## Infrastructure Investor Network

# America Forum



## 2023 Agenda

## Wednesday 29 November

08:30 - 08:45

**Welcome from Infrastructure Investor** 

08:45 - 09:00

#### Introduction from the chair

Ashli Aslin, Senior Analyst Real Assets and Infrastructure, Albourne Partners

09:00 - 09:40

#### Keynote Opening Panel: A deep dive into North America's "infrastructure decade"

- Hitting on the fundraising breaks: exploring the appetite for core and continuation funds in a high interest era
- Investigating how resilient infrastructure will be in 2023 and beyond in the current macroeconomic landscape
- Going back to basics: What the investor community needs to see

Kevin Genieser, Senior Partner, Antin Infrastructure Partners

Rob Kupchak, Senior Managing Director, **Stonepeak** Léonie Maruani, Senior Director, **Vauban Infrastructure Partners America** Stephen Simpson, Partner, **Instar Asset Management** 

Moderated by: Isabel O'Brien, Reporter, Infrastructure Investor

09:40 - 10:20

#### Panel: Assessing the state of the post-IIJA P3 market in North America

- The impact of government policies and changes in regulations on the P3 market
- How technology has changed the landscape of P3 projects
- The future of the P3 market: identifying the key drivers for growth and what that will look like in the coming years

Jeremy Ebie, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, **The Phoenix Infrastructure Group** Nicolas Rubio, Partner, Chief Executive Officer Americas, **Meridiam** 

Moderated by: Zak Bentley, Americas Editor, Infrastructure Investor

10:20 - 11:00

#### Panel: Dissecting new infrastructure investment opportunities amid high inflation, rates and volatility

- A deep dive into what extent infrastructure is an inflation hedge
- How long inflation will stay up and that looks like for infrastructure sub-sectors such as transportation, renewables, water resources and broadband
- Inflation risk: how exposed are North American infrastructure investors

John Ma, Co-Head of North America & Partner, Igneo Infrastructure Partners Graham Matthews, Head of Infrastructure, Patrizia Miriam Rafiqi, Managing Director, HIG Capital Peter Taylor, Managing Director, Carlyle Global Infrastructure

Moderated by: Xenia Garofalo, Partner, Eversheds Sutherland

11:00 - 11:30

### Coffee & networking break

11:30 - 12:10

#### Panel: The resilience of infrastructure debt

- How to navigate the challenges of managing risk and liquidity in the current financial landscape
- Where US infrastructure debt investment sits in comparison to other regions and what the future holds for investors and borrowers
- Investigating if infrastructure debt will continue to outperform alternative credit strategies

Don Dimitrievich, Portfolio Manager, Senior Managing Director, Energy Infrastructure Credit, **Nuveen**Luke Fernandes, Head of US Infrastructure Debt, Director, **Swiss Re**Florestan Ferroux, Senior Director, Infrastructure Financing, **CDPQ**Mansi Patel, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure Debt – Americas & APAC, **MetLife Investment Management**Manish Taneja, Managing Director and Deputy Global Head of Carlyle Infrastructure Credit, **Carlyle Infrastructure Credit** 

Moderated by: Guy Hopgood, Director, bfinance

12:10 – 12:50

#### Panel: ESG – evolving risks and opportunities in infrastructure investment

- Identifying the challenges/opportunities of measuring, managing and reporting on progress towards tackling the evolving risks and opportunities
- · Navigating the impact of climate risk on the viability and resilience of infrastructure assets
- What the advent of AI and machine learning means for performance and helping to achieve ESG goals

Paul Barker, Partner, Kirkland & Ellis

Dr. Tobias Engelmeier, Chief Executive Officer & Co-Founder, VIDA James Mackey, Managing Director, Climate Investment
Avantika Saisekar, Managing Director of Sustainable Investing, Wafra

Moderated by: Joss Blamire, Director, Infrastructure, GRESB

12:50 - 13:10

Keynote interview with significant infrastructure player

12:50 - 13:50

## **Networking lunch**

Stream A – Energy transition & renewables	Stream B – Digital Infrastructure deep dive
13:50 – 14:25	13:50 – 14:25
The rising stars under the microscope: Hydrogen, batteries & EV charging in an IRA world	Telecommunication infrastructure investment: challenges and opportunities in North America
<ul> <li>Discussing if these subsectors are established infrastructure or optimistic/value-add</li> <li>The role the subsectors play to enable the energy transition</li> <li>Exploring the sustainability of batteries and EV charging</li> <li>Perry Babb, Chief Executive Officer, KeyState Energy</li> <li>Eugene Holubnyak, Director, University of Wyoming School of Energy</li> <li>Resources</li> <li>Violeta Rabanal, Senior Director – Head of Corporate Development, Mitsubishi</li> <li>Power</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Navigating regulatory hurdles and increased competition from emerging technologies</li> <li>Exploring the initiatives to meet customer demand in remote and underserved geographies</li> <li>Dissecting the opportunities for investors in the telecommunication investment landscape</li> </ul>

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Moderated by: David Beamish, Principal, Investment Alternatives (Infrastructure), Gisele Everett, Senior Managing Director and Head of OMERS Infrastructure **Mercer Alternatives** Americas. OMERS Omar Jaffrey, Managing Partner/Sole Founder, Palistar Capital Jonathan Zelmanovitch, Partner, PMP Strategy Moderated by: Tommer Yoked, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP 14:30 - 15:05 14:30 - 15:05Examining the energy trilemma – security, sustainability Dissecting the demand for fibre to the home and affordability Examining rollout dynamics across North America compared • The role of due diligence in assessing climate risk and to other regions Exploring what is being done on projects to make the other sustainability measures processes more efficient, transparent and cleaner The impact of emerging technologies, such as blockchain, The role of Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment on the energy trilemma Discussing the importance of energy efficiency measures in Programme (BEAD) in fibre rollout promoting sustainability The role of renewable energy in promoting energy security Anthony Bednarczyk, Head of Broadband Practise, Fujitsu Network Communications Kemi-Christina Abdul, Managing Director, **BlueHaven** Filip Guz, Managing Director, Origination & Execution, InfraRed Capital Partners Angelo Acconcia, Partner, ArcLight Capital Partners Stephanie Kwong, Principal, Generate Matthew Mendes, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, Investment Kangdi Peng, Associate Director - Investment Director - Infrastructure, Australian Management Corporation of Ontario (IMCO) Super Moderated by: Isabel O'Brien, Reporter, Infrastructure Investor Moderated by: Taylor J. Hart, Partner, Ropes & Gray 15:10 - 15:45 15:10 - 15:45The impact of interest rates and inflation on digital The impact of interest rates and inflation on the energy subsectors infrastructure Exploring how to harness momentum as North American • The role of co-investments in digital infrastructure investment clean power production builds and costs for renewable in the current climate technology continues to fall The impact of inflation on R&D and long-term plans for What inflation directly means for consumers growth in digital infrastructure Navigating higher production costs and the impact on the • How a more stable inflation and interest rate backdrop will set the stage for positive infrastructure earnings growth energy subsectors Dr. Mathias Bimberg, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, Prime Capital AG Yael Hayim, Senior Banker - Digital Infrastructure and Technology, ING Capital Vidyu Kishor, Director, Renewables and Grid Solutions, Osaka Gas USA Santhosh Rao, Managing Director, MUFG Rudi Stuetzle. Senior Vice President. Munich Re America Surinder Toor, Managing Partner, Arjun Infrastructure Quynh Tran, Managing Director and Co-Head, Infrastructure Finance – North America, **Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation** Moderated by: Daniel Silverberg, Managing Director, Capstone LLC Moderated by: Eugene Zhuchenko, Managing Director, ETORE Advisory

15:50 - 16:30

## **Coffee & networking break**

16:30 - 17:10

#### LP panel: How are infrastructure investors finding a point of differentiation

- Exploring the demand for more complex structure deals
- · How infrastructure fares in relative attractiveness compared to other asset classes such as credit and PE
- Looking into a crystal ball: the future for investor-manager relationships

Niraj Agarwal, Head of Real Assets, **New Jersey Division of Investment**Petya Nikolova, Deputy Chief Investment Officer, **New York City Retirement System**Mark White, Senior Analyst, **Albourne Partners** 

Moderated by: Andrea Logan, Director, First Point Equity

17:10 - 17:40

#### Infrastructure Investor: Investment Committee

Two hand-picked fund managers will present investment case studies in this exclusive, data-driven and interactive format. Hosted by two experts, you'll have the chance to ask questions, share your thoughts and vote on the transactions in our very own investment committee.

Moderated by: Mark Weisdorf, Chair of Investment Committee, IST3 IG

- Dr. Mathias Bimberg, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, Prime Capital AG
- Michael Ryder, Partner, Co- Head of North America, Igneo Infrastructure Partners

17:40 - 17:45

#### Chair's wrap up and close of Day 1

Ashli Aslin, Senior Analyst Real Assets and Infrastructure, Albourne Partners

17:45 - 18:45

**Cocktail reception** 

## Thursday 30 November

08:15 - 09:30

Investor-only Breakfast session (by invitation only)

09:30 - 09:40

#### Chair's welcome back

Ashli Aslin, Senior Analyst Real Assets and Infrastructure, Albourne Partners

09:40 - 10:10

#### **Opening Keynote Panel**

Investor Keynote: Energy Transition 2.0 – The investor handbook to the next phase of transition investing Zak Bentley, Americas Editor, Infrastructure Investor

Matthew Mendes, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, Investment Management Corporation of Ontario (IMCO)

10:10 - 10:20

#### Market update from Infrastructure Investor

10:20 - 11:00

#### Panel: North America's position on diversity, equity and inclusion

- Joining the dots between ESG and DEI
- Exploring the legitimate need for data and the value it brings if any
- Where the infrastructure asset class places on the DEI scorecard

Ashli Aslin, Senior Analyst Real Assets and Infrastructure, **Albourne Partners**Lisa Buglione, Executive Director, **AIAI (Association for the Improvement of American Infrastructure)**Margot Phillips, Senior Director and Head of DEI for North America, **Ericsson**Melisa V Simic, Senior Director, ESG Integration Infrastructure, **Nuveen** 

Moderated by: Snehal Shah, Senior Reporter, New Private Markets

11:00 - 11:20

## **Coffee & networking break**

11:20 - 12:00

#### Panel: Data centers under the spotlight

- What the investment landscape looks like and the challenges in data center investment
- How to maximize efficiency in data center operations such as energy efficiency measures etc.
- A deep dive into emerging technologies such as AI, machine learning and edge computing and their impact on data centers

Ed Diffendal, Managing Director, Co-Head Private Infrastructure Americas, **Partners Group** Recep C Kendircioglu, Global Head of Infrastructure Equity, **Manulife Investment Management** 

Moderated by: Canan Anli, Senior Advisor, PMP Strategy

12:00 - 12:40

#### Panel: Transportation infrastructure investment: key challenges and solutions

- Identifying the incentives from federal government capital put into transportation
- How to make transportation more sustainable
- Exploring the buying opportunities for transport investors

Heidi Boyd, Senior Managing Director, **Blackstone**Jim Burchetta, Managing Director, **Oaktree Capital Management**Sion Jones, Chief Operating Officer, **Equitix**Jason Koenig, Managing Partner, **ITE Management**Thomas Mulvihill, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, **KeyBanc** 

Moderated by: Alexis Rosenberg, Senior Associate, Ashurst

12:40 - 13:40

## **Networking lunch**

13:40 - 14:20

#### LP panel: North American investor views on navigating disrupted markets

- How infrastructure investors plan to tackle the tailwinds from the increase in interest rates on the banking crisis
- Investigating the shift from endowments towards infrastructure investment
- Exploring investor appetite for investing in emerging/first time managers

Anna Dayn, Managing Partner, **New End**Janice Ince, Managing Director, **Pantheon Ventures**Nataliya Johnson, CEO & Founder, **Vasant Capital**Ziad Sarkis, Director of Research, Alternative Investment Program, **The Wharton Program** 

Moderated by: Irene Mavroyannis, Managing Director, Global Co-Head, Business Development, Infrastructure, Partners Group

14:20 - 15:20

#### **Afternoon Coffee Roundtables**

- Infrastructure resilience and climate adaptability Joss Blamire, Director, Infrastructure, GRESB
- Renewable energy infrastructure investments James Mackey, Managing Director, Climate Investment
- Social infrastructure investment Lisa Buglione, Executive Director, AIAI (Association for the Improvement of American Infrastructure)
- Alternative investment vehicles: co-investments & secondaries Michael McGowan, Principal Infrastructure Market Leader, North America, Mercer Alternatives

15:20 - 15:30

Chair's closing comments

15:30

**End of conference** 



