



## Sustainable Finance

CEA's sustainable finance practice blends significant financial industry experience with an uncommon understanding of the operational "nuts and bolts" of sustainability. This combination can take many forms. At its most advanced, CEA's sustainable finance practice has designed and launched a private growth equity fund with a sustainability mandate.

Similarly, CEA has worked with both foundations and nonprofits to craft strategies that use venture capital and other investment tools as levers for improving environmental outcomes. This conceptual work is complemented by practical, on-the-ground experience in conservation finance. We have run several business planning efforts for conservation areas, including national parks and marine protected areas.

### Key Clients

Sea Change Investment Fund

Conservation and Community Investment Forum (CCIF)

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### Specific Service Offerings

#### **Socially & Environmentally Responsible Investment:**

On behalf of philanthropic institutions, private donors, and other private and public capital providers, CEA has the resources to develop new investment models that combine both mission- and profit-driven goals. We designed and currently staff the Sea Change Investment Fund, a \$20 million private growth equity fund.

#### **Market-Based Philanthropy:**

On behalf of foundations, CEA looks for investment opportunities and strategies that catalyze positive changes and complement grantmaking activities. We have examined progressive investment strategies in oceans, food and agriculture, and energy systems.

#### **Conservation Finance and Facilitating Investments:**

CEA works with a broad range of private, philanthropic, and public investors to finance conservation initiatives, using such tools as venture capital, program-related investments, and endowment funds. CEA is unique in its capacity to syndicate biodiversity conservation investments across a range of capital providers. Working in partnership with foundations, multilateral organizations, and market-rate investors, CEA can access a wide spectrum of capital, including grant funding, concessional finance and private investments.

### For More Information

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