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22-23 October
Marina Bay Sands, Singapore

Day One | Wednesday 22nd October

08:00

Registration & Networking

09:00

RI welcome

09:10

Keynote

09:25

Plenary #1: State of the market - sustainability in a post-globalising world

- Making sense of the Atlantic divide: what is the impact on Asia of EU regulations and US disruption?
- How do geopolitical tensions impact sustainability agenda in the region?
- Is there a new consensus on what sustainable finance is?
- What does a just transition look like in the AI age?

Kavitha Menon, Executive Director, **Singapore Sustainable Finance Association (SSFA)**

Kamran Khan, Managing Director, Head of ESG for Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa, **Deutsche Bank**
BNP Paribas, Speaker to be announced

10:05

Plenary #2: Asset owners' perspectives - priorities in a new era

- How are investors adapting to uncertainty?
- How can investors balance fiduciary duty with climate leadership?
- What issues can investors make a real difference on?
- Are asset managers that neglect sustainability at risk of losing large mandates?
- What should AOs expect from their asset managers (and what they shouldn't if they were realistic)?

Debanik Basu, Head of Responsible Investment & Stewardship, APAC, **APG Asset Management**

Sophie Zheng, Director, Investment Management APAC, **Zurich Insurance**

Greg Munford, Senior Investment Strategist – Sustainable Investment, **New Zealand Superannuation Fund**

Sandra Silea, Director – ESG and Stewardship, **AustralianSuper**



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Networking break

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Plenary #3: Balancing realism & idealism in transition finance

- What is the maturity of transition finance, and what real-world change is it affecting?
- What is needed, what is missing, what is there to do for investors now?
- Is it possible for investors to manage risk in a disorderly transition?
- How can transition finance in Asia be made investable for global capital?
- Can or should Asia (broadly speaking) seek to “export” its approach to transition finance?

Christina Ng, Managing Director, **Energy Shift Institute**

David Russell, Chair, **Transition Pathway Initiative - TPI**

11:55

Keynote: Deep dive into La Caisse’s 2025-2030 climate strategy

La Caisse (formerly CDQP) are one of the most advanced institutional investors in the world in their climate investing approach.

In this session we’ll understand how La Caisse are turning convictions into practice. Learn what levers they intend to work to accelerate the decarbonisation of companies and the real economy, in Asia and globally.

Bertrand Millot, Head of Sustainability, **La Caisse**

12:15

Plenary #4: Addressing physical risk: deep dive into scenario planning and beyond

- Asia is particularly exposed to physical risks, what can investors do?
- Should investors be preparing for a two- or three-degree scenario?
- How is the science of scenario analysis evolving – is it accurate and actionable for investors?
- Is it possible to accurately assess exposure to existing portfolios?
- Who is getting adaptation right, in what sectors, and where?

De Rui Wong, Senior Vice President, Sustainability, **GIC**

Jenn-Hui Tan, Chief Sustainability Officer, **Fidelity International**



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Lunch

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Keynote

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Plenary #5: Next chapter of sustainable finance in ASEAN energy systems

- What is the role of sustainable finance in energy going forward?
- What are the key barriers to financing new energy projects?
- What does the changing US-China relationship mean for renewables uptake?
- What can the financial sector really influence, vs policymakers, in order to unlock opportunities?

Sue-Ern Tan, Head, International Energy Agency Regional Cooperation Centre, **International Energy Agency (IEA)**

David von Eiff, Director, Global Industry Standards, **CFA Institute**

15:00

Plenary #6: State of fixed income - deep dive into APAC's sustainability-linked bonds market

- Fixed income sustainability: deep dive into APAC's sustainability-linked bonds market
- Why is the uptake of sustainability-linked bonds still limited in Asia?
- How can SLB structures be simplified without compromising credibility of impact?
- How does Japan's GX bond programme differ from standard green bonds - and will it work to scale capital mobilisation?
- How are investors evaluating the use-of-proceeds frameworks for bonds?
- How can issuers better structure and market bonds to institutional investors?

Ricco Zhang, Senior Director, Asia Pacific, **ICMA - International Capital Market Association**

Rose Choy, Research Director, APAC, **Anthropocene Fixed Income Institute**

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Networking Break

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Plenary #7: Nature & biodiversity risk: too complex to handle?

- How is scenario analysis being applied to nature and biodiversity?



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- What progress has been made on embedding nature-related consideration into investment strategy?
- How can investors contribute to nature in a broader way than just investing in mangroves and forests?
- What is the emerging on nature-related data and common metrics?

Liza Jansen, Head of Responsible Investment, **Prudential**
Darian McBain, CEO, Outsourced **Chief Sustainability Officer Asia**
JP Morgan, Speaker to be announced

16:45

Plenary #8: Climate allocator deep dive: how to tap into the UN's Green Climate Fund (GCF) capital pool

GCF is the largest climate fund in the world with committed capital of \$62 billion. GCF invests as a Limited Partner in climate funds launched by private fund managers. In this session we'll explore:

- How can interested fund managers obtain LP investment from GCF for their climate funds?
- What is the GCF investment approval process?
- How are climate funds and fund managers partnering with GCF to scale climate investments?
- Which investment themes, areas and sectors is the GCF prioritising for additionality and impact?

Kamran Khan, Managing Director, Head of Sustainable Finance for APAC, Middle & Africa **Deutsche Bank**

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Cocktail reception



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Morning roundtables: best practices in the sustainable finance 3.0 toolkit

These interactive roundtables are intended to allow attendees to share challenges and experience on practical topics for sustainable finance professionals.

1. Getting to grips with climate risk – led by Liza Jansen, Head of Responsible Investment, **Prudential**
2. Oceans – led by Darian McBain, CEO, **Outsourced Chief Sustainability Officer Asia**
3. Integrating biodiversity into investment decisions
4. Future of food and nutrition – led by Mirte Gosker, Chief Executive Officer, **The Good Food Institute Asia Pacific**
5. Just transition - Chaitra Nayak, Programme Manager Just Transition, **Asia Investor Group on Climate Change**
6. Systemic risks
7. Social disruption from AI
8. Cybersecurity

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Short break

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Plenary #9: Corporate engagement in Asia

- Where are the boundaries of effective engagement in Asia's varied regulatory and cultural environments?
- What does meaningful impact look like from investor engagement, beyond box-ticking or disclosure wins?
- How can engagement strategies shift from reactive to proactive stewardship?
- What incentives, escalation tools, and local partnerships can amplify engagement outcomes?

Corrine Png, Regional Head of Equities Research and Stewardship, **AIA**

Nana Li, Head of Sustainability & Stewardship, Asia-Pacific, **Impax Asset Management**

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Coffee & Networking

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Plenary #10: Blended finance in the coming decade

- Is the renewed momentum behind blended finance grounded in outcomes, or is it just another fad?
- What meaningful innovations in blended finance have emerged in the last 5 years, especially in Asia?
- What structural pitfalls have led to failures in blended finance structures?
- How can blended finance be better leveraged to support climate adaptation, nature-based solutions, and biodiversity outcomes?

Kalpana Seethapalli, Director of Sustainable Finance for Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa, **Deutsche Bank**

Tristan Knowles, Unit Head, Blended Finance, **Asian Development Bank**

12:25

Plenary #11: From materiality to additionality - impact investing via public markets

- Is the concept of impact investing still misunderstood in Asia, and conflated with ESG investing?
- Can public markets realistically deliver both competitive returns and measurable sustainability impact?
- What portfolio trade-offs are acceptable when investing for impact?
- How should impact in public markets be measured; are current metrics meaningful or misleading?

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Lunch

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End of conference