

# KangaNews Sustainable Debt Summit 2025

3 April The Hilton Sydney



#### 9.05am WELCOME TO COUNTRY

#### 9.10am PANEL DISCUSSION

#### Why should we continue to care about ESG?

- How to keep focus on sustainable finance amid political headwinds and ESG backlash.
- Net-zero momentum and policy at loggerheads: can both exist at once?
- · Have we come too far to slow ESG momentum?

#### **Panellists**

#### **Nathan Fabian**

Chief Sustainable Systems Officer

**UN Principles for Responsible Investment** 

#### **Kristy Graham**

Chief Executive

**Australian Sustainable Finance Institute** 

#### Mushtaq Kapasi

MD and Chief Representative, Asia Pacific International Capital Market Association

#### Moderator

#### **Cassandra Williams**

Sustainable Finance Lead

Climateworks Centre

#### 9.50am PANEL DISCUSSION

#### Financing adaptation and resilience

- The role of markets in protecting people, nature and prosperity.
- Adaptation and resilience investment in action.
- Directing capital to anticipate and cope with natural disasters.

#### **Panellists**

#### **Anne Flori**

Senior Funding Officer

**Council of Europe Development Bank** 

#### Rashmi John

Associate Director, APAC Head, Sustainable Fixed Income

Sustainalytics

#### Richard McKenzie

Head of ESG and Investor Relations

**Western Australian Treasury Corporation** 

#### **Kate Simmonds**

Senior Advisor, Physical Risk and Resilience Investor Group on Climate Change

#### Moderator

#### **Charlotte Plaisant Millecamps**

Head of Sustainable Finance

Westpac Institutional Bank

#### 10.30am BREAK

#### 11.10am FIRESIDE CHAT

#### Sustainable oceans and the blue economy

- Why the blue economy is not so separate from the real economy.
- The importance of ocean health beyond morning swims and colourful coral.
- Geopolitical implications of the ocean.

#### Interviewees

#### **Lucy Buxton**

Co-Founder, Director and Company Secretary

**Ocean Decade Australia** 

#### Jas Chambers

Chair and Co-Founder

Ocean Decade Australia

#### Interviewer

#### **Cameron Mitchell**

Head of Geopolitical Risk

ANZ

#### 11.35am FIRESIDE CHAT

#### Update on Australian taxonomy

- Update on the Australian sustainable finance taxonomy ahead of its mid-year release.
- Overview of the taxonomy's intended use and application.
- How the taxonomy will shape the sustainable finance market.

#### **Participants**

#### Nicole Yazbek-Martin

Head of Taxonomy and Natural Capital **Australian Sustainable Finance Institute** 

#### **Thomas Leonard**

Head of Section, Sustainability Services Supply Chain and Product Assurance **DNV** 

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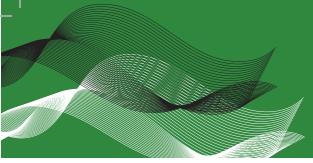












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#### 12.00pm Q&A

#### Europe's simplified taxonomy and its application

- Simplifying taxonomy to reduce administrative and reporting burdens: should Australia follow suit?
- Green-bond application and EU support for uptake of the Green Bond Standard.

#### Interviewee

#### Aldo Romani

Head of Sustainable Finance

**European Investment Bank** 

#### Interviewer

#### Stefano Vitali

European Head of Sustainable Finance

**RBC Capital Markets** 

#### **12.15pm LUNCH**

#### 1.15pm KEYNOTE

#### Where to next on climate change in Australia?

- Insights and priorities for emissions reduction.
- How Australia can seize its potential as a greenexport powerhouse.

#### **Matt Kean**

Chair

**Climate Change Authority** 

#### 1.40pm PANEL DISCUSSION

### Shifting dynamics in the search for sustainable liquidity

- Key drivers of labelled bonds for issuers and investors beyond pricing benefits.
- · Value of overall ESG credentials.
- Enhancing liquidity through sustainability signalling.

#### **Panellists**

#### **Brad Parry**

Head of Sustainable Finance

**Australian Office of Financial Management** 

#### Jean-Luc Petit

Executive Director, Funding and Markets **Queensland Treasury Corporation** 

#### Fiona Trigona

Executive General Manager and Group Treasurer **NBN Co** 

#### Marayka Ward

Director, Fixed Income Strategy

OIC

#### Moderator

Stefano Vitali

European Head of Sustainable Finance

**RBC Capital Markets** 

#### 2.20pm Q&A

### Catastrophe bonds and their role in pricing physical climate risk

- How catastrophe bonds work.
- The opportunity in investments that target natural event risk.
- Catastrophe bonds in Australia's growing superannuation pool.

#### Interviewees

#### **Tim Peters**

Senior Investor

**University of Sydney** 

#### **Michael Vine**

Director, Insurance Ratings

**S&P Global Ratings** 

#### Interviewer

#### **Louise Baker**

Senior Coverage, Domestic Banks and Insurance

**Westpac Institutional Bank** 

#### 2.50pm BREAK

#### 3.15pm FIRESIDE CHAT

#### **Navigating mandatory climate disclosures**

- Update from the AASB on the latest accounting standards.
- Advantages of integrating finance and sustainability strategy.
- Challenges with climate-related financial reporting

#### Interviewees

#### Sarah Barker

Managing Director

Pollination Law

#### **Angus Thomson**

**Technical Principal** 

**Australian Accounting Standards Board** 

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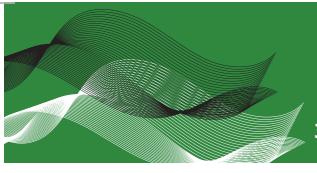












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Interviewer

**Louise McCoach** 

Partner

**Dentons** 

3.40pm PANEL DISCUSSION

Nature and supply chains

• Impacts and dependencies on nature.

 Risks and opportunities in the corporate supply chain.

**Panellists** 

Cassandra Austen

Director

**Pollination** 

**Matt Cohen** 

Associate Director, Debt Investments

**IFM Investors** 

**Annabel Davies** 

Chief Sustainability and Risk Officer

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Moderator

**Katharine Tapley** 

Head of Sustainable Finance

ANZ

4.20pm PANEL DISCUSSION

Investor reactions to shifting tone in sustainable

finance

• Response to negative noise on ESG.

 Are recent policy moves and events enough to alter portfolio construction?

 Will investors hold onto long-term views and will ESG momentum be maintained?

Panellists

**Murray Ackman** 

Senior ESG and Impact Analyst

**Pendal** 

**Pauline Chrystal** 

Portfolio and ESG Manager

**Kapstream Capital** 

**David Gallagher** 

Head of Australian Fixed Income

**Artesian Capital Management** 

Marayka Ward

Director, Fixed Income Strategy

QIC

Moderator

**Philip Harvey** 

Partner

**King & Wood Mallesons** 

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