

### The Power of Efficient Cooling

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### **Cooling is critical for a whole host of industries**



# Cooling itself is already a big industry. It's going to get a lot bigger

Cooling market value versus other sectors (2018, US\$bn)



Source: EIU; Clean Cooling Landscape Assessment; Transparency Market Research; Grand View Research; Alrosa; Newzoo; Power Technology; Allied Market Research

### We forecast that 4.8bn new units of cooling equipment will be sold globally between 2019 and 2030



Global annual cooling sales (2010-2030)

What is driving the growth in cooling?



Source: P&S Intelligence, Green Cooling Initiative, EIU analysis.

The total market value could reach almost US\$170bn by 2030

# **Cooling brings many benefits but is also a substantial and growing contributor to climate change**



# **Rising demand for space cooling threatens the power sector's ability to avoid power outages**





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### **Building new power plants to meet growing demand for** cooling will cost \$4.6trn over the next 10 years



Total financial costs to generate electricity for space

Indirect CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for space cooling by country/region (2010-2030, MtCO<sub>2</sub>)



Source: EIU analysis based on multiple sources

# **Improving the efficiency of air conditioning units could could save \$0.9trn and 2.0 GtCO2 by 2030**

Global financial costs of generating electricity for space cooling under alternative scenarios from direct improvements to AC units (US\$bn)

Baseline ----- Global best today (60% reduction in UEC)

Global best tomorrow (80% reduction in UEC) ..... High ambition MEPs



Source: EIU analysis based on multiple sources

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# Measures to reduce the need for air conditioning units could increase those savings to \$3.5trn and 7.6 GtCO2

Global financial costs of generating electricity for space cooling under alternative scenarios from implementing measures to reduce electricity consumption (US\$bn)





**Changing consumer behaviour** to adapt to being comfortable in slightly higher temperatures.



**Improvements in building design** can influences whether occupants need AC.



**Using roof materials** that can absorb huge amounts of solar energy



**Green spaces and urban planning** can reduce urban heat island effect

Source: EIU analysis based on multiple sources

# **Efficient cooling solutions are necessary to stay on track towards achieving net zero carbon emission goals**

Reduction in number of years required to achieve net zero emissions by 2050 by implementing energy-efficient cooling solutions

Maximum reduction

Minimum reduction

#### Minimum energy performance standards



#### Best available cooling technologies



#### Passive measures



Source: EIU analysis based on multiple sources

# **Beyond the overall benefits to society, different stakeholders can gain from efficient cooling**



Consumers can save money on their energy bills



Policymakers can create jobs and protect consumers

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**Power providers** can better manage demand to reduce the risk of power outages and also reduce the cost of supplying electricity at peak times

## So, what needs to happen next?



#### Who needs to take action?

- Policymakers
- The private sector including investors
- The power sector
- Multilateral Development Banks and International Financial Institutions
- Consumers
- NGOs
- The media
- Philanthropic and academic organisations

### **Upcoming research**

- Today: Launch of the EIU 'Power of Efficient Cooling' report
  - Webinar at 4pm GMT
  - Report link <u>here</u>
- Mid December: Launch of the EIU 'Cooling: Transporting us to Net Zero'
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# Cool Development Banks: Rising to the challenge of cooling a warming world

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## Introduction to E3G



- Independent European environmental think-tank working globally
- Offices in Brussels, Berlin, London and Washington DC.
- Focus on analysing & shaping national and international politics of climate change. Expertise on diplomacy, security, finance, clean economy & resilience.
- Mainly grant funded by philanthropy and governments.

## E3G's work on cooling



- Political Economy Mapping of cooling geographies
- Providing international cooling diplomacy support
- Support to Secretariat of the Cool Coalition at UN Environment through intelligence gathering and knowledge sharing
- MDBs Cooling work focus on understanding the challenges and opportunities to advance the cooling agenda.

# Methodology



### Desk based research

### Internal Testing

### Interviews

## Output

- Building on previous political economy analysis and work on PA
- Analyse OECD
   DAC and relevant
   IFIs cooling work
- Tested initial findings with: IFI team, cooling experts and political and governance team.
- Engage with key stakeholders within IFIs and CSO, private sector, and Cool Coalition.

- Blogs on health, food, and shareholder interest.
- Briefing paper
- Private Roundtable
- LCAW event

## DFIs studied in this report





## Cooling a cross-cutting issue



- Cooling already accounts for 17% of electricity demand
- Refrigerants used in conventional cooling technologies – F-gases – could account for nearly 20% of total GHGs by 2050
- Global cooling consumption is responsible for 15% of peak electricity demand, rises to 50% (residential) in extremely hot days
- Cooling touches all sector of the economy and affects human well-being.
- Access to cooling is not equitable 35% of the world's population living in countries where the average daily temperature is above 25°C, only 10% own an AC unit.





## Why Cooling matters to MDBs

MDBs have a majority shareholding that support greater action on cooling\*

**European Investment Bank** International Development Association Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank European Bank for Reconstruction and Development **Asian Development Bank** Inter-American Development Bank African Development Bank International Finance Corporation International Bank for 50% Shareholding Reconstruction and Development 0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100% Sustainable Cooling provides a rare opportunity to achieve a triple win!



\*Have ratified Kigali Amendment or have a National Cooling Action Plan

# Findings: Challenges



Appetite	<ul> <li>Cooling is perceived as niche and a subset of energy efficiency rather than as a cross-cutting issue</li> <li>Impetus for mainstreaming cooling within MDBs is reduced as there is limited strategic support from MDB leadership for improving cooling with the exception of the World Bank Group which has the Efficient and Clean Cooling program</li> </ul>
Data gaps	<ul> <li>MDBs at present do not measure or track cooling</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Environmental and social assessments may not pick up cooling as an issue</li> </ul>
Project size	<ul> <li>In many cases, separate consideration of cooling may mean the ticket size of projects is not sufficient for MDBs to invest.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Demand from member countries for MDB support of cooling projects is limited, as countries prioritise larger, more visible projects</li> </ul>
Standards	<ul> <li>The lack of rigorous local standards for cooling means that integrating such standards into MDB projects requires significant external assistance and coordination with donor countries and other funders</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Some MDBs have yet to develop their own energy efficiency standards</li> </ul>



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## Recommendations to overcome challenges

Institutional Level	<ul> <li>Reduce sectoral silos by increasing awareness within the institution</li> <li>Map and quantify existing activities to understand which sectors are most exposed to cooling and where there are potential areas for improvement.</li> <li>Tap into existing external resources and wider networks such as the Cool Coalition</li> <li>Consider setting up a temporary joint MDB working group</li> </ul>
Financial & Technical Assistance	<ul> <li>Include cooling in country diagnostic and partnership guidelines</li> <li>Provide training and support to financial intermediaries</li> <li>Project aggregation</li> <li>Undertake demonstration projects MDBs to attract other financial and industry players to engagement with sustainable cooling projects</li> </ul>
Country Level Engagement	<ul> <li>Engage with member countries across different levels and departments of government to raise awareness and highlight the importance of and opportunities provided by sustainable cooling</li> <li>Support countries to embed long term benefits into the short-term responses via the current spending and COVID-19 recovery packages.</li> <li>Highlight the interaction between cooling and wider efforts at a national level such as NDCs, but also National Development Plans.</li> </ul>

## What Mainstreaming looks like



**MDB** Activity



## E3G's work on International Financial Institutions



#### How are the development banks supporting long-term climate goals?



Published on Development and a Changing Climate

COMMENTARY - 19 November 2018

How financing sustainable cooling can buffer our food system SINDRA SHARMA-KHUSHAL | OCTOBER 29, 2020 This page in: English

BLOG - 14 October 2019

A cooling opportunity for Multilateral **Development Banks** 

By James Hawkins



Ahead of the World Bank's Annual Meetings and related events next week, Multilateral Development Banks must begin ntegrating 'cooling considerations' into investments to match growing shareholder awareness and rising demands for action on cooling energy efficiency.

The importance of cooling

#### BRIEFING PAPER JUNE 2019

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#### BLOG Cooling the health sector

#### PORT OCTOBER 2019

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#### RIEFING PAPER September 2020

COOL DEVELOPMENT BANKS: RISING TO THE CHALLENGE OF COOLING A WARMING WORLD

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## Thank you



# Detailed materials of E3G Cooling and MDBs work can be found at <u>www.e3g.org</u>

