

Responsible Investment Forum: Tokyo 2022

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8-9 June 2022 | Tokyo

The third annual **Responsible Investment Forum: Tokyo** 2022 will return as an in-person event in Tokyo. Explore the hottest global ESG themes through the lens of Japanese institutional investors and examine how both investors and managers can co-create a sustainable investment lifecycle.

Alongside the **Responsible Investment Forum**, we are delighted to launch the inaugural **Impact Investment Forum**. Impact investing is a rapidly growing industry powered by investors who are determined to generate social and environmental impact, as well as financial returns. Hear from the investors and experts to discuss their approach, expectations of managers and the rise of impact investing.

Reconnect with Japanese investors, global fund managers, and specialist impact fund managers to map out responsible and impact investment frameworks for positive growth in 2022 and beyond. The conference will be provided with live simultaneous interpretation (English / Japanese).

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Wednesday, 8 June 2022

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08:30 **Breakfast briefing (by invitation only)**

- Introduction on the spectrum of responsible investment – interpretation of ESG terms, exclusions, “unknowns” for Japanese investors considering sustainable and impact investing

09:00 **Welcome address from Private Equity International**

Trends, opportunities and value creation

09:10 **Keynote panel: Responsible investment: Global trends, opportunities, and disputes**

- What is driving the momentum for responsible investment? What factors do global fund managers consider in positioning their investment strategy in 2022?
- Lessons learnt from striking a balance between ESG and financial performance
- Which ESG trends and opportunities will emerge next year?

Speakers:

Jeff Pentland, Managing Director, **Northleaf Capital Partners**

Jun Tsusaka, CEO, CIO and Chairman of the ESG Committee, **NSSK**

09:55 **Presentation: How is climate change affecting investments in new regime?**

10:25 **Panel: The new face of sustainable infrastructure and renewables**

- Climate change mitigation (investing in clean energy / climate solution / energy efficiency) and adaptation
- What are the top issues facing renewables as an investment sector?
- Is achieving the net-zero carbon target by 2050 a short-term or long-term goal?

11:05 **Morning break**

11:35 **Panel: Integrating ESG in real estate investment**

- How has the pandemic affected real estate investors' focus on ESG risks and opportunities?
- Is it necessary to designate an ESG team for a single asset class?
- What ESG metrics and measurements do fund managers track and how do they analyse the data?



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11:55 **Case studies: Value creation opportunities**

- Examples of best in class
- To what extent is ESG an important value creation driver in infrastructure funds, real estate funds, private and growth equity funds?

12:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 **Panel: Call to action: ESG in private market**

- What should investors ask from their managers to invest more responsibly when it relates to E, S and G? Mandated vs optional?
- What does ESG leadership look like?
- Identifying green washing and steps to address

Spotlight on ESG in Japan

14:15 **Keynote presentation**

Speaker: Hideya Sadanaga, Head of Private Equity, **Japan Post Bank**

14:45 **Afternoon break**

15:15 **Panel: Corporate governance and stewardship**

- Frameworks and governance for transparency and accountability
- What does a good ESG policy include?
- How do investors combine long term and short term strategy with active stewardship?

Speaker: Satoshi Ikeda, Chief Sustainable Finance Officer, **Financial Services Agency**

15:55 **Presentation: ESG Monitoring and reporting**

16:25 **Closing panel: The Japanese investors' view**

- What does responsible investing mean to private market investors now and how is ESG affecting their dialogues with fund managers?
- Major priorities when setting up ESG investment policy framework
- How do asset owners think the priorities will change in the next five years?

17:00 **Cocktail reception**



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12:00 **Networking Lunch**

13:00 **Welcome address**

13:05 **Keynote Panel: Impact - investing in the future of Japan**

- What are the megatrends for the next 5 years?
- What are Japan's most pressing social issues right now?
- Which sectors are being disrupted?

13:45 **Investor Panel: How do impact investments accelerate the pursuit of ESG?**

- Understanding the investor appetite for impact funds
- What is the selection criteria for impact funds and managers?
- Common pitfalls and mistakes to avoid

14:30 **Coffee Break**

14:45 **VC Panel: Spearheading innovation in Japan**

- Top Japanese venture capital firms assess the past years' fund performance
- Technological breakthroughs that are improving lives
- How are government policies encouraging innovation in 2022?

15:25 **Case study: Tackling Japan's aging population**

- What is 'Age Tech'?
- How have impact investments transformed lives of the people of Japan?

15:55 **Investor interview: Mobilizing capital with urgency**

- Listen to prominent investor who is setting the example by raising the standards
- Discover the motivation and rewards of financing impact business models

16:15 **Coffee Break**



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16:30 **Agri Panel: Investing in sustainable food**

- Top tier agri fund managers evaluate resilience of the agri asset class
- The relationship between food production and the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Quantifying and measuring impact in agri

17:10 **Insurer Panel: A net zero portfolio – where do you start?**

- Hear from the *Net-Zero Asset Owner Alliance*
- Attaching a monetary value to naturally occurring benefits of carbon capture, high water quality, clean air, healthy biodiversity, etc.
- Where are the quick wins?

17:40 **Closing remarks**

17:45 **Closing Cocktails**

The agenda is subject to change.



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