

# Infrastructure Investor Network

# America Forum



## 2023 Agenda

Wednesday 29 November

08:30 – 08:45

**Welcome from Infrastructure Investor and introduction from the chair**

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**

Léonie Maruani, Senior Director, **Vauban Infrastructure Partners America**

Stephen Simpson, Partner, **Instar Asset Management**

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**

**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**

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

Luke Fernandes, Head of US Infrastructure Debt, Director, **Swiss Re**

Florestan Ferroux, Senior Director, Infrastructure Financing, **CDPQ**

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**

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Dr. Tobias Engelmeier, Chief Executive Officer & Co-Founder, **VIDA**  
James Mackey, Managing Director, **Climate Investment**

**Moderated by:** Joss Blamire, Director, Infrastructure, **GRESB**

12:50 – 13:10

**Keynote interview with significant infrastructure player**

13:10 – 14:10

## Networking lunch

Stream A – Energy transition & renewables	Stream B – Digital Infrastructure deep dive
<p>14:10 – 14:45</p> <p><b>The rising stars under the microscope: Hydrogen, batteries &amp; EV charging in an IRA world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </ul> <p>Perry Babb, Chief Executive Officer, <b>KeyState Energy</b> Eugene Holubnyak, Director, <b>University of Wyoming School of Energy Resources</b> Jason Lanclos, Director for the State Energy Office, <b>Louisiana Department of Natural Resources</b> Violeta Rabanal, Senior Director – Head of Corporate Development, <b>Mitsubishi Power</b></p>	<p>14:10 – 14:45</p> <p><b>Telecommunication infrastructure investment: challenges and opportunities in North America</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> <p>Enda Hardiman, Founder &amp; Managing Partner, <b>Hardiman Telecoms</b> Omar Jaffrey, Managing Partner/Sole Founder, <b>Palistar Capital</b> Jonathan Zelmanovitch, Partner, <b>PMP Strategy</b></p> <p><b>Moderated by:</b> Tommer Yoked, Partner, <b>Sidley Austin LLP</b></p>
<p>14:45 – 15:20</p> <p><b>Examining the energy trilemma – security, sustainability and affordability</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of due diligence in assessing climate risk and other sustainability measures</li> <li>• The impact of emerging technologies, such as blockchain, on the energy trilemma</li> <li>• Discussing the importance of energy efficiency measures in promoting sustainability</li> <li>• The role of renewable energy in promoting energy security</li> </ul> <p>Kemi-Christina Abdul, Managing Director, <b>BlueHaven</b> Angelo Aconcia, Partner, <b>ArcLight Capital Partners</b> Matthew Mendes, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, <b>Investment Management Corporation of Ontario (IMCO)</b></p>	<p>14:45 – 15:20</p> <p><b>Dissecting the demand for fibre to the home</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examining rollout dynamics across North America compared to other regions</li> <li>• Exploring what is being done on projects to make the processes more efficient, transparent and cleaner</li> <li>• The role of Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment Programme (BEAD) in fibre rollout</li> </ul> <p>Stephanie Kwong, Principal, <b>Generate</b> Kangdi Peng, Associate Director – Investment Director - Infrastructure, <b>Australian Super</b></p> <p><b>Moderated by:</b> Taylor J. Hart, Partner, <b>Ropes &amp; Gray</b></p>

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<b>Moderated by:</b> Isabel O'Brien, Reporter, <b>Infrastructure Investor</b>	
<p>15:20 – 15:55</p> <p><b>The impact of interest rates and inflation on the energy subsectors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploring how to harness momentum as North American clean power production builds and costs for renewable technology continues to fall</li> <li>• What inflation directly means for consumers</li> <li>• Navigating higher production costs and the impact on the energy subsectors</li> </ul>	<p>15:20 – 15:55</p> <p><b>The impact of interest rates and inflation on digital infrastructure</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of co-investments in digital infrastructure investment in the current climate</li> <li>• The impact of inflation on R&amp;D and long-term plans for growth in digital infrastructure</li> <li>• How a more stable inflation and interest rate backdrop will set the stage for positive infrastructure earnings growth</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderated by:</b> Eugene Zhuchenko, Managing Director, <b>ETORE Advisory</b></p>

15:55 – 16:15

## Coffee & networking break

16:15 – 16:50

### 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**

Monica Huffer, Portfolio Manager, Private Markets, **Texas Municipal Retirement System**

Petya Nikolova, Deputy Chief Investment Officer, **New York City Retirement System**

Devinder Sangha, Partner, **Albourne Partners**

**Moderated by:** Andrea Logan, Director, **First Point Equity**

16:50 – 17:45

### Infrastructure Investor: Investment Committee

*Three 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**

17:45 – 17:50

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Chair's wrap up and close of Day 1

17:45 – 18:40

## Cocktail reception

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### Thursday 30 November

08:15 – 09:30

**Investor-only Breakfast session (by invitation only)**

09:30 – 09:40

**Chair's welcome back**

09:40 – 10:10

**Opening Keynote Panel**

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**

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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

Sion Jones, Chief Operating Officer, **Equitix**  
Thomas Mulvihill, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, **KeyBanc**

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**  
Nataliya Johnson, CEO & Founder, **Vasant Capital**

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

14:20 – 15:20

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## **Afternoon Coffee Roundtables**

15:20 – 15:30

**Chair's closing comments**

15:30

**End of conference**

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