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Global Managing Director
Climate Risk, Decarbonization,
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Education, licenses, certifications

- University of Ottawa, B.A. (Hons) in Urban Planning
- York University, M.A. in Environmental Management
- ENVISION SP certified

Background

David has 25 years of experience assisting large corporate, investor and public sector clients to position their organizations in order to be successful in a zero carbon, climate resilient and nature positive future. His physical climate risk and decarbonization strategy, risk & disclosure experience spans clients across Canada, U.S., Caribbean, South America, Australia, and Europe - he has helped corporates and financial institutions (banks, pension funds, institutional investors) to orient capital flows towards resilient investments by assisting them to understand, quantify and price physical and transition-related climate and nature risks, adopt and implement technical enablers (data, modelling, analytics, climateTech), develop climate credit risk analysis and diligence tools, design innovative low-carbon / DRR / resilience financial products, and implement effective governance, accountability and change frameworks to enable integration of climate change in the culture and decision-fabric and apparatus of organizations.

Prior to joining KPMG he held the following roles:

- Managing Partner – Americas & Caribbean – VIRIDI GLOBAL
- Chief Climate Officer – ClimateXBI
- Global Lead – Banking & Capital Markets – GIST IMPACT
- Senior Director & Marketplace Leader – PwC Sustainable Business Solutions
- Senior Director & Marketplace Leader – Deloitte Sustainability & Climate Change
- Principal Associate – Energy, Environment & Sustainability – The Conference Board

From 2017 to 2021, David was the founding Chair of ARISE Canada – the UN private-public collaborative platform for disaster risk reduction and climate resilience (Hyogo Framework for DRR). He has previously led industry leadership efforts by the Canadian Banking Association and G7 Investor Leadership Initiatives to develop industry-standard guidance and technical tools for banks and asset owners to conduct climate change risk analysis and integrate insights into investment strategy, and to conduct meaningful climate disclosures in alignment with the TCFD.

David sits/has participated on numerous sustainability and climate change advisory boards and committees including:

- International Emissions Trading Association – Integrity in Digital Climate Markets Taskforce
- World Bank – Climate Action Data Trust – Expert Advisory Committee
- National Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy - Expert Panel on Climate
- Task Force on Nature Related Financial Disclosures – Advisory Group
- Climate Disclosure Standards Board – Expert Technical Committee (Financial Accounting & Reporting; Water Accounting & Reporting)
- ISO Expert Technical Committee 207 (Climate Finance Standard – ISO14097)
- Climate Financial Risk Management Initiative – 1-in-100 Initiative
- Carbon Bond Initiative - Hydropower Standard Industry Working Group
- Global Water Forum - Climate-Related Precipitation Extremes – Expert Committee
- Climate Chain Coalition (Blockchain/DLT) – Adaptation Working Group

In 2004, David founded the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) in Canada, where he led efforts by Canada's leading banks, pension funds and institutional asset owners to leverage the power of measurement and information disclosure to improve the management of climate change risk within Canada's largest publicly traded companies.

David was named a Top 40 under 40 (Ottawa) business leader in 2010 in recognition of his contributions to the community, thought leadership and business success.

