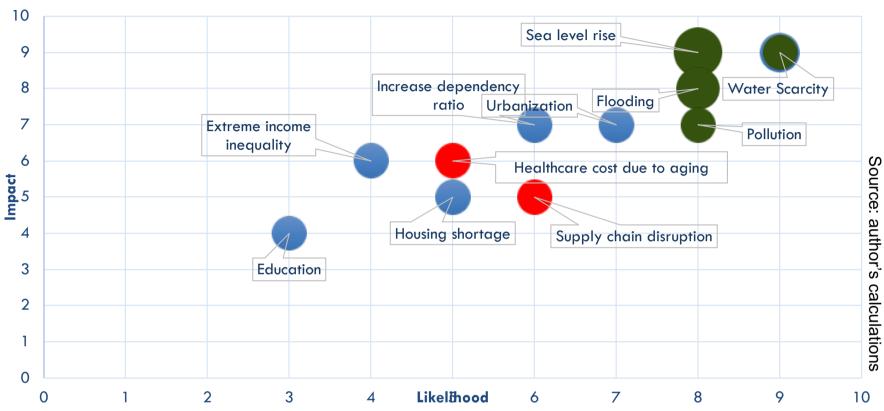
Climate-related economic costs (social not included) due to climate warming are between 10% to 14% of the GDP.





Source: Nordhaus and Boyer, EBRD, MSCI ESG Research

GBA Risks



Example: Flood related economic looses

Urban agglomeration	Average annual economic loss (in USD million)	AAL as % of city GDP	100-year exposure 2050* (in USD billion)
Guangzhou	13,200	1.46	760
Mumbai	6,414	0.49	522
Kolkata	3,350	0.26	495
Shenzen	3,136	0.40	218

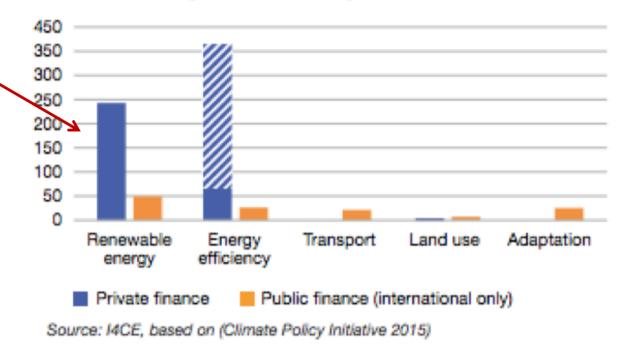


Source: Geneva Association: Insuring Flood Risk in Asia's High-Growth Markets

Climate Finance Priority should be Energy Efficiency



Financed typically by large corporations:
1- utilities
2-corporates
3-public institutions



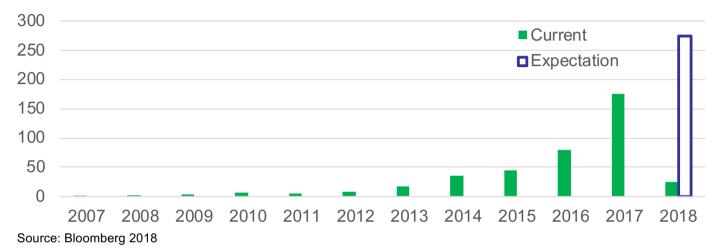
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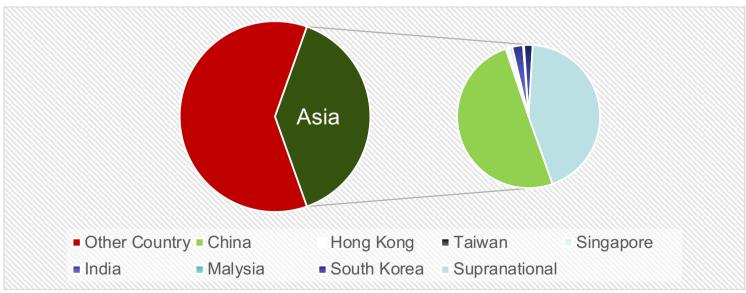
Green Bond market

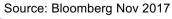


China Green Bond Market

As of Feb 2018, total outstanding green bonds stand at \$338Bn, with \$124Bn issuance in Asia.

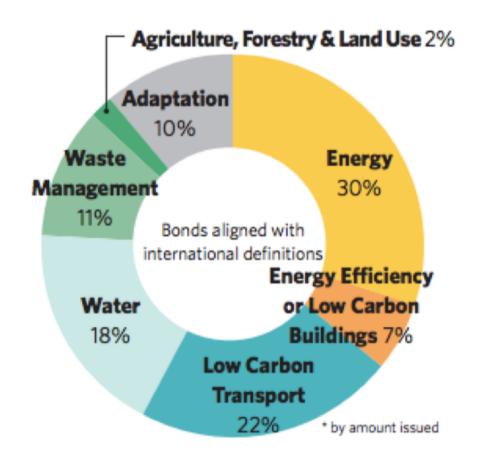








China Green Bonds usage of Proceeds

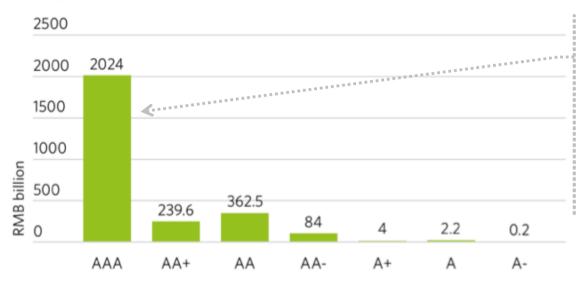


Source: CIB 2018



China Green Bonds Performance

Ratings distribution



>75% of the green bond issuers are AAA rating, hence low probability of default.

Maturity is 3-5yrs, but for government backed green bonds extends to 10yrs.

Source Bloomberg, 2017

Index Name	1 Month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	YTD (Dec 05, '17)
China Bond China Climate-Aligned Bond	(0.69%)	2.59%	6.76%	19.94%	4.24%
China Bond Green Bond	(0.69%)	(0.90%)	14.24%	27.47%	(0.2%)
China Bond Green Selected Bond	(0.73%)	(1.14%)	12.29%	25.58%	(0.14%)
China Bond New Aggregated Bond Index	(0.03%)	4.26%	3.63%	14.66%	5.15%

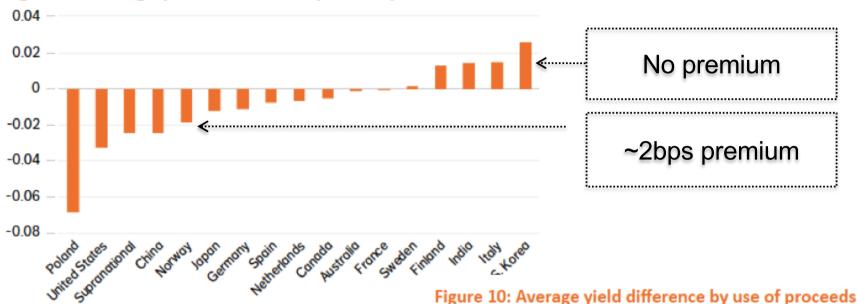
Source: CCDP

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Is there a "Green" Premium?

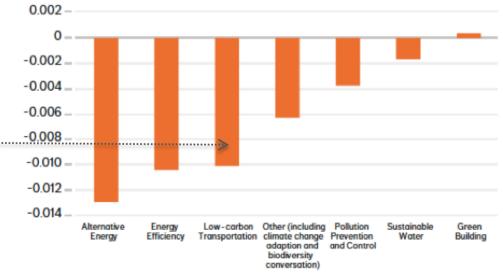
Figure 4: Average yield difference by country



Source: NN Investment Partners

- 1- Premium depends on the use of proceeds
- 2- Energy efficiency projects sold at premium
- 3- Overall premium is not the driver for issuing "green"

Source: Unravelling the Green Bond Premium, January 2018

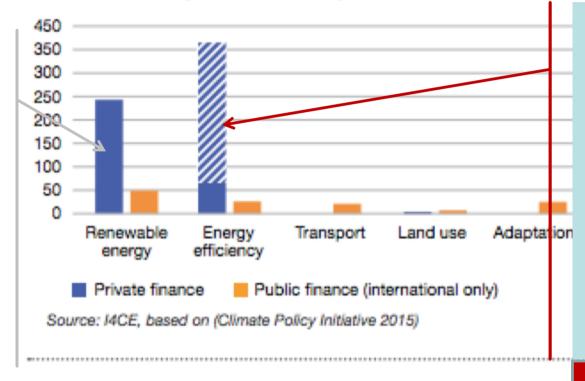




however the Green Bond Market alone cannot finance the transition



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40% of low carbon energy investment will be made by a large number of small project developers (individuals):
1-electric vehicles

2- energy efficiency in buildings

Access

No access

Access

Green Bond market

Green Loan/ABS market



The "Green" label benefits are limited, unless restructured

Investors

no significant green premium

need for increase transparency

climate risk is not priced in

Issuers

commitment to climate mitigation strategies

increased in investor base

would have financed anyway

Government /Regulators

Provide a pipeline of green assets/infrastructure

ask for additional information

expand the label of green

Market

green loans for small project holders

securitize/ structure the loans

beyond green/social impact bonds/ sustainable bonds

