

Green Finance Conference 2018

5-6 June 2018,
Singapore

GFMA-ASIFMA Green Finance Conference 2018

PROGRAM (as of 18 April 2018)

Date: Tuesday-Wednesday, 5-6 June 2018

Location: Marina Mandarin Hotel Singapore (Leo & Capricorn Room, Level 1)

Day One: Growing Green

08:30-08:45 **Welcome Address**

- **Mark Austen, CEO, GFMA and ASIFMA**

08:45-09:00 **Keynote Address**

- [Singapore Government]

09:00-09:45 **Panel 1: The Case for Green Finance**

This panel will explore the opportunities of green finance, including how dedicated green issuance and investment can benefit infrastructure and other sectors to help countries meet their sustainable development goals.

- [UN agencies, Sustainable Finance Study Group, banks]

09:45-10:30 **Panel 2: The Regional Green Finance Market and Global Experiences**

This panel will discuss how to develop deep and cross-border markets for green finance in Asia, including how regional policymakers might leverage the work already done by the European Commission's High Level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance or the G20's Sustainable Finance Study Group.

- **Jeanne Stampe, Head Asia Sustainable Finance, Global Finance Practice Leadership Team, WWF**
- **Sean Kidney, Co-Founder and CEO, Climate Bonds Initiative**
- [TCFD/G20, EU HLEG, ASEAN CMF, NGOs, banks]

10:30-11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00-11:45 **Panel 3: Green Bond Issuer and Underwriter Interview - Sovereigns**

Representatives from [two issuing countries] and underwriting banks will discuss their experiences with issuing a green sovereign bond. The panel should demonstrate that sovereign green bond issuance can work for economies of all sizes or levels of development.

- [Possible countries: France, Fiji, Indonesia, Belgium, Hong Kong]

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- 11:45-12:30 **Panel 4: Green Bond Issuer and Underwriter Interview – Corporates**
Corporate green bond issuers [two issuers] and their underwriting banks will describe the process for corporate green bond issuance, including the drivers behind the decision to issue green-labelled bonds, investor demand, use of proceeds and reporting.
- **Trisha Taneja**, Head of Sustainable Bonds, Americas and APAC, **Sustainalytics** (*Moderator*)
 - [Issuers and underwriting banks]
- 12:30-13:30 **Lunch**
- 13:30-14:15 **Panel 5: Investor Panel: Building a Sustainable Portfolio**
Fund managers will discuss their motivations in building sustainable portfolios, including investor interest, expected performance of green financial instruments, and ties to broader fiduciary responsibility.
- **Jean-Marie Masse**, Global Head and Chief Investment Officer, **International Finance Corporation**
 - [UN PRI, asset managers, insurers, sovereign wealth funds]
- 14:15-15:00 **Panel 6: Green Lending, Securitization and Equity-type structures**
Speakers will discuss the rise of green finance beyond the bond market, such as the development of green lending principles, green equity and indices, and securitization.
- **Juliette Macresy**, Head of Greater China and South East Asia Markets, **Vigeo Eiris**
 - [Banks, MSCI, rating agencies, Philippines or Pakistan or Sri Lanka or Indonesia]
- 15:00-15:30 **Coffee Break**

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15:30-16:15 Panel 7: Public Policies and Incentives to Support Green Finance

This panel will consider policy measures from the public sector to support the development of green finance, such as prudential or fiduciary regulatory frameworks, grant schemes and tax incentives, and investments to ensure a steady pipeline of investable projects.

- **Nathalie Aufauvre**, Director General of Financial Stability & Market Operations, **Banque de France**; **Central Banks and Supervisors Network for Greening the Financial System**
- **Adam Cotter**, Head of Asia, **Official Monetary and Financial Institutions Forum (Moderator)**
- [Banks, regulators, central banks]

16:15-17:00 Panel 8: Greening the Belt and Road

Experts will examine how to emphasize the role of green finance as part of China's Belt and Road Initiative, building upon the opportunity of the ambitious infrastructure development project to focus on promoting sustainable development across the Asia-Pacific region.

- [ADB, rating agencies, banks]

17:00-17:10 Closing Remarks

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Day Two: Asia-Pacific Green Investment Catalyst Roundtables

08:30-08:45 Opening Remarks

- [UNFCCC, UNESCAP, GFMA/ASIFMA]

08:45-10:15 Roundtable 1: Debt Capital Markets Financing for Implementation of the Paris Agreement

Green Bond Thailand session offers an insight into Thai financial institutions plans towards green finance and their potential role in supporting neighboring countries move towards green. The session is an opportunity to hear from key local financial institutions, financial tool providers, Investors and policy makers about their strategies and planned structures to move towards green through capital markets.

Tentative participants list:

- Local Bank
- Investment Bank (ASEAN Coverage)
- Credit Guarantee Investment Facility
- IFC
- Local Rating Agency
- International Institutional Investors

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:15 Roundtable 2: Regional Banks Lending Facility

This session will provide a window into an innovative facility towards on-lending and filling the green financing gap in smaller markets. Adequate financial returns for participants is the key challenge. The session will therefore discuss all the elements in making this into a successful model: Central Bank tools, policy decision making, cross border loans provision, banks green unit structuring, second opinion providers, credit enhancement and other support instruments.

Tentative participants list:

- Local Central Bank
- Monetary Authority of Singapore
- Regional Bank
- Sustainalytics

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12:15-13:15 **Lunch**

13:15-14:15 **Roundtable 3: A new Green Lending Facility for Asia Pacific**
Challenges: FX hedging, tax considerations, capital controls, credit enhancement

Potential participants list:

- TLFF model
- TCX Fund
- GuarantCo
- Rating agencies
- Law firm

14:15-15:30 **Roundtable 4: The role of Asia-Pacific Green Bond standards**
Using ASEAN Bond standards as an example of regional standards

Potential participants list:

- Global standards: Climate Bond Initiative
- Regional standards: ACMF/ICMA
- Accredited Verifier

15:30-16:00 **Coffee Break**

16:00-17:15 **Roundtable 5: Impact and compliance monitoring of green bonds**
Why does it matter for investors?

Potential participants list:

- Investor: Compliance Officer, Asset Manager
- Issuer: Fiji Reserve Bank
- Accredited Verifier
- Implementation Partner: ESCAP

17:15-17:30 **Closing**
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