



# Cross Sector Biodiversity Initiative

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Supporting extractive companies and their financiers in managing biodiversity



# Timeline Tool

The Cross-Sector Biodiversity Initiative (CSBI) is a partnership between IPIECA, the International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM) and the Equator Principles Association, for developing and sharing good practice related to biodiversity in the extractive industries. It is a unique collaborative platform for convening the collective knowledge and expertise of practitioners working across the three participating sectors: finance, oil and gas and mining. CSBI has developed products that guide users towards limiting, as far as possible, the negative impacts of development projects on biodiversity, and realizing positive impacts when possible.

## About the CSBI Timeline Tool

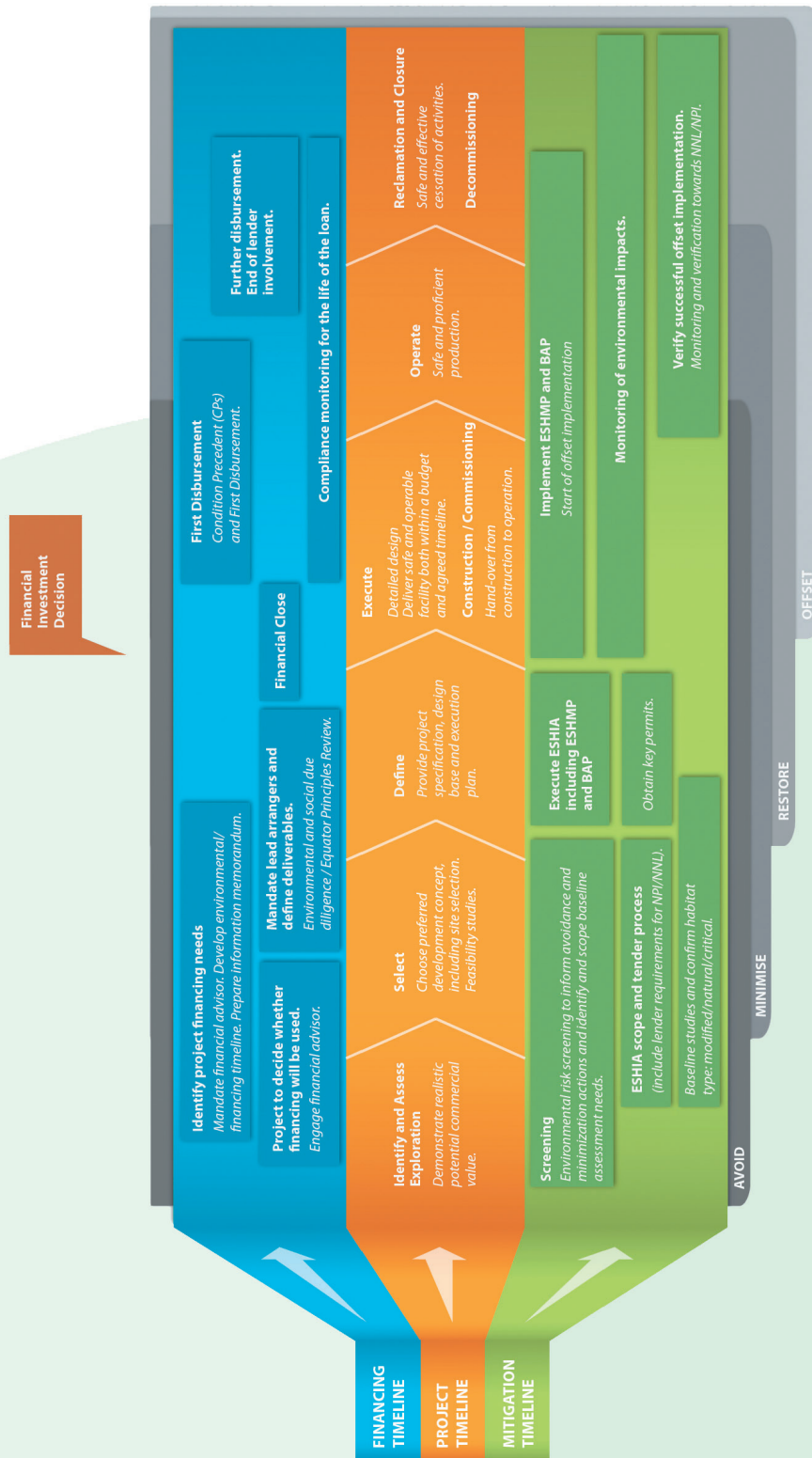
The *Timeline Tool* assists professionals planning extractive projects in coordinating project development calendars, biodiversity impact assessment and management schedules, and financial timelines and milestones. It provides a clear, practical roadmap to identify milestones and key interdependencies between project development schedules, financing timelines and the actions required to apply the Mitigation Hierarchy effectively. It is not prescriptive, rather it raises awareness of the operational challenges associated with identifying and mitigating biodiversity impacts. The *Timeline Tool* can be used for training and communications for the variety of people involved in planning and executing complex, extractive-industry projects, including project managers, environmental advisors, consultants, financial advisers, project engineers and many more.

The *Tool* is available in English, with summaries in French, Spanish, Italian and Japanese.

CSBI welcomes feedback on how the *Timeline Tool* has been used in practice and on any improvements that can be made, as well as suggestions to enhance its uptake and dissemination. To provide comments or feedback, please email us at: [feedback@csbi.org.uk](mailto:feedback@csbi.org.uk).

The tool may be freely downloaded from the CSBI website at: [www.csbi.org.uk/tools-and-guidance](http://www.csbi.org.uk/tools-and-guidance).

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