



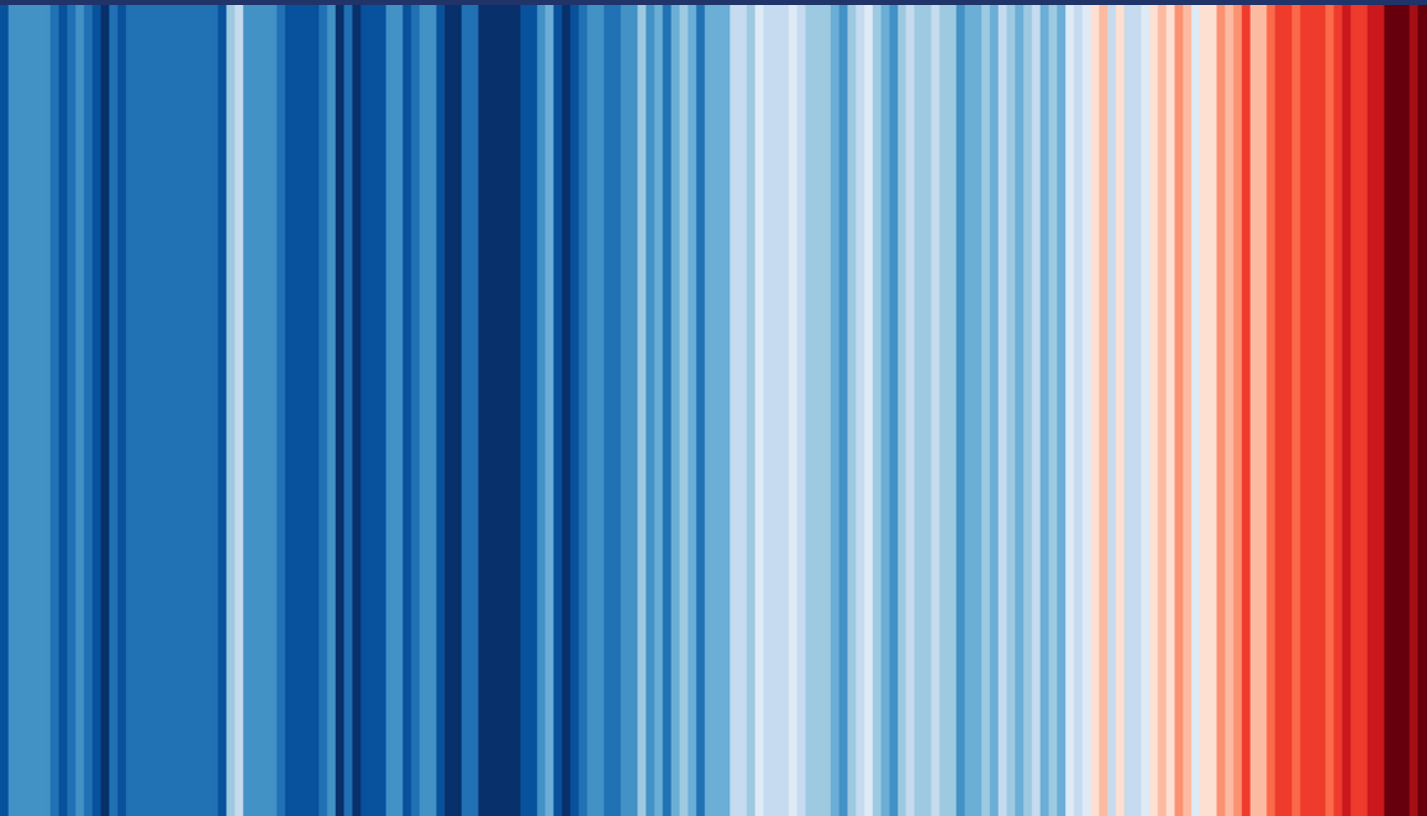
Climate Response Wheel

A tool to visualise your climate change journey

Climate stripes

The climate stripes were created by Professor Ed Hawkins at the University of Reading in 2018. They show clearly and vividly how global average temperatures have risen over nearly two centuries.

These stripes are the inspiration for Foreseeable's own brand colours.



Introduction

Climate change is a complex topic. It can be daunting to understand how it impacts on your business and how your business is impacting on the climate. The Climate Response Wheel has been developed to help you see the whole elephant and plan your climate journey.

The Climate Response Wheel can be used in a number of ways:

- As a communications tool to help explain both internally and externally your work on climate change.
- A reporting tool to provide Executive and Board oversight of the status of the various aspects of your climate change work.
- As a planning tool to identify and scope out the programme of work required across the business in order to be climate ready.

Climate change is not the sole challenge the world is facing and it is essential to consider how your response to climate change can also help or hinder efforts to address biodiversity loss, tackle inequities and a range of other problems. The Climate Response Wheel does not explicitly include these considerations but they should be factored into your assessment.

Please feel free to use, share and customise your own versions of the Climate Response Wheel.

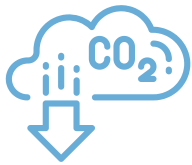
The relationship between climate and business

Before we consider what a climate response needs to look like its important to consider the relationship between business and climate change.



The three workstreams of the climate response

A strategic approach to climate change will put in place actions that enhance your **reputation**, increase your **resilience** and ensure you remain **relevant** in a low carbon future. Each of the following workstreams need to be a part of your climate response plan:



Decarbonisation

Reducing the emissions that are produced by your business directly or indirectly.

- Building up an emission inventory for your whole value chain.
- Assessing the options for reducing emissions.
- Creating the capability and capacity to implement the plan.



Adaptation

Preparing your business for the physical impacts of climate change.

- Mapping your value chain against possible climate impacts.
- Understanding the future climate in relevant geographic areas.
- Identifying the risks and how vulnerable your business might be.
- Creating a plan to adapt.

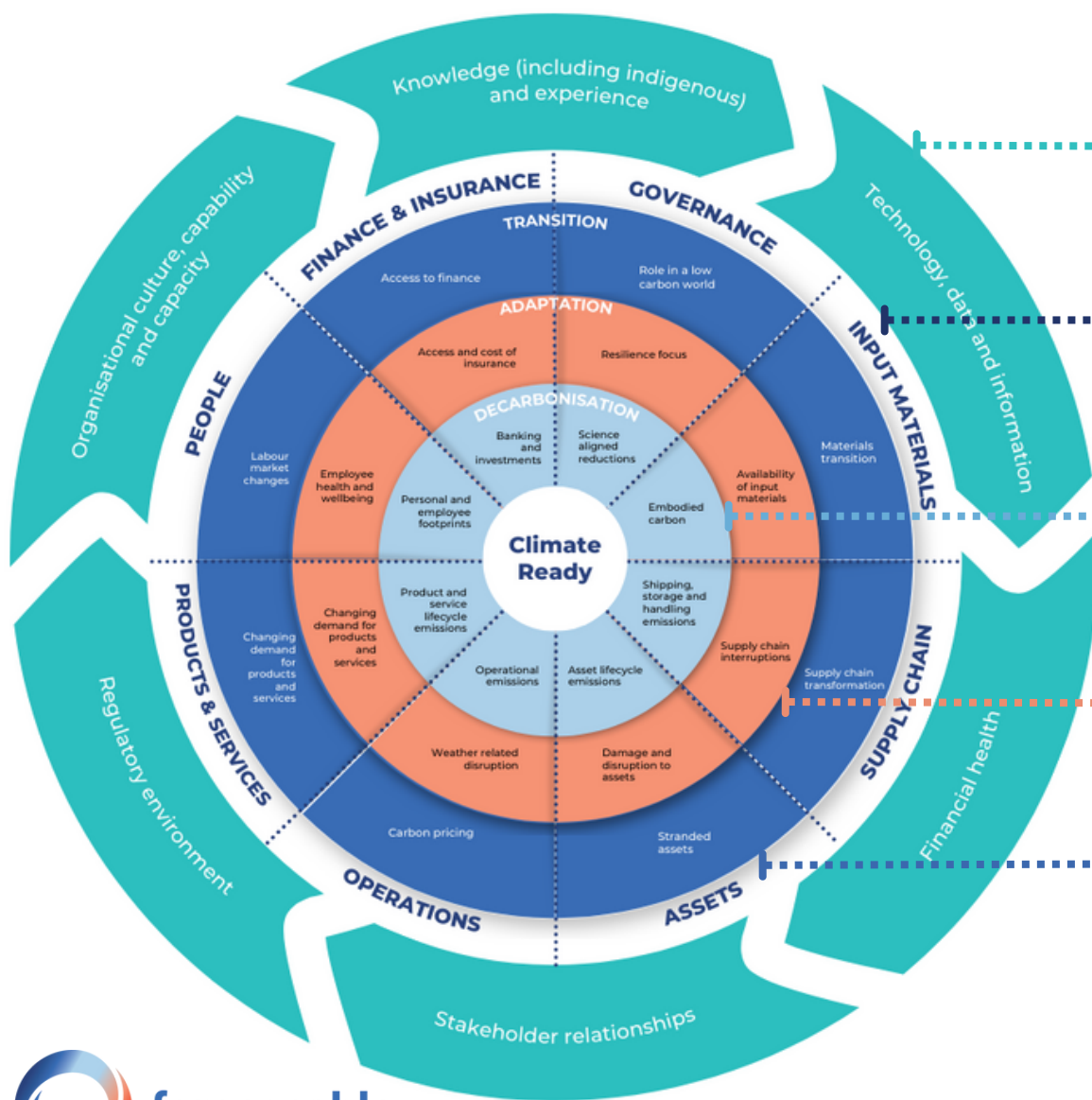


Transition

Aligning your business to a future world where emissions are significantly reduced.

- Understanding the system shifts that are taking place.
- Identifying the risks and opportunities for your business.
- Plotting a plan to align your business with a net zero world.
- Review your business model if you are not aligned with a net zero world.

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Enablers

Your climate response can be accelerated with the right enabling conditions.

Value chain

This is a standardised value chain. Using your own value chain will help you take an end to end view of climate change.

Decarbonisation

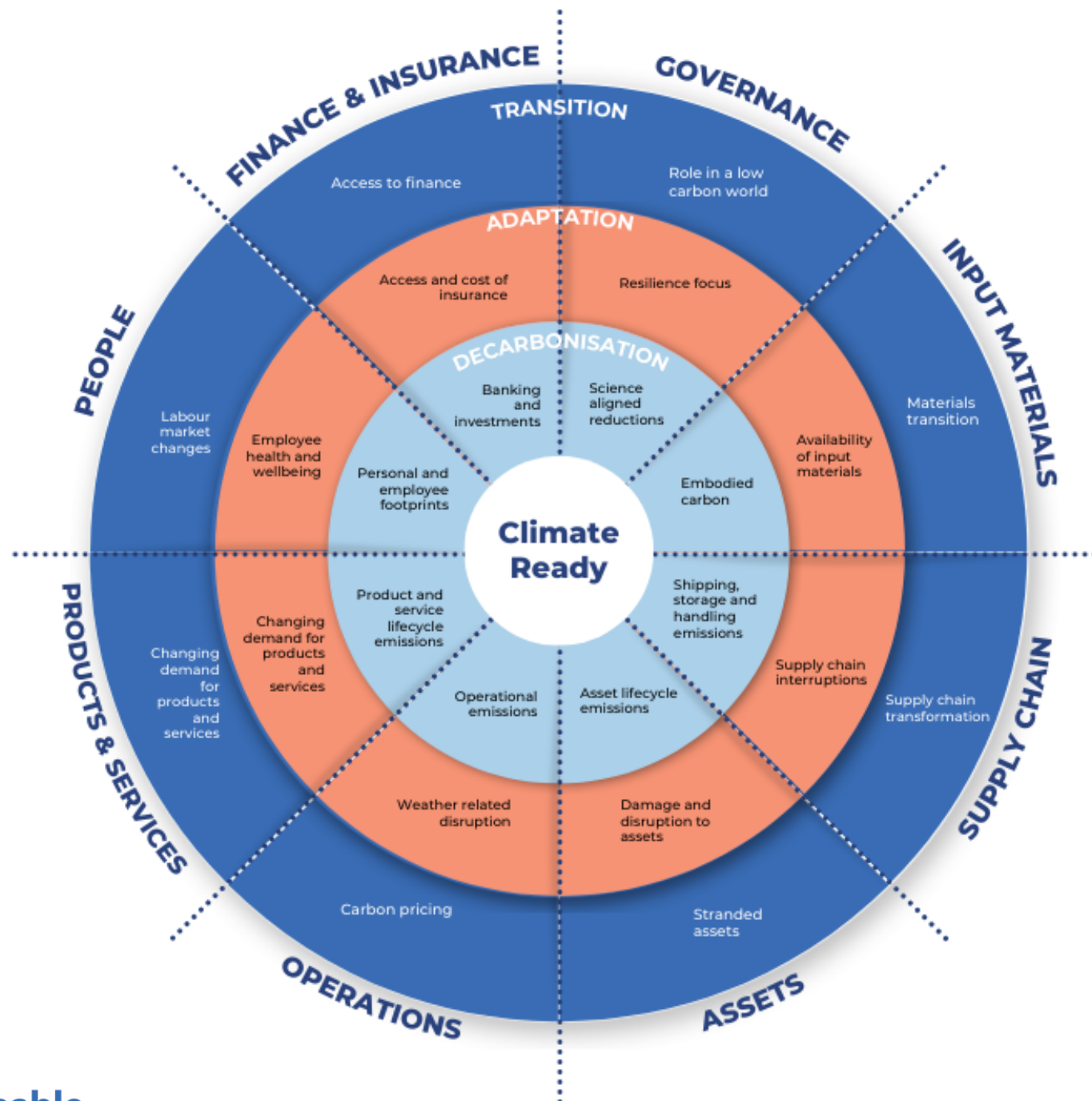
Actions to reduce your carbon footprint including upstream and downstream emissions.

Adaptation

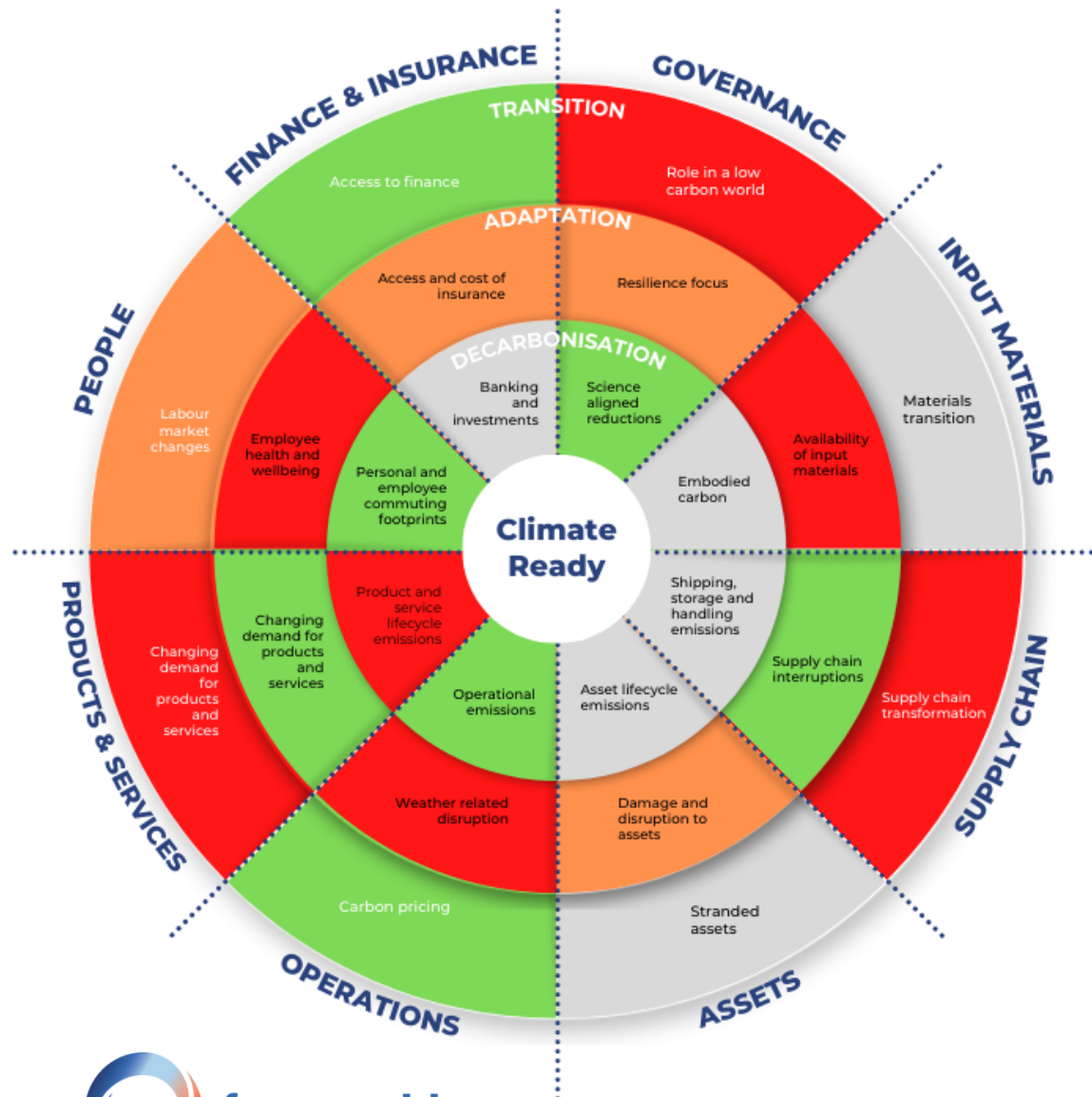
Preparing for the physical impacts of climate change occurring now and into the future.

Transition

Response to the significant system changes that will need to occur in order to meet global climate goals.



Communicating Status



The Climate Response Wheel can be used to provide a status update on the key areas of your climate response. This provides a clear snapshot for boards and management teams to see where additional effort may be required.

Areas that are not relevant for your organisation can be greyed out.



“The future depends on what you do today.”
— **Mahatma Gandhi**



Need a guide for your climate journey - please reach out to me.

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