Aligning finance with sustainability is a necessary condition for tackling the environmental challenges facing humanity. Finance impacts the natural environment directly and indirectly. The environment also directly and indirectly impacts finance and the performance of investments. There is significant and growing interest from policymakers and practitioners in the relationship between the environment, sustainability, and finance.

Sustainable finance is a broad, evolving, and exciting new multidisciplinary field with lots of opportunities for impact. What is the state of sustainable finance today, what are its drivers, and where will it head in the future? Further, what is the role of academic research in this area and how is this evolving?

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