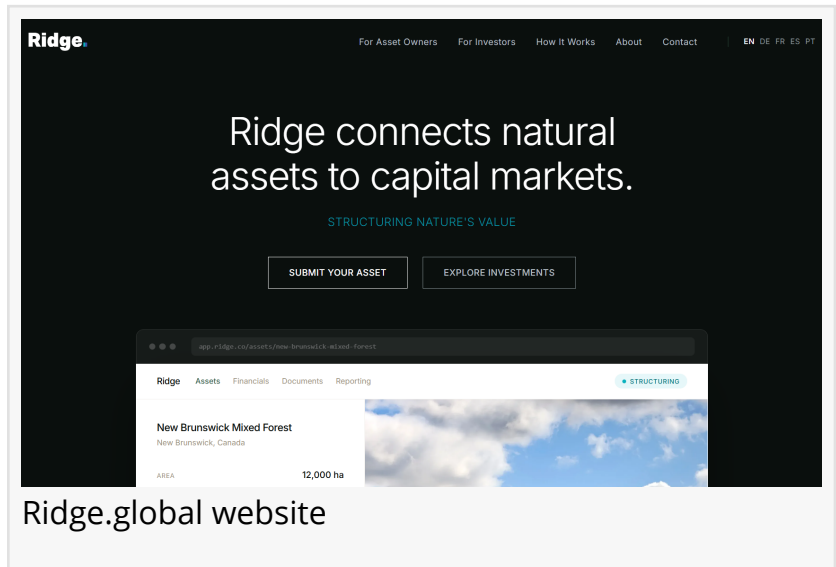


Ridge Launches Financial Infrastructure to Make Natural Assets Investable at Scale

90% of institutional investors want exposure to natural assets. Until now, they lacked an easy and compliant way in.

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, June 18, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Ridge](#) has launched the financial infrastructure for natural assets, transforming forests, farmland and other natural assets into regulated, ISIN-listed, investment-grade securities. For the first time, investors can access natural assets in the same easy way they invest into bonds or equities.



Ridge.global website

Natural assets represent one of the largest structurally underserved asset classes in global capital markets and remain difficult for institutional capital to access at scale. The World Economic Forum estimates that more than half of global GDP is moderately or highly dependent on nature, while the United Nations Environment Programme calculates that investment must increase 2.5 times to US\$571 billion annually by 2030 to meet established global targets.

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For the first time, forests and natural assets can be accessed like bonds: regulated, transparent and impact-verified. Ridge is building the infrastructure to make nature investable at scale.”

Sascha Breuss

Ridge estimates the global natural asset market at \$9 to 10 trillion, including around \$225 billion in sustainably managed assets currently held outside capital markets.

The structural barrier to connect natural assets to capital markets is not demand. More than 90% of all institutional investors indicate plans to invest in or increase allocations to natural assets by 2030. Yet existing routes to the asset class remain fragmented, illiquid, operationally complex and do not clear the compliance, custody or due diligence bar institutional capital requires.

Ridge provides the missing regulatory framework and infrastructure for issuing institutional-grade natural asset securities. The platform applies a standardised origination, validation, structuring, distribution and monitoring stack to natural assets, converting them into regulated financial products with ISIN identifiers, embedded financial and environmental due diligence, and reporting aligned to SFDR and EU Taxonomy requirements. Each issuance is completed in weeks rather than months, at a fraction of the cost of incumbent alternative structures.

Ridge has already demonstrated proof of concept, issuing four regulated financial products under European financial regulation, with ISIN identifiers issued through established European banking infrastructure. The inaugural product was a bond backed by a Canadian forest. Partnerships are in place with three German banks and two alternative asset platforms for product distribution. The company has an active pipeline of over \$100 million in global natural asset projects with an attractive risk and returns profile (IRR between 5-12%) under structuring, with documented allocation intent from professional and institutional investors.

Alongside the launch, Ridge announced the close of an oversubscribed \$2 million pre-seed funding round led by Disrupt.com, with E4E participating as a venture capital partner alongside two strategic angel investors. The capital will accelerate platform development, expand institutional distribution capabilities, and support the scaling of Ridge's regulated infrastructure for natural asset securities.

Ridge is backed by Disrupt.com, a MENA-based operator-led venture builder focused on creating AI-native companies designed that address structural gaps in global markets. Disrupt's business model combines structured operational engagement supported with venture funding to enable Ridge to develop as a fully integrated platform.

Ridge founder Sascha Breuss said: "For the first time, investors can access forests and other



Ridge Co-Founders Sascha Breuss & Martin Vogdt

Ridge. AVAILABLE INVESTMENTS
8 listed projects - ready for subscription
Sorted by Finance Score ↓

Project Name	Asset Type	ISIN	Return	Duration	Min	Raise	Finance Score	Impact Score	Frequency	Currency
Rheinland Renewable Ag	Lease Back	DE000889A0007	8.8%	8 yrs	€50K	€8.2M	8.5	7.9	Quarterly	EUR
Rio Verde Sustainable Ag	Green Bond	LU25000V5002	9.5%	7 yrs	€250K	€12.5M	8.1	7.4	Bi-yearly	USD
Alentejo Woodlands	Lease Back	PTAL00A100007	6.0%	10 yrs	€100K	€6.0M	7.8	8.2	Quarterly	EUR

Investor View of different Natural Asset Projects

natural assets in the same way they buy a bond or any other financial product. Natural assets are among the most important foundations of the global economy, yet they have remained largely disconnected from capital markets. Ridge is building the missing infrastructure to change that – making a sustainably managed forest in Canada or a regenerative rubber plantation in Guatemala as easy to access as any other security: regulated, transparent, and impact-verified products that enable institutional investment in natural assets at scale."

"At Disrupt.com, we build and back the infrastructure that powers the future of finance. Ridge has built the bridge between natural assets and global capital markets, turning a historically inaccessible market into an investable asset class. With four regulated products already live, Ridge is becoming foundational infrastructure for the next generation of financial markets, where returns and real assets converge." — Aaqib Gadit, Founding Partner, Disrupt.com.

"At E4E, we back exceptional entrepreneurs solving meaningful global challenges with scalable business models. Ridge combines a highly compelling market opportunity with a clear vision and execution capability. We strongly believe that nature-based investing will become one of the defining investment themes of the coming decades", said Frederik Gerner, Co-Founder and Partner at E4E.

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Notes to Editors

Ridge converts forests, regenerative agriculture and conservation-linked assets into regulated, ISIN-issued, investment-grade securities.

Through AI-driven due diligence and digital structuring workflows, Ridge increases asset transparency & reduces time to issuance from months to weeks at materially lowers cost.

Four regulated products are already live, including a bond backed by a Canadian forest.

About Ridge

Ridge is building the financial infrastructure for natural assets. The company transforms forests, regenerative agriculture and other nature-based assets into standardised, regulated and impact-verified financial products. Through its platform, Ridge connects asset owners, investors and data, enabling transparent valuation, reporting and scalable institutional investment in natural assets.

Ridge aims to make nature a recognised and trusted asset class by combining capital markets structuring, financial due diligence, impact verification and digital investment infrastructure.

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