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08:00
Registration and morning coffee
08:45
Welcome remarks

Peter Cripps, Editor, **Environmental Finance**
Rhian-Mari Thomas, Chief Executive Officer, **Green Finance Institute**

09:00
KEYNOTE PANEL: The policy landscape for green finance

Reactions to the EU Commission's Sustainable Finance Action Plan
Will the taxonomy help combat greenwashing? Are the definitions adequate?
Brown definitions and the political fractures: what does it spell for the future of incorporating a brown taxonomy into legislation?
How is the Commission integrating TCFD and other frameworks? How will this benefit investment decisions?
Will the Sustainable Action Plan set the base for policy action in the real economy?
How can we attract investment into thematic areas?

Moderator:
Tonia Plakhotniuk, Sustainable Finance Lead, Policy, **AFME**
Panellists:
Laurent Clerc, Director of Studies and Risks' Analysis**, ACPR**
Nathan Fabian, Chief Responsible Investment Officer, **UN PRI**
Kirsty Hamilton, Associate Fellow, Low Carbon Finance, **Chatham House**
Ian Simm, Founder and Chief Executive, **Impax Asset Management**

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PANEL: Going beyond renewables – alternative sectors to invest in now and for the future

The sustainable revolution: what are the most interesting sectors of development?
Investor opportunities in agriculture and land use
Industrial processes and transport
The circular economy and energy efficiency
Cleantech and additional innovations of the future
Social impact investing
What are the trends in fundraising and deployment for innovative projects?

Moderator: **Patrick Sheehan**, Founder and Partner, **ETF Partners**

Panelists

Javier Echave, Chief Financial Officer, **Heathrow Airport**
Nathan Elstub, Chief Investment Officer, **Nesta**
Julie Hill, Chair, WRAPPavel Teremetsky, Associate Senior Director, Green Investments, **EBRD**

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LISTED EQUITIES STREAM

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PANEL: Unpicking the differences in investment strategies and use of data

How are asset managers incorporating ESG into their investment strategies?
How can better data collection fill gaps in knowledge?
What are the innovative ways that climate and ESG data is being used by financial markets?
Are green equities suitable for active management only?
Can ESG be part of factor investing?

Panellists:

Nico Fettes, Head of Climetrics, **CDP**
Lydia Fearn, Head of DC and Financial Well-being, **Redington**
Rory Sullivan, Co-founder and Director, **Chronos Sustainability**

PRIVATE EQUITY STREAM

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PANEL: Using ESG to identify risks and opportunities

- To what extent are ESG and SDGs criteria beneficial to identifying opportunities for value creation?
- How is the ESG lens being used by private equity to identify risks?
- How could ESG criteria hinder decisions?
- How will the EU Action Plan help PE and VC investors?
- How do investors navigate problematic supply chains for some of the materials supplying green and renewable technologies?

Moderator: **Toby Belsom**, Director, Investment Practices, **UN PRI**

Panellists:

Helena Fagraeus Lundström, Head of Via Summa, **Summa Equity**
Maggie Loo, Partner, **Bridges Fund Management**
Shami Nissan, Head of Responsible

Investment, **Actis**

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PANEL: Mobilising power – fund creation and shareholder engagement

- What can be done to mobilise the power of pension funds to invest in green equities?
- What is next step for shareholder resolutions? Are they winning enough support?
- Climate Action 100+ review: what has been achieved and what needs to happen next?
- Are such initiatives enough to achieve the Paris Agreement and deliver on the SDGs?
- What can be done to incentivise further action?
- How does this fit with the policy nexus?

Moderator: **Stephanie Pfeifer**, CEO, **Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change**

Panellists:

Fong Yee Chan, Senior Product Manager, Sustainable Investment, **FTSE Russell**
Adam Matthews,Director of Ethics & Engagement,**The Church of England Pensions Board**, Co-Chair, **Transition Pathway Initiative**
Andreas Stang, Head of ESG, **PFA**

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PANEL: Investible projects on the horizon

- What projects and sectors are PE investors finding most compelling?
- What are the future technological and green trends that will require investor support over the next 5-10 years?
- The private equity investment time horizon: is this matching up with the available green and sustainable investment opportunities?
- Long-term merchant risk pricing for renewables: how significant is it for PE?

Moderator: **Jim Totty**, Managing Partner, **Earth Capital**

Panellists:

Jonathan Maxwell, CEO and Founder, **SDCL**
Alex O'Cinneide, Founder and CEO, **Gore Street Capital**
Michael Hall, Head of ESG and Impact, **Development Partners International**

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PRESENTATION: Sustainability-linked indexes

- How best to invest in green indices?
- Trends and outlook for climate and environmental ETFs
- Adopting AI-based ESG data: how does it work?
- Can you have an adequately diversified green passive strategies or is there a risk of concentration of capital and green bubbles? How can this be mitigated against?
- How to integrate smart beta and ESG into passive strategies

Speaker:

Stuart Doole, Global Head of New Product Development Index Research, **MSCI**

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PANEL: The LP vs GP view on green investing

- How are LPs and GPs thinking about green investing?
- What is the demand for low carbon investments? Are LPs are asking for more low carbon investments from GPs?
- How differentiated are LPs and GPs approaches under the green umbrella?
- What are the different trends for venture capital, PE and infrastructure investing?
- What does that mean for the types of capital available and how it is being deployed?

Moderator: **Emmanuel Parmentier**, Partner, **INDEFI**

Panellists:

Keimpe Keuning, Executive Director, **LGT Capital Partners**

Jérôme Duthu-Bengtzon, Principal, Infrastructure and Real Assets Team**, Pantheon**
Therése Lennehag, Head of Sustainability, **EQT Partners**

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PANEL: Impact investing – how should investors approach it?

Best practices in assessing and demonstrating impact
How can you demonstrate to the investor base that impact investing is worth it?
How to understand and report on the social aspects that are interlinked with green and sustainable investing
Risk management: is it well understood?
Can impact investing break out of being largely private equity and into listed equites?
Moderator: **Peter Cripps, Editor, Environmental Finance**
Panellists:
Lisa Beauvilain, Head of Sustainability & ESG, Managing Director, **Impax Asset Management**
Sarika Goel, Responsible Investment, Manager Research**, Mercer**
Johanna Raynal, Director, ESG and Impact, **Swedfund**
Dirk-Jan Verzuu, Portfolio Manager, Global Impact Portfolio**, PGGM**

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PRESENTATION: Mitigating against risk and stranded assets

To what extent are environmental externalities appearing on balance sheets?
Which sectors are most vulnerable – both directly and indirectly?
Sector specific analysis of share price sustainability
Assessing physical risks: how investors and asset owners can analyse climate risk in within an equity portfolio
What analytical tools are being used to screen investments and decarbonise portfolios? How can scenario analysis help?
Speaker: **Christa Clapp**, Research Director, Climate Finance, **CICERO**

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CASE STUDY: Translating climate science into financial risk

What do investors need to know?
How best to use climate data and information to inform decisions
Managing long-term liabilities in the context of a changing climate
What can climate science tell us about future trends for the direction of industrials and manufacturing?
Building climate resilience: how can investors help?
Speaker: **Dr Richenda Connell**, Co-founder and Chief Technical Officer, **Acclimatise**

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CORPORATE VIEWPOINTS: supporting transition strategies for healthy shareholder values

What environmental externalities are corporates concerned by and how are they assessing risk?
How can impact funds help corporates transform business practices and supply chains and, in turn, ensure sustainable shareholder returns?
What do corporates require from such pools of capital?
How are customer facing corporates thinking about the sustainability desires of their customer?
How does this link back to transition strategies?
What support do corporates needs in order to adhere to disclosure and reporting requirements?
What needs to be in place for an investment fund to be interested in project driven investments?

Moderator: **Michael Hurley**, Staff Writer, **Environmental Finance**
Speakers:
Christian Didier, Nature & Sustainability Finance Director, **Danone**
Keyvan Macedo, Head of Climate Change & Environmental Impact, **Natura**

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PANEL: Pension fund perspective – mobilising drivers for change

How can pension funds can be drivers for change in a more coordinated way?
Asset allocation: how does this influence available funding flows into new investments?
What are the constraints when seeking specific impact/ESG/climate goals?
The changing profile of the pension fund: to what extent is it encroaching into areas typically funded by private equity? What does this mean for pools of capital and available opportunities?
Why aren't asset owners driving asset managers into more sustainable products as default?
How do ESG factors fit in with trustees' fiduciary duty?
Moderator: **Rhian-Mari Thomas,** Chief Executive Officer, **Green Finance Institute**
Panellists:
George Latham, Managing Partner, **WHEB Asset Management**
Peter Lööw, Head of Responsible Investments**, Alecta**
Michael Marshall, Director of Responsible Investment and Engagement, **LGPS Central**
Jacqueline van Voorthuizen, Portfolio Manager, **Balance Sheet Management, PGB**

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PANEL: Achieving a meaningful two-degree strategy for investors and asset owners

What does a two-degree strategy look like?
How is disclosure information understood and applied?
What are the approaches to allocations and re-allocations?

Which meaningful metrics inform decision making?
Best practices of asset owners and challenges in the near and long-term
Preparing for a variety of scenarios through an index approach

Moderator:

Rory Sullivan, Co-Founder and Director, **Chronos Sustainability**

Panellists:

Colin Baines, Investment Engagement Manager, **Friends Provident Foundation**
Thora Frost, Senior Client Manager, Green Finance, **Carbon Trust**
Marc Guyot, Head of ESG, **IBO France**
Adrian Rimmer, Senior Advisor, Green Finance, **London Stock Exchange Group**

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Close of conference and networking drinks reception

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