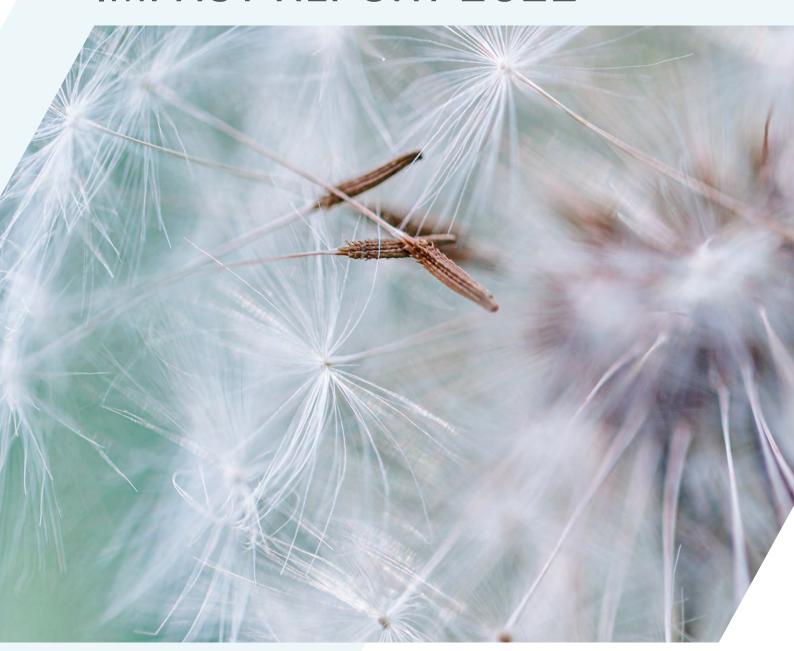
# TURNING INVESTMENTS INTO IMPACT

## IMPACT REPORT 2022





## **PREFACE**

At SHIFT Invest, we remain steadfast in our commitment to invest in solutions that address the most pressing environmental issues of our time. Our focus on climate change, biodiversity loss, and natural resource depletion has guided our investments, and we are proud to report that our portfolio companies have continued to deliver positive impact in these areas.

As we reflect on the past year, we cannot help but acknowledge the immense challenges that the world has faced due to the ongoing climate and wider environmental crises. However, we also celebrate the progress that we have made, and to look forward to a future where we can thrive in harmony with the planet.

In this year's impact report, we share stories of our investments in companies that are making a difference. From sustainable agriculture to renewable energy, from battery technology to biobased chemicals, our portfolio spans a wide range of sectors and solutions. Through our investments, we aim to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon and regenerative economy, and to contribute to the achievement of the goals set by the Paris Agreement and included in the new Global Biodiversity Framework.

We recognize that the path to a sustainable future is a long one, and that there is much work to be done. The challenges that we face are complex and interconnected, and they require collaborative solutions that involve all stakeholders, including governments, businesses, civil society, and individuals. As an impact investing fund, we are proud to be part of a growing movement that recognizes the power of finance to drive positive change.

Within this movement, transparency and accountability are crucial and we are committed to measuring and reporting the impact of our investments. Our impact framework is designed to capture the outcomes of our investments, and we work closely with our portfolio companies to track, report, and improve on their progress. Together with our investee companies, we strive to maximize impact. At this early, innovative stage, this can come with setbacks. We embrace these as learning opportunities, adapting strategies to drive positive change.

In conclusion, we hope that this report inspires and motivates you to join us in our mission to create a sustainable future for all. As impact investors, we believe that finance can be a powerful tool for good, and that by working together, we can build a more resilient and equitable world for generations to come.

We hope you enjoy reading about our work and that of the companies we support! On behalf of the team at SHIFT Invest,

Guus Verhees



## **HIGHLIGHTS 2022**



CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions avoided

65.61<sub>kt</sub> Equivalent to 170 million litres of E10 fuel Key contributors:









Water saved

 $303,112_{m^3}$  Equivalent to 1.3 million hours in the shower Key contributors:







Waste avoided

Chemicals reduced

Renewable energy produced



**Reduced** energy use

215.67

**Equivalent to 23 full garbage trucks** Key contributors:







12,800<sub>мwh</sub> 108,000<sub>мwh</sub>

Key contributors:







**Compared to conventional** Key contributors:

BYBORRE





## **Pesticides** reduced

## **New Investments**













## HIGHLIGHTS According to portfolio companies

Zero Friction grew significantly over 2021, servicing 22.000 people with district heating connections.



OneThird won a CES innovation award in the food & ag tech category.



**ChainCraft's large multinational customers** developed products with significant footprint improvements demonstrated by LCA comparisons.



**CEVAP** saw first impact results following the sale of an installation in 2021, with more to follow from 3 installations in the mining, biomass, and paper industry.



Meatless was acquired by a leading player in functional ingredients, and will significantly scale its business and impact in the coming years.



BYBORRE introduced a new ready-to-order textile collection, Textiles™, to facilitate the adoption of better products with more sustainable textiles.





## **WHO WE ARE**

At SHIFT Invest it is our mission to fight climate change, the loss of biodiversity, and the depletion of the natural resources of our planet.



## **Climate Change**

The stability of life on earth is at risk. We feel the urgency to contribute to the fight against climate change. The United Nations climate reports (IPCC) give us unequivocal scientific evidence that climate change is a threat to human well-being and planetary health.

Human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean, and land. The temperature increase in the Netherlands compared to the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> century is 2.3 °C, which is about twice the global average of 1.2 °C. Current trends show a global average increase of 1.5 °C will be reached around 2033². We only have a brief and rapidly closing window of opportunity to limit and adapt to these changes so immediate action is needed.



## **Natural Resource Depletion**

We believe that the way in which we use natural resources needs to change. Global consumption at its current rate is unsustainable. To feed and fuel our 21st-century lifestyles, we are overusing the Earth's biocapacity (rate of regeneration) by at least 75%<sup>3</sup>. While our economies have managed to double the amount of capital we have produced since the 1990s, we used almost half of the earth's natural capital to do so. It is clear that we need to move towards a more circular economy.



## **Biodiversity Loss**

We are concerned with the current state of biodiversity health. The global Living Planet Index continues to decline and was down 69% from the 1970 reference year in 2018<sup>3</sup>. This constitutes the greatest loss of life since the dinosaurs<sup>4</sup>. Biodiversity is also a life support system for society: ecosystems provide numerous services with significant economic value<sup>5</sup>.

Global action on biodiversity has been unsuccessful until now, but fortunately COP15 marked the adoption of a new Global Biodiversity Framework<sup>4</sup> to guide global action on nature through to 2030. The GBF's vision is to live in harmony with nature by 2050. Similarly, we believe it is important to strive for a more balanced existence with all the species we share the planet with.







































## WHAT WE DO

SHIFT Invest is a venture capital fund that exclusively invests in innovative enterprises with a significant positive environmental impact potential. We believe innovation and entrepreneurship are necessary to help restore the balance between nature and society<sup>6</sup>.

As an early stage impact investor, we take financial and impact risks that conventional investors are not able or prepared to take. In doing so, we contribute to the sustainability transition. We invest in environmental startand scale-ups, providing them with access to growth capital, our network, and 13 years of impact investment experience.

We enable innovations to realize their transformative and impact potential. Our aim is for our investments to become mainstream so they can contribute to changing unsustainable value chains and lead the way towards a new economy.

We invest multi-stage, ranging from proof-of-concept to growth. We typically invest € 250K up to € 5M per company as lead investor and are open to co-investing as well.

## The People That Make It Happen

Our team is diverse and experienced, with backgrounds ranging from entrepreneurs, to strategy consulting, finance and business. We are united by our drive for impact.

## **Our Impact Committee**



**Aaron Vermeulen**Director Green Finance,
WWF



**Alain Cracau** Co-founder GoodBerries



**Geanne van Arkel**Former Head Sustainable
Development, Interface



**Koen Boone** Sustainable Agro & Impact, WUR



Marc Jansen Head BOM Investments



**Remona van der Zon** Director Sustainable Strategy, KLM



**Björn Aarts**Director Sustainability at
Rabo Investments



## **HOW WE MAKE IMPACT**

## **Investment process**

### Mission

SHIFT Invest's fund-level mission is to 'fight climate change, the loss of biodiversity, and the depletion of the natural resources of our planet'. Sustainable investment themes direct investment sourcing.

### **Vision**

**Future Outlook** 

are aligned with our impact

mission, part of our team's

on the funds environmental impact performance.

success fee is dependent

We develop impact strategies for our impact domains and investment themes based on research by trusted institutions like the IPCC, IPBES, IEA and GIIN.

## **Responsible Investment**

We are dedicated to the continuous improvement of our impact measurement and management strategy. We comply as an Article 9 Fund under the SFDR.

### **Policy**

Our impact mission and way of working are enshrined in our Impact Policy. This includes a Code of Conduct that our portfolio-companies are required to abide by throughout the holding period.







## **Impact** strategy (2) Screening

To ensure our investment and incentives schemes

(5)



Impact Measurement and Management

(1)



### Sourcing

We perform regular industry scans and deep dives on topics we're excited about and we believe can have significant impact potential. In 2022, we engaged with almost 900 start- and scale-ups.

### **Impact Case**

For companies that fit our investment criteria, we set up an impact case to justify their sustainable impact potential.

## **Impact Management**

We actively support our portfolio companies in ensuring impact remains a top priority. We help formally integrate impact in policy and decision making and select follow-on investors that share the same commitment. In some cases, we support or drive these projects, where we can leverage our knowledge and experience in this field. We also support founders and management teams to work towards a more diverse gender mix in founder and management teams.

## **Monitoring and Reporting**

We perform an annual in-depth environmental impact and ESG monitoring process together with our portfolio companies and share impact results in our Impact Report. Impact results are also discussed with our Investment Advisory and Impact Committees to check-in on progress and flag potential areas for improvement and impact maximalization.

## **Theory of Change**

To build a solid impact case and understanding we assess a company's theory of change, identify measurable impact KPI's and targets, determine additionality, and take into account any risks or tradeoffs.

## **Impact Committee**

Before committing to an investment, we discuss the impact case with our Impact Committee. This independent group of experts help ensure our investments make a material contribution to the impact objectives of our fund.



## **INVESTMENT THEMES**

Imbalanced ecosystems drive SHIFT Invest's focus on themes that fight climate change, biodiversity loss & natural resource depletion.



































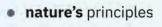














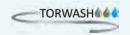






















This overview excludes Changing Health, which is part of our portfolio, but focuses on social (health) impact rather than environmental. Vertoro is listed in 2 themes.



## **ENERGY TRANSITION**

Energy is inseparable from our livelihoods, and by 2050 we will need energy to supply an economy twice as large and a population of 10 billion people7. Global demand for fossil fuels is starting to plateau, increased renewable energy investment is needed to get on track for net zero emissions in 20508.

Although the necessary transition is clear, energy-related sectors are not nearly moving fast enough: the latest report on the state of climate action highlighted that capital continues to misallocated toward high-emissions activities9. At SHIFT Invest, we support innovative companies that push the needle on energy efficiency and the generation of energy from renewable sources.



## **Challenges Addressed**



## **Climate Change**

Becoming more energy efficient and moving to renewable energy sources has the potential to halve global greenhouse gas emissions<sup>10</sup>. This must also be accompanied by resilient energy infrastructure able to withstand challenges like intermittency.



## **Narural Resource Depletion**

Oil, coal, and gas are the main resources for the world's energy supply, but all are finite resources<sup>11</sup>. While it is still uncertain exactly how large the leftover reserves of these resources are, it will become increasingly less economically and environmentally viable to obtain them<sup>12</sup>. Also for this reason, we support companies that accelerate moving from fossil fuel to renewable energy sources.



### **Biodiversity Loss**

The energy and extractives industries are responsible for almost 20% of impacts on near-threatened species<sup>13</sup>. Given energy infrastructure has a long lifespan, choices around new energy design and deployment will significantly impact the health of natural ecosystems for decades, especially when it comes to biological feedstocks. We believe it is to work towards a nature-positive energy transition.



## **Solutions Provided**

**Enabling technologies** 



Renewable energy generation



Canopus











Energy efficiency technologies



## **Key Impacts Generated by Portfolio Companies**



CO<sub>3</sub>e emissions avoided



energy use reduced



12,866<sub>MWh</sub>

additional renewable energy produced



## **Observed Risks**

Securing sustainable feedstocks and materials: although a better alternative to fossil fuels, feedstocks like biomass still have an environmental impact (depending on origin). Other

necessary materials for the energy transition like rare earth elements are also increasingly scarce, putting pressure on natural resources.

**Participation risk**: energy efficiency technologies can be used by polluting industries to maintain their (cost) advantage over green industries.

**Spatial footprint**: renewable energies like wind and solar have a relatively large spatial footprint, and thereby risk disrupting local wildlife and habitats.

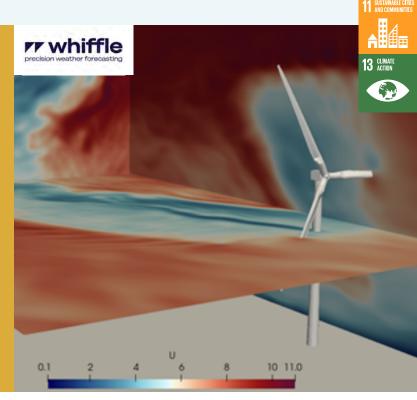
7. IEA, 2021 | 8. IEA, 2022 | 9. Climate Action Tracker, 2022 | 10. Dessler, 2022. Note: other powerful anthropogenic GHGs include methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N2O), and halocarbons. | 11. Shafiee & Topal, 2009 | 12. Our World in Data, 2020 | 13. WEF, 2020



## WHIFFLE

Whiffle offers hyper-local precision weather forecasting that optimizes weather-influenced industries. It does this by utilising rigorous physics, computing and Al.

With increasing wind and solar energy capacity, the energy system is becoming more and more dependent on the weather, making energy supply difficult to predict. Balancing the grid therefore becomes increasingly demanding, poses a high burden and is considered a key challenge for the future energy system. Accurate and detailed forecasts will become vital for a well-functioning system. Whiffle has developed an advanced weather forecasting model that allows for more detailed and accurate forecasting.



## From Challenge to Solution



## **CHALLENGE**

As our energy system becomes more dependent on weather, the unpredictability of the energy output and the associated imbalance costs (currently ~10% of total costs) will increase.

## SOLUTION

Whiffle can model the weather on a 5x5m scale, decreasing unpredictability and energy imbalance costs associated with renewable energy accordingly. Whiffle also enables optimized wind park and wind turbine design.



## **Impact**

### **Precision weather forecasting**

Whiffle enables both better weather forecasting and hind-casting; testing mathematical models used for the design of wind turbines and windparks. Access to reliable weather information and services will become increasingly important to strengthen the feasibility and resilience of our energy infrastructure and increase energy efficiency.

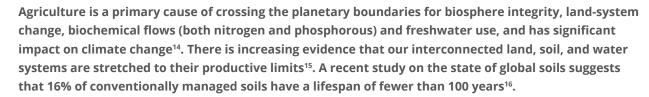






## **SMART FOOD & AGRICULTURE**





Changing the way we use our land, water, and soil is going to be fundamental to ensure we maintain access to nutritious food in a way that does not undermine global biodiversity and other planetary systems. Because the Netherlands is the second-largest exporter of agricultural goods in the world<sup>17</sup>, we at SHIFT Invest actively strive to contribute to the innovation of this sector.

## **Challenges Addressed**



## **Climate Change**

The entire food system accounts for around 1/3 of global emissions<sup>18</sup>. Sources are varied: nitrous oxides from fertilizer application, methane from rice and livestock production, carbon dioxide from agricultural machinery, and the conversion of carbon sinks like forests into carbon-emitting pastures.



### **Natural Resource Depletion**

Agriculture utilises many natural resources, such as 70% of our freshwater use<sup>19</sup>. These resources are often rendered ineffective, considering that a third of produced calories are wasted. It is one of the principal domains where regenerative practices and value chain improvements are needed to ensure we do not exceed the biocapacity of our planet.



### **Biodiversity Loss**

The agricultural sector accounts for 80% of deforestation and uses chemicals, fertilizers, and pesticides that harm the long-term health of our soils and pollinators. Drivers linked to food production cause 50% of freshwater biodiversity loss and 70% of terrestrial biodiversity loss<sup>20</sup>.

## **Solutions Provided**

Plant-based innovation







Precision agriculture







Value chain optimisation





## **Key Impacts Generated by Portfolio Companies**



CO<sub>3</sub>e emissions avoided





## **Observed Risks**

Climate change: the effects of global warming will decrease the supply chain resilience of the food system, making it more difficult to source, store, and transport inputs efficiently.

**Lagged results**: it can be time-consuming to transform traditional agriculture systems as they depend partly on natural cycles and timelines, meaning that benefits may not be immediately apparent.

14. Campbell et al., 2017 | 15. FAO, 2021 | 16. Evans et al., 2020 | 17. FAO, 2021 | 18. Xu et al., 2021 | 19. WEF, 2020 | 20. WWF, 2021



## **ONETHIRD**



OneThird's unique spectroscopy scanner and big data models provide accurate shelf-life prediction.

1.3bn tonnes of food is wasted globally each year of which ~40% fresh produce, causing 6% of the total CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions and the wastage of 250 km³ of water. By optimizing the fresh produce value chain, part of this food waste can be avoided. With more accurate shelf life data, OneThird enables all players in the fresh produce value chain, from grower to retailer, to improve decision making to prevent food waste.



## From Challenge to Solution



## **CHALLENGE**

Current shelf-life tests are slow and information is only available with hindsight and with limited to no actionability. This leads to unoptimized decision making, rigid supply chains and unnecessary waste.



Developing scanners and data models with which the shelf life of fresh produce can accurately (99%) be predicted within 1 second, leading to better choices in the supply chain and preventing food loss and waste.



## **Impact**

## **Enabling dynamic food supply chains**

OneThird develops scanners to provide accurate shelf-life prediction. These predictions are based on a digital twin database with models for types of produce.







## **GREEN INDUSTRIES**



As the name suggests, our heavy industries (extractives, chemicals, manufacturing, construction and waste) have a substantial footprint on the planet. Air pollution, significant energy and water use, fossil inputs and the production of large amounts of waste are commonly associated effects of industrial processes. Additionally, industries produce novel minerals, rocks, and chemicals like elemental aluminium, concrete and plastics previously not known to the Earth system<sup>21</sup>. Many of these are also highly energy-intensive to produce.

At SHIFT invest, we support innovative companies that facilitate the transition towards lower burden industries by becoming more reliant on renewable energy, more energy and resource-efficient, less polluting and more biobased.



## **Challenges Addressed**



### **Climate Change**

Industry-related greenhouse gas emissions are higher than those from other end-use sectors and continue to grow<sup>22</sup>. Industrial sectors are especially energy-intense, often with limited mitigation potential.



### **Natural Resource Depletion**

While resource efficiency has improved, industrial sectors are still the most resource-intensive domain in the economy and global demand for materials is expected to double between 2019-2060<sup>22</sup>. For example, the Dutch manufacturing industry uses 3-4x more water than households<sup>23</sup>.



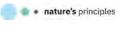
### **Biodiversity Loss**

Industrial pollution directly and indirectly affects species by making their environment unsuitable for survival or affecting factors such as food availability or reproductive behaviour<sup>24</sup>.



## **Solutions Provided**

Biobased alternatives









Keep products, materials and resources in use







Energy and material efficiency





## **Key Impacts Generated by Portfolio Companies**



CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions avoided



chemicals reduced



## **Observed Risks**

## Competition with other uses:

biobased feedstocks can compete with other high-value applications for biomass, such as food.

**Execution**: reforming and replacing manufacturing systems can be capital intensive as existing industrial capital has a long lifetime.

Rebound effect: Resource efficiency is cheaper, which can mean savings could be allocated to additional consumption (with corresponding environmental footprint).





## **CHAINCRAFT**

ChainCraft manufactures medium-chain fatty acids (MCFA's) from organic waste residues for the speciality chemical industry.

The chemical industry is responsible for 8.5% of total industrial emissions. Traditionally, MCFA's are derived from palm kernel oil and crude oil. This process contributes to GHG emissions and deforestation. By fermenting biomass waste, ChainCraft is able to produce sustainable MCFA's for the speciality chemical industry.



## From Challenge to Solution



## **CHALLENGE**

Traditionally, MCFA's are derived from palm and fossil oil. This process contributes to GHG emissions and deforestation. On the other hand, biomass waste isn't optimally used while having a lot of potential.

## **SOLUTION**

By fermenting biomass waste into MCFA's biowaste utilization is improved and CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions from traditional MCFA production are avoided, working towards a circular economy.



## **Impact**

### Circular chemicals from food waste

ChainCraft's current products mainly replace those from palm-kernel oil and have a CO<sub>2</sub>e footprint that is 86% lower than these palm-kern oil derivates. The biomass that ChainCraft utilises would otherwise be used to produce biogas. By first extracting MCFAs, ChainCraft improves the value of utilisation of this waste stream.



 $780_{t}$  CO e emissions avoided



140<sub>t</sub> improved utilization of biowaste





## SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY



Mobility connects the world, but currently not in a sustainable way. While the energy intensity of transport modes has decreased overall, gains are offset by increased travel and trade25. Emissions from transport have grown faster than most sectors and could grow by 60% by 2050 if they are not mitigated. In addition to climate change, transport has a broader environmental impact in natural resource depletion, biodiversity loss, and water use.

At SHIFT invest, we support innovative companies that facilitate the transition towards sustainable mobility and logistics; either as direct contributors that decrease the energy and carbon intensity of transport modes, or as enablers of sustainable transport infrastructure and behaviour (e.g. modal shift changes).



## **Challenges Addressed**



### **Climate Change**

CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions are the most significant driver of climate change in transport. The sector accounts for 15% of global anthropogenic GHG emissions, not even taking into account manufacturing<sup>25</sup>.



### **Natural Resource Depletion**

Transport infrastructure has a high material footprint, and data on resource stocks and flows is lacking<sup>26</sup>. Additionally, the required electrification could be hindered by the availability of critical non-renewable materials<sup>27</sup>.



### **Biodiversity Loss**

Transport infrastructure causes habitat destruction and fragmentation<sup>28</sup>. Vehicle emissions and noise pollution also disrupt ecosystems and cause species declines. Vehicles can themselves also serve as conduits for invasive species, especially in marine environments.



## **Solutions Provided**

Facilitating a modal shift



Reducing fuel carbon intensity





## **Key Impacts Generated by Portfolio Companies**



CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions avoided



Installations of autonomous train operation systems to enable the future modal shift



## **Observed Risks**

Interdependencies: the success of the modal shift depends on factors like reliability, traffic management systems, and developments in the energy and construction sectors.

**Legacy of current system**: impacts from existing transport infrastructure and assets can be significant due to their long lifetimes<sup>29</sup> (up to 82.5 Gt CO<sub>2</sub>e of committed emissions until 2070, if they are not decommissioned prematurely<sup>30</sup>).

25. IPCC, 2022 | 26. CGR, 2023 | 27. EC, 2020 | 28. IPBES, 2020 | 29. Tong et al., 2019 | 30. IEA, 2020



## OTIV

OTIV is active in Autonomous Train Operations (ATO) and develops a software hardware solution for driving assistance and autonomous driving of rail vehicles.

The transport sector is accountable for 21% of global GHG emissions. Both freight and people heavily rely on polluting transport modes such as fossil fueled trucks and passenger cars, while rail transport emits 9x less CO<sub>2</sub> per tonne-km and 70x less per passenger-km than road transport. Otiv's software revolutionizes assisted and autonomous driving solutions for rail vehicles, making these a more attractive alternative and enabling the transition to this more sustainable, efficient and safe way of transportation.



## From Challenge to Solution



## CHALLENGE

The heavy use of polluting transport modes, such as fossil fueled trucks and cars, drives GHG emissions. These forms of transport are also not safe nor capacity efficient.

## SOLUTION

Otiv offers an Al driven solution that teaches rail vehicles to drive autonomously. By making trains more efficient and safe, Otiv actively contributes to a modal shift in transport and a greener future economy.



## **Impact**

Otiv was awarded a multi-year contract for operational testing of automated and remotely controlled heavy freight trains on the railway connection between the port of Rotterdam and the Ruhr area. This is one of the first projects globally to test automated and remotely controlled trains.



<sup>31.</sup> This refers to the total possible contribution of ATO in general.

## THEMATIC TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FUND



At SHIFT Invest - alongside Seed to Series B financing - we also provide pre-seed capital to promising start-ups through our dedicated Proof of Concept Fund: The Thematic Technology Transfer Fund. We run this fund together with the technical universities of the Netherlands and the Dutch research organization TNO. The goal of this RVO-backed fund is to accelerate the transfer of new technologies arising from knowledge institutes to the market. In this way, we enable entrepreneurs to take disruptive ideas coming from Dutch knowledge institutes to the market and support them in building ventures with broad adoption and impact.

## **TTT Fund Portfolio Overview**



Sets a new standard for sustainability and nutrition with carbon negative microalgae-based food ingredients.



Develops an innovative biobased lactic acid production process based on mixed culture fermentation, using waste biomass.



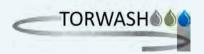
Revolutionises indoor agriculture with robotics and Al to help the transition to autonomous indoor farming.



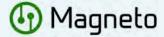
Specialises in the recycling of phosphates from various waste streams, with a low carbon footprint.



Develops sustainable fat ingredients that improve the texture, taste, and footprint of dairy alternatives.



Converts organic waste like sewage sludge into durable biofuel pellets with a unique dewatering and grinding technology.



Develops a more energy efficient and environmentally friendly alternative for cooling that does not require polluting refrigerants.



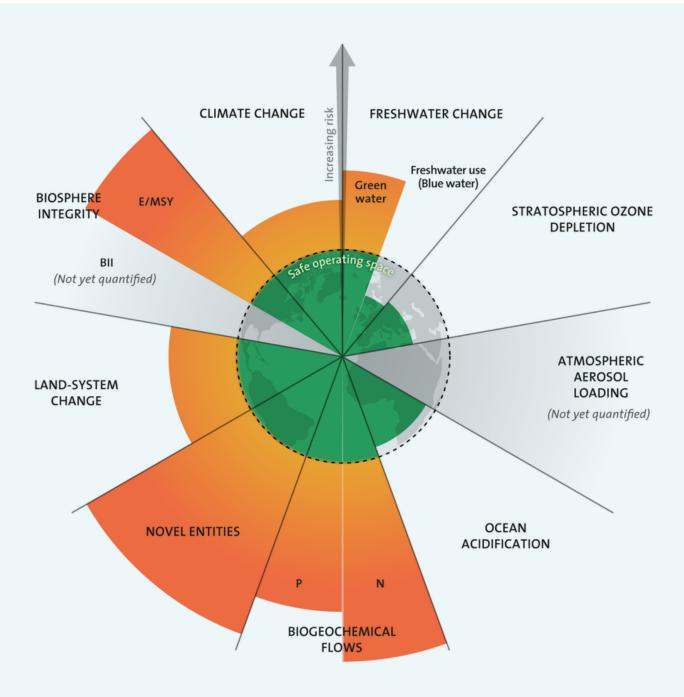
Employs tissue engineering techniques to build sheep skin in-vitro, in order to create lab-grown leather.



## LOOKING FORWARD: PLANETARY BOUNDARIES

As sustainability is in no way limited to climate change, we highly value Johan Rockström's Planetary Boundaries Framework. This concept is based on the theory that humanity needs to operate within nine essential ecological boundaries. Crossing these boundaries will trigger abrupt environmental changes with potentially catastrophic consequences.

Recent studies suggest we have already crossed the threshold in multiple key areas. It is imperative that we move towards an economy that stays within these boundaries for a balanced existence with nature for future generations.



Credit: Designed by Azote for Stockholm Resilience Centre, based on analysis in Persson et al., 2022 and Steffen et al., 2015.



The Planetary Boundaries are not yet widely adopted within the financial sector. We believe it is a powerful tool to use in the field of environmental sustainability and strive to integrate it further into our investment process by translating these boundaries into factors we can incorporate in our investment strategy. The table below provides an indication of how our current portfolio contributes to the Planetary Boundaries.

## **Indicative mapping of portfolio to Planetary Boundaries**

	<ul><li>Large contribution</li><li>Small contribution</li></ul>	Biosphere integrity	Climate change	Novel Entities	Stratospheric Ozone Depletion	Stratospheric Aerosol Loading	Ocean Acidification	Biochemical flows	Freshwater use	Landsystem change
<b>(</b> 4)	ENERGY TRANSITION									
	Emagy					0	0			
	Vertoro						0			
	HeatMatrix					0	0			
	Jungle						0			
	Kriya			0	0		0			
	Whiffle	0				0	0			
	Canopus					0	0			
	Magneto	0					0			
	Zero Friction					0	0			
	SMART FOOD & AGRICULTURE									
	30MHz									0
	Ful Foods						0			0
	OneThird	0	0				0		0	0
	Pieter Pot		0							
	Saia Agrobotics		0						0	0
	GreenA	0							0	0
	Time Travelling Milkman	0					0			0
Z	GREEN INDUSTRIES									
	Basilisk					0	0			
	BYBORRE	0		0			0			0
	CEVAP		0							
	ChainCraft	0					0			0
	Foamplant		0	0						
	Nature's principles							0	0	0
	Susphos								0	
	OMRT	0					0			0
	Pelagen	0					0	0		
	Torwash						0			
	SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY									
	OTIV					0	0			

## **LOOKING FORWARD: SHIFT IN 2023**

## **Sustainability at SHIFT Invest**

While we believe we have a net-positive footprint through the companies we finance, we also strive towards a minimal negative footprint in our activities at SHIFT Invest. We continue to work towards a more data-driven impact mitigation strategy. We also strive to fund equal female and male founders and leadership teams with a broad diversity. In the sectors we are active in, this is still a challenge and remains an important point on the agenda.

## **SFDR and EU Taxonomy**

Over the past year, SHIFT Invest has worked towards implementing best practices and policies as an Article 9 fund under the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). This includes assessing the Taxonomy eligibility and alignment of our portfolio companies. The assessment has shown a high degree of eligibility, but no alignment. This is because compliance with the technical screening criteria, and proof thereof, is challenging to obtain at an early stage in a venture. Especially regarding proof and data availability, a similar challenge is faced with regards to the Principal Adverse Impact indicators of the SFDR. We strive to continue to work towards an approach that works for the context that we and our portfolio companies are in, and are looking to identify opportunities that enable us to work towards full and accurate reporting and for companies to work towards alignment.







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