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RI Europe 2022

*How regulators and markets are responding
to the evolving EU sustainable finance drive*

14-15 June

Day one: 14 June

08:00

Registration

08:55

Welcome remarks from Conference Chair and Lead Sponsor

Lucy Fitzgeorge-Parker, Editor, **Responsible Investor**

Mona Naqvi, Global Head of ESG Capital Markets Strategy, **S&P Global**

09:10

Plenary 1: What do global disclosure trends mean for the EU's dream of double materiality?

- Are the EFRAG's standards, based on double materiality, and that of the ISSB, based on enterprise value, setting up a power struggle or do they complement each other?
- Does a focus on enterprise value only allow stakeholders to fully understand a company's sustainability performance?
- The UK's SDR: building upon the ISSB and finding a 'middle way'

Speakers: Lois Guthrie, Senior Technical Advisor, **IFRS Foundation**

Catherine Howarth, Chief Executive, **ShareAction**

Mark Manning, Technical Specialist, Sustainable Finance and Stewardship, **FCA**

Manjit Jus, Managing Director, Global Head of ESG Research & Data, **S&P Global Sustainable1**

Adrie Heinsbroek, Chief Sustainability Officer, **NNIP**

Moderator: Lucy Fitzgeorge-Parker, Editor, Responsible Investor

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Networking break

10:35

Plenary 2: Net zero: investor best practices for a credible, science-based strategy

- Anatomy of a net zero target: focusing on sector pathways, capital expenditure, scope 3, and absolute emissions
- Passive investment: can investors achieve net zero without changing their benchmarks?
- Tackling net zero within portfolios as well as the real economy

Speakers: Oliver Grayer, Corporate Programme Director, **IIGCC**

Jaspreet Duhra, Managing Director, Global Head of ESG Indices, **S&P Dow Jones**

Indices

Neil Brown, Head of Equities, **GIB Asset Management**

David Russel, Head of Responsible Investment, **Universities Superannuation Scheme**

John Scott, Head of Sustainability Risk at the Zurich Insurance Group and Research Chair, **Investing for Resilience**

Moderator: Rory Sullivan, Co-Founder and Director, **Chronos Sustainability**

11:35

Keynote Interview: “Delivering record-breaking performance through private equity while integrating sustainability” by **Katarina Staaf, CEO, AP6**, in conversation with **Nicholas Lockley Director, EMEA, PEI**

12:00 Networking break



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12:20

Plenary 3: Addressing diversity and inclusion in a lasting way

- What actions have investors taken to tackle DEI concerns in their portfolios and within their organisations? What are the measures of success?
- What can be done to ensure companies' responses are more than a PR stunt and enact fundamental change?
- The impact of COVID-19 on diversity and inclusion

Speakers:

Michael Marshall, Head of Sustainable Ownership, **Railpen**

Helen Price, Head of Stewardship, **Brunel Pension Partnership**

Jocelyn Brown, Head of Governance, EMEA & APAC, **T Rowe Price**

Andrea Blackman, Head of ESG, **Moody's ESG Solutions**

Moderator:

Elena Espinoza, Senior Specialist, Social Issues, **PRI**

13:20

Networking lunch

<p>14:20 Stream A-1: Addressing social issues in taxonomies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are the social safeguards in the EU taxonomy fit for purpose? How are investors using them? • How far have we come on developing a dedicated social taxonomy? 	<p>14:20 Stream B-1: Juggling short-term returns with long-term sustainability performance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can investors and companies strike the right balance between short-term returns and long-term strategy? • Is it time to adapt fiduciary duty for the 21st century? 	<p>14:20 Stream C-1: Addressing climate change and human rights issues in sovereign bond portfolios</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are investors doing to quantify the climate footprint of their government lending? • What data and metrics are available?
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will these standards help develop more focused and impactful social themed funds? <p>Speakers: Nikolaj Halkjaer Pedersen, Senior Lead, Human Rights, PRI</p> <p>Anne-Catherine Husson-Traore, CEO, Novethic</p> <p>Aleksandra Palinska, Senior Research and Advocacy Officer, Finance Watch, Member of the EFRAG's Sustainability Reporting Board</p> <p>Niall O'Shea, Managing Director, Discern Sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rethinking short-term goal orientated executive pay <p>Speakers: Olivier Elamine, CEO, Alstria</p> <p>Rob Harley, Portfolio Manager, Sustainable Funds Group, Stewart Investors</p> <p>Jean Xavier Hecker, Co-Head of ESG Research – EMEA, J.P. Morgan</p> <p>Moderator: Paul Verney, Senior Reporter, Responsible Investor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing investor practices in engaging with sovereigns on human rights <p>Speakers: Johannes Honneth, Research Analyst, Grantham Research Institute, Transition Pathway Initiative</p> <p>Lydia Harvey, Executive Director, ESG Specialist, J.P. Morgan</p> <p>David Wille, Principal Analyst, Financial Sector Risk, Verisk Maplecroft</p> <p>Moderator: Carmen Nuzzo, Head of Fixed Income, PRI</p>
<p>15:05 Networking break</p>	<p>15:05 Networking break</p>	<p>15:05 Networking break</p>
<p>15:20 Stream A-2: Is SFDR capable of preventing greenwashing?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can the EU's high-profile 'anti-greenwashing' 	<p>15:20 Stream B-2: The many forms of litigation that are taking root in sustainable finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021 saw corporates, banks, investors, and governments at the centre of litigation cases regarding 	<p>15:20 Stream C-2: Sustainability linked bonds and green bonds: does the greenium still exist?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do green and sustainability-linked bonds



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regulation really live up to expectation?

- Is disclosure enough to stop greenwashing, or does the creation of unofficial 'labels' enable greenwashing?
- Will the upcoming CSRD and RTS alleviate these issues?

Speakers:

Victor van Hoorn, Executive Director, **Eurosif**

Theodor Christensen, Deputy Head of Division, **Capital Market Regulation at Danish FSA**

Meg Brown, Chief Product & Marketing Officer, Executive Director, **Impax Asset Management**

Rebecca Palmer, Director, Sustainable Finance Data, **ICE**

Moderator:

Michael Maldener, CEO & Founder, **Sustaide**

ESG issues. Is this trend set to become financially material to investors?

- How are investors using litigation as an active ownership tool?
- Are ESG issues-based litigation cases undermining the growth of sustainable finance or making it more robust?

Speakers:

Sophie Marjanac, Senior Lawyer/Climate Accountability Lead, **ClientEarth**

Charlotta Sydstrand, Sustainability Strategist, **AP7**

Moderator:

Mike Clark, Founder Director, **Ario Advisory**

perform against conventional paper?

- Do investors still have to pay up to meet their green allocations?
- What would a mandatory usage of the Green Bond Standard mean for issuers?

Speakers:

Adrien-Paul Lambillon, Researcher, Sustainable Finance, **University of Zurich**

Caroline Harrison, Senior Research Analyst, **Climate Bonds Initiative**

Mitch Reznick, Head of Sustainable Fixed Income, **CFA**

Laetitia Hamon, Head of Sustainable Finance, **Luxembourg Stock Exchange**

Moderator:

Dominic Webb, Reporter, **Responsible Investor**



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<p>16:05 Networking break</p>	<p>16:05 Networking break</p>	<p>16:05 Networking break</p>
<p>16:20 Stream A-3: Climate risk and ESG in real estate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decarbonising existing property assets. • How to quantify increasing climate risks and their related insurance cover. • The impact of future regulation on the real estate industry <p>Speakers: Katherine Taylor, Senior Climate Risk Analyst, The Climate Service (an S&P Global company)</p> <p>Lonneke Löwik, Chief Executive Officer, INREV</p> <p>Andrea Palmer, Responsible Investment Lead, Listed Real Estate, PGGM Investments</p>	<p>16:20 Stream B-3: How do investors allocate more to emerging markets?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investors must increase their allocations to emerging markets to move the world to Net Zero and act on the SDGs, but how can they do it? • Can blended finance help alleviate political and currency risk in EM investments? • Addressing the data gap between perceived and actual risk in EM investments. <p>Speakers: Barbara Oldani, Director, Emerging Markets Investors Alliance</p> <p>Eva-Marie Zagode, Investment Manager, Allianz Investment Management and author of NZAOA paper <i>Scaling Blended Finance</i></p> <p>David McNeil, Director, Head of Climate Risk, Sustainable Fitch</p>	<p>16:20 Stream C-3: The place of the defence industry in ESG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can defence assets be classed as social investments? • Has the war in Ukraine changed the equation on defence and sustainability? • What are the main hurdles for ESG investors when it comes to defence? <p>Speakers: Jan Pie, Secretary General, ASD</p> <p>Sasja Beslik, Author of <i>Where the Money Tree Grows</i> and CIO, SDG Impact Japan</p> <p>Tommy Piemonte, Head of Sustainable Investment Research, Bank für Kirche und Caritas</p>



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<p>Moderator: Claudia De Meulemeester, Senior Reporter, Responsible Investor</p>	<p>Kristine Damkjaer, Non-Executive Director, ThomasLloyd Energy Impact Trust</p> <p>Moderator: Rory Sullivan, Co-Founder and Director, Chronos Sustainability</p>	<p>Moderator: Gina Gambetta, Senior Reporter, Responsible Investor</p>
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17:05 Cocktail reception and networking

Day two: 15 June

09:15

Registration and refreshments

<p>10:00 Stream A-4: How to assess corporate transition plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should investors benchmark climate strategies of listed companies against other firms in the same sectors? • Should these strategies be confirmed as science-based before they are endorsed by investors? 	<p>10:00 Stream B-4: Why the engage/divest debate is back</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As investors look to meet their net zero targets, is divestment a good policy? • Can the same reasoning be applied to divestment to act on human rights issues? 	<p>09:45 Workshop – Devising and acting on a credible net zero strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What concerns have you met in setting up robust net zero targets? • How are your peers addressing these same challenges?
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- How can investors use CA 100 + and TPI's net-zero benchmarks/sector assessments to align to 1.5 degrees in a timely manner?

Speakers:

Michael Hugman, Director, Finance - Climate, **Children's Investment Fund Foundation**

Beata Bienkowska, Deputy Research and Project Lead, **Transition Pathway Initiative**

Jaakko Kooroshy, Global Head of Sustainable Investment Research, **FTSE Russell**

Moderator:

Claudia De Meulemeester, Senior Reporter, **Responsible Investor**

- The case for keeping the conversation going with companies.

Speakers:

Stephen Barrie, Deputy Chief Responsible Investment Officer, **Church of England Pensions Board**

Mark Campanale, Founder and Executive Director, **Carbon Tracker Initiative**

Katharina Lindmeier, Senior Responsible Investment Manager, **Nest**

Kristine Damkjaer, Non-Executive Director, **ThomasLloyd Energy Impact Trust**

Moderator:

Dominic Webb, Reporter, **Responsible Investor**

- Get your questions answered by our net zero experts.

(Max. capacity 60) – [Register for the workshop](#).

Speakers:

Willemijn Verdegaal, Co-Head Climate & ESG Solutions, **Ortec Finance**

Chandra Gopinathan, Senior Investment Manager - Sustainable Ownership, **Railpen**

Workshop leader:

Rory Sullivan, Co-Founder and Director, **Chronos Sustainability**

Dan Gardiner, Climate Transition Analyst, **IIGCC**

Ella Harvey, Manager, Policy Research, **Chronos Sustainability**

Amanda Williams, Director of Communications, **Chronos Sustainability**

Lisa Eichler, Co-head Climate & ESG Solutions, **Ortec Finance**



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<p>10:45 Networking break</p>	<p>10:45 Networking break</p>	<p>10:45 Networking break</p>
<p>11:15 Stream A-5: Preparing for the EU Taxonomy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can investors confidently trust in the taxonomy as a classification of what is scientifically green? • Do the updated disclosure rules for gas and nuclear create a 'dual-taxonomy'? • How best to address persisting data gaps? <p>Speakers: Andreas Hoepner, Professor of Operational Risk, Banking & Finance, University College Dublin and Member, EU's Platform for Sustainable Finance</p> <p>Helena Viñes Fiestas, Commissioner of the Spanish Financial Markets Authority,</p>	<p>11:15 Stream B-5: ESG Data and the development of the CSRD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will the CSRD help ESG data become more reliable? • How can investors make the most of new sources of information: satellite data, artificial intelligence, big data? • How mature and trustworthy are the ESG databases being developed by the EU, the UK, and beyond? <p>Speakers: Charlotte Bancilhon, Director, BSR and Member of the EFRAG Expert Working Group on the EU sustainable reporting standards</p> <p>Kris Nathanail-Brighton, Senior Policy Advisor, International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO)</p>	<p>11:15 Stream C-5: In pursuit of banks: how are pension funds steering banks towards greener lending models?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are investors engaging with banks to stop lending to new fossil fuels? • Update on the Net Zero Banking Alliance. • Climate and environmental risk management in the banking sector – what investors can learn from the ECB's report <p>Speakers: Giel Linthorst, Executive Director, Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials</p> <p>Jeanne Martin, Senior Campaign Manager, ShareAction</p> <p>Remco Fischer, Head of Climate Change, UNEP FI, representing the Secretariat for the Net Zero Banking Alliance</p>



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Rapporteur of the EU Platform
on Sustainable Finance

Peter Munro,
Head of Division, Capital
Markets Dept.

European Investment Bank;
Sherpa at EU Platform on
Sustainable Finance

Moderator:

James Hulse, Managing Director,
Hindsight Consultancy

Rodolphe Bocquet,
Head of Partnerships and
Regulation, **Clarity AI**

Moderator:

Anna Irmisch, Climate Finance
Program Manager, **European
Climate Foundation**

Moderator:

Mike Clark, Founder Director,
Ario Advisory

12:00

Lunch break

13:00

Keynote Interview: “Advancements and challenges in developing the UK Green Taxonomy”

by **Ingrid Holmes, Executive Director, Green Finance Institute and Chair, GTAG in conversation with Lucy Fitzgeorge-Parker, Editor, Responsible Investor**

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Plenary 4: Biodiversity and the quest to ‘live in harmony with nature’ by 2050

- With the dust settling on COP15, what does the global framework on biodiversity mean for investors?
- Will biodiversity become as serious an investment consideration as climate change?
- What are investors and service providers doing to build the market?

Speakers:

Roel Nozeman, Chair, **Partnership for Biodiversity Accounting Financials**

Elli Siapkidou, Financial System Research Lead, **The World Benchmarking Alliance**

Meggin Thwing Eastman, Editorial Director for ESG & Climate Research, **MSCI**

Reza Marvasti, ESG Product Manager (Biodiversity & Alternative Asset Solutions), **ISS ESG**

Moderator: Gina Gambetta, Senior Reporter, **Responsible Investor**

14:25 Networking break

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Plenary 5: Regulator and investor lead initiatives to act on human rights

- What do the EU's latest efforts on mandatory due diligence rules mean for investors?
- Investor data needs and challenges related to managing human rights
- Addressing human rights risks in portfolios through stewardship – what have investors learnt from engaging with companies concerning their activity in the Xinjiang region of China or in Myanmar?

Speakers:

Kiran Aziz, Head of Responsible Investments, **KLP**

Josina Kamerling, Head of Regulatory Outreach EMEA, **CFA Institute**

Phil Bloomer, Executive Director, **Business & Human Rights Resource Centre**

Moderator: Gina Gambetta, Senior Reporter, **Responsible Investor**

15:45 Closing remarks