



SPEAKER PROFILE

Bruce Dunn

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Bruce Dunn is the Head of ADB's Office of Safeguards. He assumed office on 12 February 2026. OSFG is responsible for the implementation of ADB's environmental and social safeguards, including the new Environmental and Social Framework, and supporting knowledge and capacity building for ADB staff, developing member countries and private sector clients. Bruce has more than 25 years of professional experience, including 15 years with ADB. In 2018, he assumed the role of Director, Safeguards Division, and concurrently served as Officer-in-Charge of ADB's Environment Thematic Group from 2019 to 2021. In these capacities, he played a pivotal role in overseeing ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement, ensuring compliance, providing guidance to management, and leading bank-wide knowledge initiatives. His professional experience has been focused on environmental impact assessment, environmental policy, biodiversity conservation, and natural resource management, working across Asia and the Pacific. Bruce led the development and rollout of ADB's new Environmental and Social Framework, which was approved in 2024 and became effective on 5 January 2026. The Framework was approved following 4 years of technical reviews and consultations with more than 4,500 stakeholders. Bruce holds bachelor's degrees in botany with first class honors from the University of Queensland and environmental science from Griffith University, Australia. He also studied business at the Queensland University of Technology.

