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2023

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# ABOUT THE SUMMIT

The University of Oxford has world-leading researchers and research capabilities in sustainable finance and investment. In 2023 we are hosting our second Oxford Sustainable Finance Summit, bringing together leading researchers from across the University with practitioners, policymakers, regulators and civil society organisations to examine and reflect on the latest developments in sustainable finance.

## Topics

- **Adaption and resilience**
- **ASEAN spotlight**
- **Biodiversity**
- **Collective Intelligence**
- **Enforcement and greenwashing**
- **Environmental Stress Testing**
- **Index design**
- **Legal innovations**
- **Net Zero Aligned Offsetting**
- **Stewardship and Engagement**
- **Transition plans**
- **Water Security**



# WELCOME

Dear Participant,

Welcome to the second Oxford Sustainable Finance Summit!

Sustainable finance has faced many challenges over the last year. While we have seen trillions of dollars of private sector capital being committed to net zero by 2050, growing pushback against net zero targets and the adoption of ESG practices has dominated much of the debate since.

Our Summit, bringing together leading researchers with practitioners, policymakers, regulators, and civil society organisations gives us an opportunity to examine and reflect on the latest developments and co-create solutions on a wide range of fronts, from biodiversity and nature to adaptation and resilience.

It also gives us an opportunity to have open conversations about what we need to improve on as a community of both research and practice.

One such area is academic freedom and free inquiry. We are lucky to benefit from productive research partnerships with some of the world's best financial institutions, but I am becoming more aware of instances where organisations, including financial institutions and ESG data providers, have sought to undermine academic freedom in sustainable finance and ESG. They have done this by, among other things, trying to change the results of research before publication, or sought to prevent it from being published at all. Harassment and intimidation, including through the threat of legal action and the withdrawal of funding, has been used to bully individual researchers.

WE CONTINUE TO STRIVE FOR DIVERSITY, IN ALL OF ITS SENSES. AS WE LOOK AHEAD TO THE 2024 SUMMIT, WE WOULD REALLY VALUE SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE SPEAKERS AND PARTICIPANTS THAT COME FROM UNDER-REPRESENTED GROUPS.

This is clearly unacceptable and I recently called out some of these things in a recent article in *The Financial Times*.

There are many more financial institutions and data providers collaborating productively in the spirit of free inquiry with academics than those trying to inhibit academic freedom. But if this conduct becomes more widespread, it will harm research quality and deter researchers from working on sustainable finance. Fortunately, it is an entirely fixable challenge and our community must play an important role in having an open conversation about the extent of the problem, its causes, and the potential solutions.

Do reflect on this challenge and if you are a researcher experiencing harassment and intimidation at the hands of unscrupulous organisations, we will have your back. Feel free to contact me for a confidential conversation.

My other call to action is to help us continually enhance diversity at the Summit. We continue to strive for diversity, in all of its senses, across our sessions. At the time of writing it looks like we'll be at a 50:50 gender balance for speakers and chairs. This is a slight improvement on last year, but there is always more to be done. Unfortunately we continue to perform much less well on other forms of diversity, particularly ethnic, cultural, and cognitive diversity.

As we look ahead to the 2024 summit, we would really value suggestions for future speakers and participants that come from under-represented groups. Please do reach out to me or colleagues with ideas or, even better, with introductions.

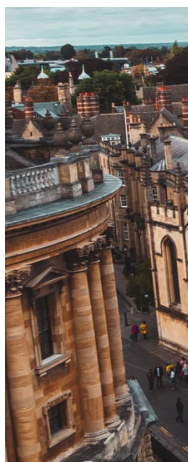
Finally, the Summit programme has been designed closely with my colleagues across Oxford. The sessions are all on topics where we are doing significant work here at the University and I hope you'll get that sense from the panels and discussion.

We are delighted to host you for what we hope will be two very special days. Use the time together to critically engage with emerging theory and practice; catch up with old friends and make new ones; and have some fun in lovely surroundings. Enjoy!

*Yours sincerely,*




**Dr Ben Caldecott**  
**Director, Oxford Sustainable Finance Group and the Lombard Odier Associate Professor of Sustainable Finance, University of Oxford**



# LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

## How to get to Examination Schools



### Train

Oxford railway station is approximately a 20 minute walk away or 10 minutes by taxi. Bikes can be hired at the train station or around the city.



### Bus

The nearest bus stop and airport bus stops are on the High Street just outside the Examination Schools (Queen's Lane stop). Information about buses in the city can be found [here](#).



### Car

There is no car parking on site so we recommend using the park and ride system. Alternatively car parks are available across the city. The nearest one is St Clements.

Access into the venue is via the main entrance on the High Street via double doors that lead directly into the Great Hall and then on to all the rooms in the building. This entrance can be accessed via three small steps



### Guest WIFI

Username: ExSchWifi

No password required



### Dress Code

The dress code for the summit including the drinks reception and dinners is business attire.



### Covid-19

We are following the University of Oxford's Covid-19 guidance and currently there are no restrictions in place. However, it is still important for us all to continue being considerate and to take steps to minimise the risk of infection. All guests are welcome to wear masks throughout the summit and all indoor spaces will be well ventilated.



### Registration times

19 July from 08:30 and on Thursday 20 July from 08:00

### Oxford Taxi services



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# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY 19TH JULY

DAY 1

09:30 – 10:30

## ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION

The Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG

10:30 – 10:45

## WELCOME ADDRESS

South School

**Dr Ben Caldecott**, Director, Oxford Sustainable Finance Group and the Lombard Odier Associate Professor of Sustainable Finance, University of Oxford

10:45 – 12:15

## OPENING PANEL DISCUSSION

### Sustainable Finance 2025: A look ahead

South School

**Chair: Sophie Robinson-Tillett**, Senior Associate, P3S Academy, University of Oxford

**Richard Barker**, Member, International Sustainability Standards Board

**Yulanda Chung**, Head of Sustainability, DBS Bank

**Robert G. Eccles**, Visiting Professor of Management Practice, Saïd Business School, University of Oxford

**Nathan Fabian**, Chief Responsibility Investment Officer, UN PRI

**Anne Simpson**, Global Head of Sustainability, Franklin Templeton

12:15 – 13:00

## OPENING KEYNOTE

South School

**Sabine Mauderer**, Member of the Executive Board of the Deutsche Bundesbank

13:00 – 14:30

## LUNCH

North School

14:30 – 16:00

## SESSION I

### Enforcement and greenwashing: is enforcement changing the practice of sustainable finance and what are the longer term implications?

South School

**Chair: Sarah Barker**, Partner, Head of Climate & Sustainability Risk, Minter Ellison

**Desiree Fixler**, Chief Content Officer, Attain

**Catriona Glascott**, Lawyer, ClientEarth

**Tina Mavraki**, Fellow, Chapter Zero

**Tim Rowe**, Manager, Sustainable Finance, Financial Conduct Authority

## SESSION II

### Achieving the aims of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework: What role for finance?

East School

**Chair: Robin Millington**, Chief Executive Officer, Planet Tracker

**Johan Florén**, Chief ESG and Communication Officer, AP7, and member of TNFD

**Jenni Ramos**, Lawyer – Corporate/Finance and Biodiversity, Commonwealth Climate and Law Initiative

**Jessica Smith**, Nature Lead, UNEP Finance Initiative, UN

**Keith Tuffley**, Vice Chairman and Global Co-Head, Sustainability & Corporate Transitions, Citibank

## WEDNESDAY 19TH JULY *CONTINUED*

16:00 – 16:30

**TEA/COFFEE BREAK**  
North School

16:30 – 18:00

**SESSION III**  
**Net zero aligned offsetting:  
where do we need to get to  
and how do we get there?**  
South School

**Chair: Simon Mundy**, Moral Money  
Editor, *Financial Times*

**Scarlett Benson**, Beyond Value  
Chain Mitigation Lead, Food and Land  
Use Coalition

**Professor Rachel Kyte**, Dean  
Emerita, The Fletcher School at Tufts  
University, Co-Chair, Voluntary Carbon  
Markets Integrity Initiative

**William McDonnell**, Chief Operating  
Officer, Integrity Council for the  
Voluntary Carbon Market

**Genevieve Soh**, Head of Platforms  
and Ecosystem, Climate Impact X

**Vikram Widge**, Senior Advisor,  
Climate Policy Initiative

**SESSION IV**

**Spotlight on ASEAN: SE Asia  
as a driver of innovation  
in sustainable finance and  
investment**  
East School

**Chair: Darian McBain**, Senior Associate,  
Public and Third Sector Academy for  
Sustainable Finance (P3SA), University  
of Oxford.

**Eric Lim**, Chief Sustainability Officer, UOB

**Madelena Mohamed**, Director of  
Sustainability Unit, Bank Negara Malaysia

**Swisa Pongpech**, Head of Research  
Group, Puey Ungphakorn Institute for  
Economic Research, Bank of Thailand

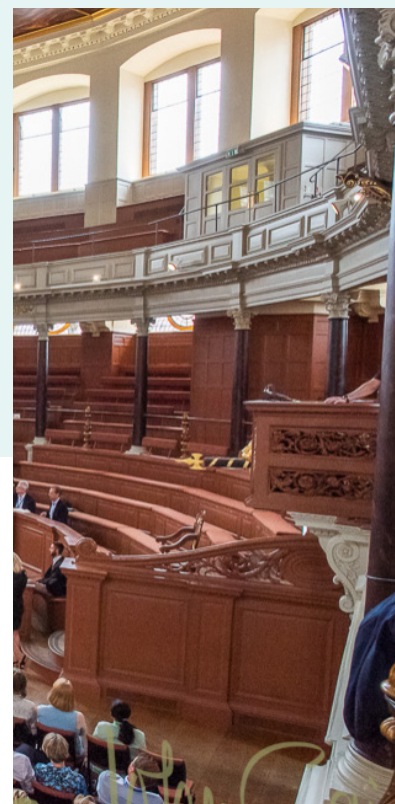
**Jenn Hui Tan**, Global Head of  
Stewardship and Sustainable Investing,  
Fidelity International

18:00 – 18:30

**BREAK**

18:30 – 22:00

**RECEPTION AND DINNER**  
Divinity School





# DAY 2

THURSDAY 20TH JULY

08:30 – 09:00

TEA/COFFEE

North School

09:00 – 10:15

SESSION V

**Achieving Water Security**  
South School

**Chair: Dr Alex Money**, Programme Director, University of Oxford

**Cate Lamb**, Global Director, Water Security, CDP

**Scott McCreedy**, Chief Strategy Officer, Alliance for Water Stewardship

**Rhys Owen**, Research Director, BlueTech Research

**Luke Sussams**, Head of EMEA ESG and Sustainable Finance, Jefferies

**Dr Jennifer Willetts**, Head of Sustainability Data and Research - Global, Franklin Templeton

SESSION VI

**Future of stewardship and engagement: Has Exxon/EngineNo1 changed anything two years later?**  
East School

East School

**Chair: Professor Rob Bauer**, Professor of Finance, Maastricht University

**Laura Hillis**, Director, Climate and Environment (Responsible Investment) Church of England Pension Board

**Catherine Howarth**, Chief Executive Officer, ShareAction

**Geraldine Leegwater**, Chief Investment Management, PGGM

**Lindsey Stewart**, Director of Investment Stewardship Research, Morningstar

10:15 – 10:45

TEA/COFFEE

North School

10:45 – 12:15

SESSION VII

**Transition plans: emerging best practices and regulatory developments**  
South School

South School

**Chair: Alastair Marsh**, Journalist, Bloomberg News

**Karen Ellis**, Chief Economist, WWF UK

**Mark Manning**, Strategic Policy Advisor, Sustainable Finance, FCA

**Carine Smith Inhenacho**, Chief Governance and Compliance Officer, Norges Bank Investment Management

SESSION VIII

**Environmental Stress Testing: novel developments and case studies**  
East School

East School

**Chair: Gireesh Shrimali**, Head of Transition Finance Research, Oxford Sustainable Finance Group, University of Oxford

**Julja Prodani**, Senior Policy Advisor, Financial Stability, De Nederlandsche Bank

**Martijn Regelink**, Senior Financial Economist, World Bank

**Billy Suid**, Head of Climate Risk, Barclays

12:15 – 13:30

LUNCH

North School

## THURSDAY 20TH JULY *CONTINUED*

13:30 – 14:45

### SESSION IX

**Empowering private markets and adaptation: The role of infrastructure finance and private equity in enhancing resilience**

#### South School

**Chair: Toby Mitchenall**, Senior Editor, ESG and Sustainability, PEI - Alternative Insights

**Peter Dunbar**, Head of Private Equity, PRI

**Desiree Fixler**, Chief Content Officer, Attain

**Dr Ben Meng**, Executive Vice President and Chairman of Asia Pacific, Executive Sponsor of Sustainability, Franklin Templeton

**Dr Alex Money**, Programme Director, University of Oxford

### SESSION X

**Collective intelligence: can we marshal the wisdom of the crowd to improve sustainable finance analytics?**

#### East School

**Chair: Lise Pretorius**, Chief Sustainability Analysis Officer, Matter

**Ray Dhirani**, Head of Impact Management, Tribe Impact Capital

**Nikki Gwilliam-Beeharee**, Investor Engagement Strategic Lead, World Benchmarking Alliance

**Felix Preston**, Director - Research & Programs, Climate Arc

**Jo Raven**, Director of Thematic Research & Corporate Innovation, FAIRR

14:45 – 15:15

### TEA/COFFEE BREAK

#### North School

15:15 – 16:30

### SESSION XI

**Legal innovations: what key legal strategies are being deployed to further sustainable finance?**

#### South School

**Chair: Lucy Fitzgeorge-Parker**, Editor, Responsible Investor

**Sarah Barker**, Partner, Head of Climate & Sustainability Risk Governance, Minter Ellison

**Matthew Gingell**, General Counsel, The Chancery Lane Project

**Vanessa Havard-Williams**, Partner and Head of Environment and Climate Change, Linklaters

### SESSION XII

**Index design and unintended consequences: can we create indices that don't result in paper decarbonisation?**

#### East School

**Chair: Sophie Robinson-Tillett**, Senior Associate, P3S Academy, University of Oxford

**Lee Clements**, Head of Applied Sustainable Investment Research, FTSE Russell

**Craig McKenzie**, Head of Sustainability, Multi-Asset & Investment Solutions, Abrdn

**Dr Ellen Quigley**, Advisor to the Chief Financial Officer, Responsible Investments, University of Cambridge

**Dr Jakob Thomä**, Project Director, Inevitable Policy Response

## THURSDAY 20TH JULY *CONTINUED*

16:30 – 17:00

### BREAK

Transfer to The Sheldonian Theatre

17:00 – 17:30

### Insight Investment – University of Oxford Prize for Greening Finance

The Sheldonian

17:30 – 19:00

### Closing Debate

**Motion: This House believes that 1.5 degrees is alive in part thanks to the efforts of the finance sector**

The Sheldonian

**Chair: Robert G. Eccles**, Visiting Professor of Management Practice,  
Saïd Business School, University of Oxford

#### Proposition:

**Nathan Fabian**, Chief  
Responsibility Investment Officer,  
UN PRI

**Konstantina (Tina) Mavraki**,  
Portfolio Director & Strategic  
Adviser, Ingenious

**Dr Jakob Thomä**, Project Director,  
Inevitable Policy Response

#### Opposition:

**Dr Ulf Erlandsson**, Founder and CEO,  
Anthropocene Fixed Income Institute

**Dr Darian McBain**, Senior Associate,  
Public and Third Sector Academy for  
Sustainable Finance (P3SA), University  
of Oxford

**Dr Ellen Quigley**, Advisor to the  
Chief Financial Officer, Responsible  
Investments, University of Cambridge

19:00 – 19:30

### BREAK

19:30 – 22:30

### DINNER

Ashmolean Museum

22:30 – until late

### CONFERENCE AFTER-PARTY

Freud Oxford



# SUMMIT VENUES

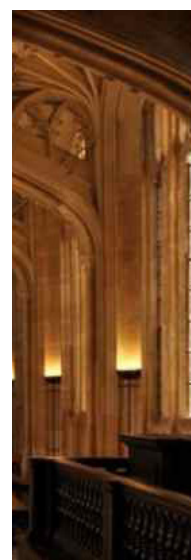
EXPERIENCE OXFORD'S INSPIRING BUILDINGS AT THE OXFORD SUSTAINABLE FINANCE SUMMIT 2023.



## THE EXAMINATION SCHOOL

**Main conference venue on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th July 2023.**

Built between 1876 and 1882 and designed by Sir Thomas Jackson, this historical Grade II listed venue was created to house the University of Oxford's examinations. Situated in the heart of Oxford, it is easily accessible via a range of public transport methods and is within easy walking distance of many of Oxford's landmarks.

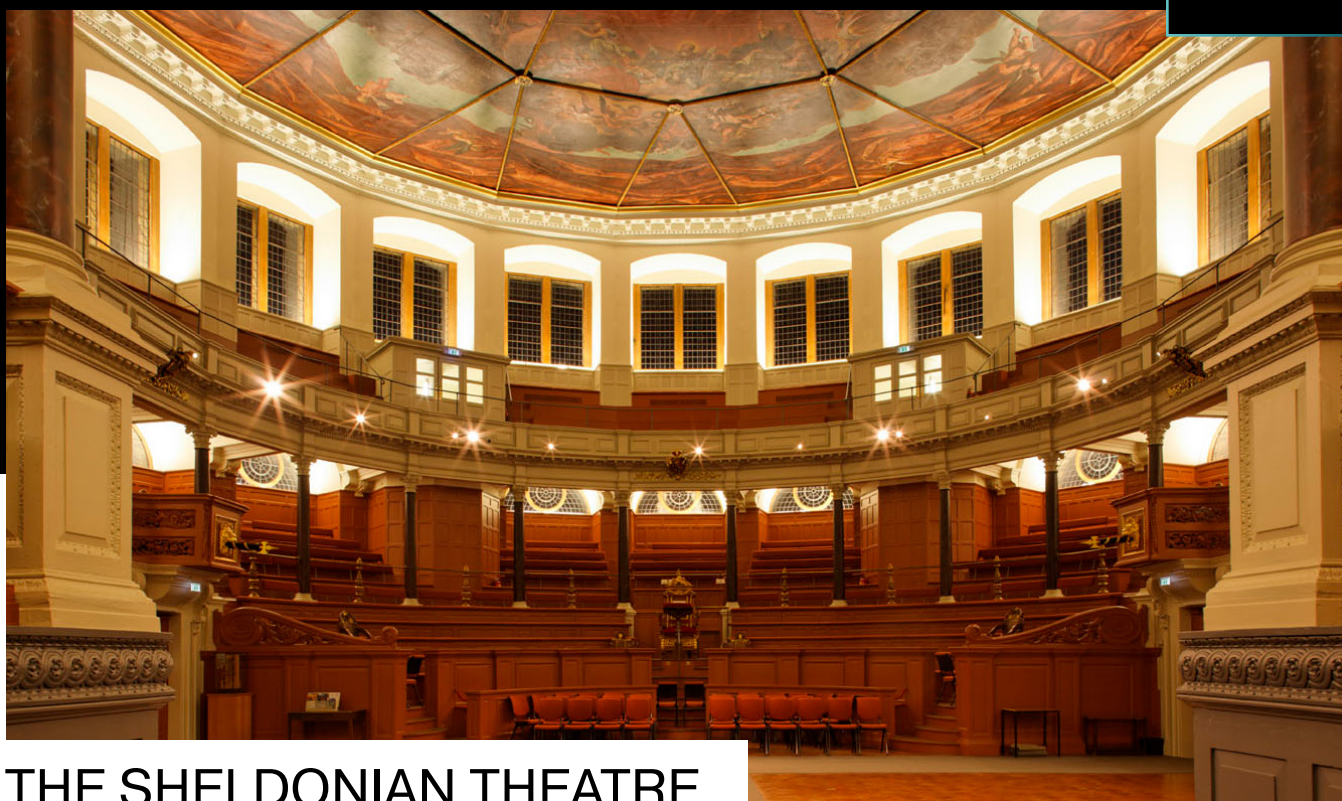


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1427 AND 1483,  
IT IS THE OLDEST  
SURVIVING  
PURPOSE-BUILT  
BUILDING FOR  
UNIVERSITY USE**

## THE DIVINITY SCHOOL

**Drinks Reception and Dinner on Wednesday 19th July 2023.**

Dinner on 20th July will be held at the beautiful Divinity School. Built between 1427 and 1483, it is the oldest surviving purpose-built building for university use, specifically for lectures, oral exams, and discussions. Today the School is used before graduation ceremonies and for other important university events.



## THE SHELDONIAN THEATRE

**Closing debate on Thursday 20th July 2023.**

Designed by Sir Christopher Wren and completed in 1669, the Sheldonian is the ceremonial heart of the University of Oxford.



**THE ASHMOLEAN  
IS THE OLDEST  
MUSEUM IN  
THE UNITED  
KINGDOM**



## THE ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM

**Reception and dinner on Thursday 20th July 2023.**

The Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology in Oxford was established in 1683. The Ashmolean is the oldest museum in the United Kingdom and houses the University's collections of art and antiquities.



## FREUD OXFORD

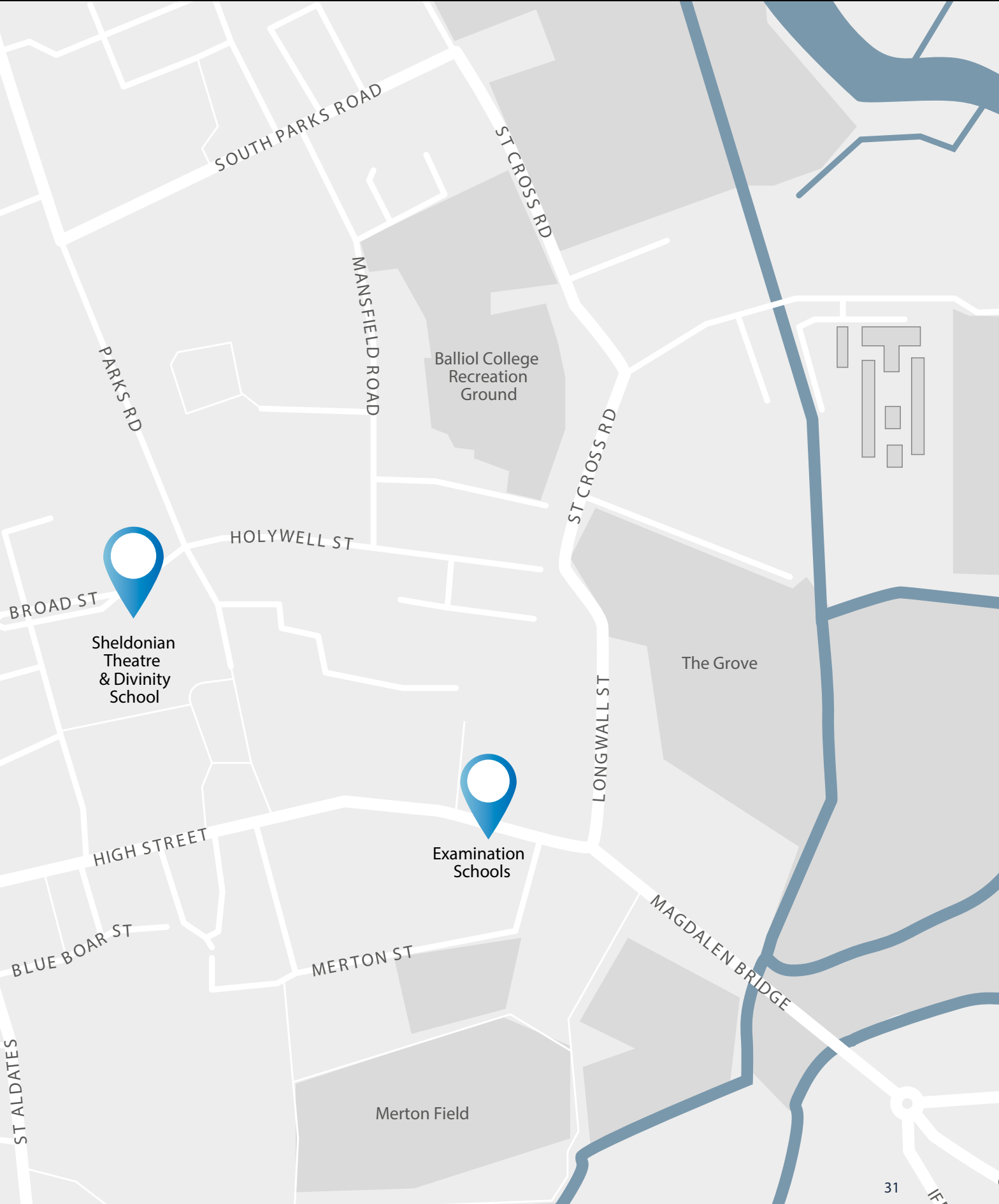
### **After party on Thursday 20th July 2023.**

Saint Paul's, a majestic old church located on Walton Street in historic Jericho, has been a beloved gathering place for over 30 years. In 1988, it was transformed into FREUD, bringing the legendary cocktails of its London sister café to Oxford. With its hauntingly high ceilings and decadent stained glass, Saint Paul's offers a unique and memorable atmosphere that has attracted friends, families, and generations of university students alike.



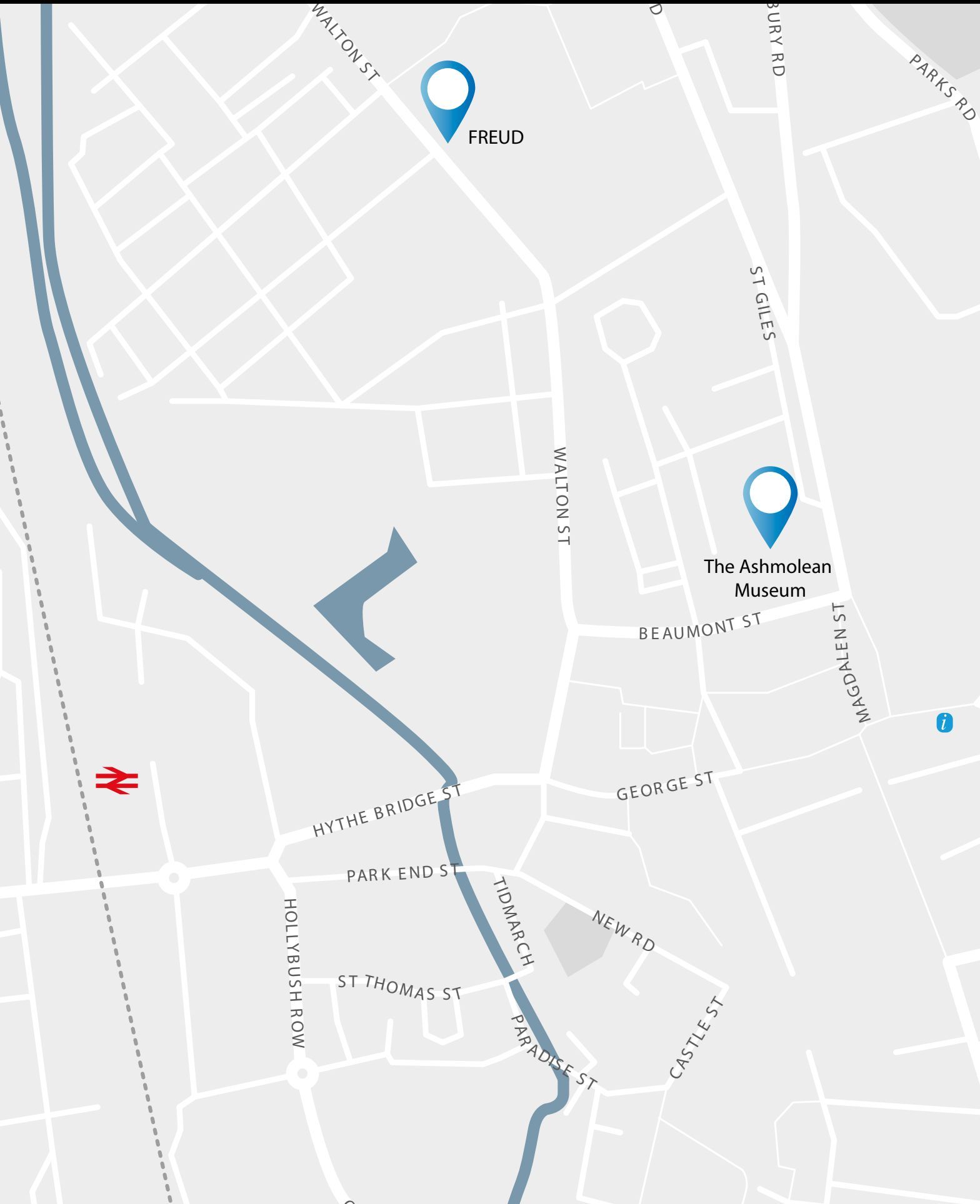
# SUMMIT VENUES

SHELDONIAN THEATRE, DIVINITY SCHOOL AND EXAMINATION SCHOOLS



# SUMMIT VENUES

FREUD OXFORD  
ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM

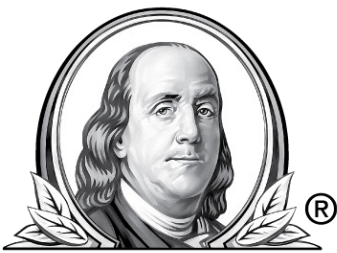




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# SPEAKERS



## ALASTAIR MARSH

**Journalist, Bloomberg News**

Alastair Marsh covers ESG and climate finance for Bloomberg News with a focus on the net zero journeys of major banks and investment firms, finance flows for the energy transition and the development of carbon markets. He previously reported on cryptocurrencies and credit markets. Marsh joined Bloomberg in 2012 from a Financial Times publication focused on emerging markets.



## ALEX MONEY

**Programme Director, Oxford Smith School**

Alex is a Programme Director at the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment, and concurrently CEO of Oxford Earth Observation, an early stage company focused on evaluating water risk. A former fund manager, Alex has nearly 30 years of experience across industry, academia and enterprise. He holds masters and doctoral degrees in water from the University of Oxford.



## ANNE SIMPSON

**Global Head of Sustainability, Franklin Templeton**

Anne Simpson is Global Head of Sustainability for Franklin Templeton, reporting to the President and CEO. In this newly created role, Ms. Simpson is responsible for driving the company's strategic direction on stewardship, sustainability and ESG investment strategy globally, while fostering best practices within the firm's autonomous specialist investment managers. She serves as the firm's primary spokesperson on matters related to sustainability and participates in industry engagement initiatives and advocacy activities with policy makers and regulators.

Ms. Simpson joined Franklin Templeton in 2022, bringing 35 years of sustainable investment and academic expertise as well as extensive experience in the international regulatory and policy arena. She is a Visiting Fellow at Oxford University appointed by the Chancellor and teaches at University of California, Berkeley Haas Business School as a Lecturer in Sustainable and Impact Finance. In addition, Ms. Simpson is an advisory council member for the Official Monetary Financial Institutions Forum, a board member at Ceres, serves on the Leadership Council for the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights and on the steering committee of Climate Action 100+. She has previously served on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Investor Advisory Committee, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Boards Investor Advisory Group and the International Financial Reporting Standards Advisory Council.

Prior to joining Franklin Templeton, Ms. Simpson was with the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS), one of the largest asset owners in the world, where she served as Managing Investment Director for Board Governance & Sustainability, leading the development and execution of CalPERS' award-winning Sustainable Investment Strategy across a global portfolio of US\$500 billion with 80% assets internally managed. At CalPERS, Ms. Simpson served as a member of its Investment Management Committee, which determines asset liability management, capital allocation, risk management and operations across global public equity, fixed income, private equity, private credit, real assets and infrastructure. In addition, she served as the inaugural Chair of Climate Action 100+ and its Asia Advisory Group, a global investor alliance of \$60 trillion which CalPERS convened and co-founded. Ms. Simpson also led the CalPERS investment office diversity, equity and inclusion business initiative, including the founding of 3D (Diverse Director DataSource). Prior to joining CalPERS, Ms. Simpson was a Senior Faculty Fellow and Lecturer at the Yale School of Management, Head of the Global Corporate Governance Forum at the World Bank, Executive Director of the International Corporate Governance Network and Joint Managing Director of Pensions and Investment Research Consultants (PIRC) Ltd.

In 2019, Time Magazine named Ms. Simpson as one of the 15 women leading the global fight on climate change. In 2020, she was named one of the 100 Most Influential Women in US Finance by Barron's. For 11 consecutive years from 2010-21, she has been ranked by the National Association of Corporate Directors as one of the year's 100 most influential people in the boardroom. Simpson has published several books in the field, including, most recently, "The Financial Ecosystem: The Role of Finance in Achieving Sustainability" with Satyajit Bose and Dong Guo of Columbia University (Palgrave MacMillan), and "Fair Shares: The Future of Shareholder Power and Responsibility" with Jonathan Charkham (Oxford University Press).

She graduated from Oxford University in the United Kingdom, where she studied Politics, Philosophy and Economics, received bachelor's and master's degrees and was a Slater Fellow at Wellesley College, Massachusetts.



### **BEN CALDECOTT**

**Director, Oxford Sustainable Finance Group and the Lombard Odier Associate Professor of Sustainable Finance, University of Oxford**

Dr Ben Caldecott is the founding Director of the Oxford Sustainable Finance Group at the University of Oxford Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment. At the University of Oxford, he is the inaugural Lombard Odier Associate Professor and Senior Research Fellow of Sustainable Finance, the first ever endowed professorship of sustainable finance, and a Supernumerary Fellow at Oriel College, Oxford. Ben is also the founding Director and Principal Investigator of the UK Centre for Greening Finance & Investment (CGFI), established by UK Research and Innovation in 2021 as the national centre to accelerate the adoption and use of climate and environmental data and analytics by financial institutions internationally.

Ben specialises in environment, energy, and sustainability issues and works at the intersection between finance, public policy, and academe, having held senior roles in each domain. He has authored and edited a substantial number of publications related to sustainability and is an experienced media commentator and public speaker. His expertise and expert evidence have been recognised in high profile legal cases, including in the Federal Court of Australia and the High Court of England and Wales. He is a regular peer reviewer and has a number of trustee, board, and advisory panel appointments, including serving on the UK Climate Change Committee's Adaptation Committee, DBS Bank's Board Sustainability Committee, UK Export Finance's Export Guarantees Advisory Council, and as a Trustee of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB).

### **BEN MENG**

**Executive Vice President and Chairman of Asia Pacific, Executive Sponsor of Sustainability**

Ben Meng is executive vice president, chairman of Asia Pacific, head of Global Private Equity and the executive sponsor of Sustainability for Franklin Templeton. Dr. Meng is responsible for expanding the firm's investment offerings and client reach in the Asia Pacific region, with a particular focus on leading the private equity, venture capital and other alternative asset investment capabilities.

He leads Franklin Templeton's China business, including the firm's joint ventures and Wholly Foreign Owned Enterprise. Additionally, Dr. Meng leads the Franklin Templeton Global Private Equity group and supports efforts to expand the reach of the firm's tailored solutions for the firm's institutional clients globally. Dr. Meng reports to the CEO and is a member of Franklin Templeton's Executive Committee, a small group of the company's top leaders responsible for shaping the firm's overall strategy.

Dr. Meng has more than two decades of experience working in the global finance industry across three continents, including extensive experience in Asia Pacific, as well as a strong track record for delivering results across a broad range of asset classes. He has served in top investment roles at two of the largest asset owners in the world. Previously, Dr. Meng was Chief Investment Officer for the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) and Deputy Chief Investment Officer at the State Administration of Foreign Exchange (SAFE). Most recently, he served as Director of Eight Sequoias LLC, an independent firm providing consulting services to the financial industry.



He is currently a member of the ESG Advisory Council of Novata, a company that empowers the collection, analysis, benchmarking and reporting of ESG data in private markets, as well as the Customer Advisory Council of PortageBay, an AI ESG solution that provides evidence-based sustainability analytics.

Dr. Meng holds a Master of Financial Engineering degree from the Haas School of Business at the University of California at Berkeley and a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of California at Davis. He serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Investment Management and frequently teaches at top business schools globally such as the Haas School of Business, where he received the 2014 Cheit Award of Excellence in Teaching. He is the Citi Visiting Chair in International Business at the Schwarzman College. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Committee of 100.



### **BILLY SUID**

#### **Head of Climate Risk, Barclays**

Billy is Head of Climate Risk for Barclays, a function created in 2020 to support Barclays' ambition to become a net zero bank by 2050, helping to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon economy. He chairs the Transition to Net Zero working of the Bank of England Climate Financial Risk Forum.

Billy is responsible for developing Barclays' climate risk methodologies and managing climate risk in the bank's portfolio. He has led the development of BlueTrack™, Barclays' methodology for measuring financed carbon emissions and tracking them at a portfolio level against the goals of the Paris Agreement and the development of Barclays' methodology to assess the risk of the low carbon transition on its corporate lending portfolio. He also sits on the investment committee of Barclays' £500m Sustainable Impact Capital, which invests in environmentally-focused early-stage companies.

Prior to his current role, Billy was Head of Capital and Leverage Management at Barclays, responsible for managing the bank's capital position. He has had a long-standing interest in environmental issues, and led the launch of the Barclays Green Bond issuance programme in 2017, a first amongst UK banks. Since joining Barclays in 2005, Billy has held a number of roles in Markets, Portfolio Management and in the Treasury function, initially as Head of Securitisation and Asset Backed issuance. He started his career at JPMorgan, is a CFA Charterholder and graduated from ESSEC Business School in Paris.



### **CARINE SMITH IHENACHO**

#### **Chief Governance and Compliance Officer**

Carine Smith Ihenacho is responsible for the governance and compliance area, which includes ownership and responsible investment activities, control and operational risk, compliance and legal services.

Carine Smith Ihenacho was appointed Chief Governance and Compliance Officer 6 October 2020. She joined Norges Bank Investment Management in August 2017 as Global Head of Ownership Strategies and was promoted to Chief Corporate Governance Officer on 1 January 2018.

Prior to joining Norges Bank Investment Management, Ms Ihenacho was Vice President Legal and Chief Compliance Officer in Statoil ASA. She has more than 20 years' experience as a lawyer, working in both financials and the oil and gas industry, as well as in law firms. She also has extensive board experience.

Ihenacho holds a law degree from the University of Oslo, a Master of Law from Harvard Law School and a Master of Economics from the Norwegian School of Economics (NHH).



### **CATE LAMB**

#### **Global Director, Water Security**

During her tenure as Global Director, Water Security at CDP, Cate has built the world's largest coalition of non-state actors working to deliver a water secure future. Today, 680 financial institutions controlling \$130trillion in assets use Cates program to gather water-related data from over 7,000 of the world's most impactful companies. The data disclosed provides unique insights into the water-related risks, opportunities and impacts these companies have both today and into the future. This data is a public good and it, alongside the annual corporate water action benchmarks, are distributed throughout the economy to incentivise action and enable better decisions that drive the reallocation of capital towards those businesses valuing water and away from those that don't.

Recently, Cate has spearheaded CDP's work to accelerate the transition to a sustainable economy through her work to increase the water-related transparency and associated due diligence throughout private finance. Having developed the world's first portfolio water impacts reporting framework aimed at banks, asset managers, asset owners and insurance companies, she is now leading the development of a Water Action Pathway for Finance alongside OECD, WFN and UNEP FI.

In addition to her time at CDP, Cate is also a strategic advisor to the UNFCCCC's High Level Climate Champions, the Co-Chair of the Science Based Target Network Council, a knowledge partner of the TNFD, a founder of the Fair Water Footprints Coalition and one of Thompson Reuters 2023 Trailblazing Women working on Climate.



### **CATHERINE HOWARTH OBE**

#### **Chief Executive, ShareAction**

Catherine Howarth OBE joined ShareAction as Chief Executive in 2008. ShareAction's mission is to define the highest standards of responsible investment and to promote those standards across the world. Working closely with investors in many jurisdictions, ShareAction drives accelerated action by listed companies on climate change, loss of biodiversity, workforce practices and public health.

Catherine was recognised by the World Economic Forum as a Young Global Leader in 2014 and in 2022 was awarded an OBE for 'services to sustainability'. She was appointed in late 2023 to the FCA's advisory committee on ESG. She is a member of the HM Treasury's asset management taskforce, where she co-chaired a programme of work on investor stewardship in 2020. From 2015 to 2022, she served on the board and investment committee of the Scott Trust, owner of The Guardian Media Group.



### **CATRIONA GLASCOTT**

#### **Lawyer, Accountable Finance, ClientEarth**

Catriona is part of ClientEarth's Accountable Finance team, working on a broad range of legal strategies and interventions to push for a more sustainable financial system. Catriona focuses on the bond market, to push for better integration of climate-related risk in investment decision-making and to drive greater ambition and accountability as debt instruments evolve.

Before joining ClientEarth, Catriona had over eight years experience as a Financial Services lawyer, including four years at a leading London law firm and four years in Enforcement at the Financial Conduct Authority. She is also on the BBC Expert Women programme and has worked in the UK Houses of Parliament and US Congress.



**CRAIG MCKENZIE**

**Head of Sustainability, Multi-Asset & Investment Solutions, Abrdn**

Investor focused on driving capital for climate mitigation and natural capital impact. Previously head of sustainable investing teams at three asset management firms; board of IIGCC, UKSIF; advisory committees FTSE Russell, GRI, PRI.

Also, Senior Lecturer, University of Edinburgh Business School and founder director of Centre for Business Climate Change and Sustainability.



**DARIAN MCBAIN**

**Senior Associate, Public and Third Sector Academy for Sustainable Finance (P3SA), University of Oxford**

Darian McBain is a globally experienced Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO), advisor and board member. She was named a UN SDG Pioneer in 2021, a Fast Company Most Creative People in Business 2020, as one of Asia’s Top Sustainability Superwomen in 2020 as well as many other industry awards.

Darian is the CEO and Founder of Outsourced Chief Sustainability Officer Asia (OCSO Asia). Darian was the inaugural Chief Sustainability Officer for the Monetary Authority of Singapore and the first CSO for a central bank globally. Prior to this, she was the Global Director of Corporate Affairs & Sustainability for Thai Union, a multi-billion dollar listed FMCG company operating globally and headquartered in Asia. Darian is a Visiting Professor in Practice with the London School of Economics and Political Science, a Senior Associate with the University of Oxford, Public and Third Sector Academy for Sustainable Finance, and an adjunct Senior Lecturer with Integrated Sustainability Analysis at the University of Sydney.



**DESIREE FIXLER**

**Chief Content Officer, Attain**

Desiree is the Chief Content Officer at Attain, an EdTech company, providing immersive, game-based learning for the sustainable finance market. She has over 25 years of experience in sustainable finance and global markets, having held senior roles at JP Morgan, Deutsche Bank and Zais Group.

Desiree was Group Sustainability Officer at DWS Group, when she exposed what she considered to be extensive greenwashing. She highlighted the discrepancies between the firm’s public ESG claims and its internal statements and actions and called for greater transparency and accountability in ESG investing.

Now as a trusted advisor to regulators and NGOs, she is at the forefront of global efforts to tackle greenwashing and raise the bar in the practice of sustainable finance.



**ELLEN QUIGLEY**

**Principal Research Associate; Special Adviser to the CFO**

Dr Ellen Quigley is a Principal Research Associate, the Co-Director of Finance for Environmental and Social Systemic Change, and the Special Adviser (Responsible Investment) to the Chief Financial Officer, all at the University of Cambridge. Her work centres on the mitigation of climate change and inequality through the investment policies and practices of institutional investors.



### **ERIC LIM**

#### **Chief Sustainability Officer, UOB**

Mr Eric Lim is Managing Director and the Chief Sustainability Officer at United Overseas Bank Limited (UOB). His role is to drive UOB's sustainability strategy and objectives of helping businesses and individuals transition to a sustainable future and fostering social and environmental well-being among colleagues and communities.

Eric was also the Head of Group Finance from 2013 to 2022, where he was responsible for the Bank's core finance functions spanning financial strategy, capital management, regulatory and financial reporting, tax management, business finance and performance management.

Eric holds positions in key UOB management committees, including Chairperson of the Group Sustainability Committee. He is also a member of the Management Committee and holds directorships in UOB affiliated companies.

Prior to joining UOB, Eric was Managing Director and Head of Wholesale Banking Finance, Singapore and Southeast Asia for Standard Chartered Bank, responsible for driving the strategic partnership between the wholesale business and finance teams. Eric began his career with GE Capital, during which he lived and worked in more than 20 countries.



### **FELIX PRESTON**

#### **Director - Research & Programs, Climate Arc**

Felix Preston leads on research and data for Climate Arc, an organization working to unlock capital flows to meet global climate goals.

He joined Arc from Generation Investment Management, where he was Director, Sustainability Impact and Research.

Felix was previously Senior Research Fellow at Chatham House, focusing on sustainable transitions in industrial, energy and food systems.



### **GENEVIEVE JOAN SOH**

#### **Head of Platforms & Ecosystems**

Genevieve Soh is Head of Platforms and Ecosystems, responsible for user experience across the exchanges several platforms. Prior to this, she was a Principal with the Boston Consulting Group (BCG), and a Venture Architect Director at BCG Digital Ventures where she built go-to-market strategies, innovation and economic models for leading MNCs.

Genevieve holds an MBA from the Northwestern University – Kellogg School of Management and a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance from Singapore Management University. Genevieve is also passionate about marine wildlife, for which she has learnt to scuba dive.



### **GERALDINE LEEGWATER**

#### **Chief Investment Management PGGM**

Geraldine Leegwater is since November 2020 Chief Investment Management and member of the Executive Committee of the Dutch pension fund service provider PGGM. Before Geraldine was Member of the Board of Trustees and chairman of the Investment Committee of ABP.

Between 2004 and 2018, Geraldine was first Chief Investment Officer of ABN AMRO Pensioenfond and later Chief Executive Officer of ABN AMRO Pensioenfond. She also served as a member of the Supervisory investment committee of the Dutch Central Bank and is an academic director for the executive education on pension- and investment management at the ESAA/ Erasmus University.

In the past, Geraldine was a member of several investment committees of Dutch Pension Funds.

Geraldine has a degree in Economics and Eastern European Studies and is a CFA and CAIA charter holder and certified EFFAS ESG analyst (1971)."





### **GIREESH SHRIMALI**

**Head of Transition Finance Research, Oxford University**

Gireesh Shrimali is the Head of Transition Finance Research at Oxford University. Previously, he was a Research Fellow at Stanford University and a Director at Climate Policy Initiative. He has taught at Johns Hopkins University as well as the Indian School of Business. His research is on the catalytic role of finance in getting to the 2C climate target.

He also focuses on ESG issues, such as climate risk and net zero transitions. He holds a PhD from Stanford University, an MS from the University of Minnesota, and a BTech from the Indian Institute of Technology. Prior to his academic career, he has over nine years of industry experience.



### **DR JAKOB THOMÄ**

**Project Director, Inevitable Policy Response**

Dr Jakob Thomä is one of the leading global experts on sustainable finance and long-term risks, and entrepreneur with a track record of incubating commercial and non-commercial sustainability solutions.

He co-founded the 2<sup>nd</sup> Investing Initiative entities in New York and Theia Finance Labs (formerly 2DII Germany) where he now serves as Research Director. Jakob is Project Director – Inevitable Policy Response and Professor in Practice at SOAS, University of London.

His first book “Der Kill Score: Auf der Spur unseres ökologischen und sozialen Fußabdruck” is a true crime narrative about the 500 million victims of our non-sustainable consumption, investment, and production choices and the killers behind these victims.



### **JENN-HUI TAN**

**Global Head of Stewardship & Sustainable Investing, Fidelity International**

Jenn leads Fidelity’s dedicated team of more than 40 stewardship and sustainable investing analysts and is responsible for providing external and internal leadership on Fidelity’s sustainable investing activities, including strategy and policies on ESG integration, engagement, voting, product and sustainability regulation. He chairs the firm’s Sustainable Investing Operating Committee and is a member of its Investment Management Leadership Team and Investment Management Committee. He is a member of the Board of Governors of the International Corporate Governance Network and the Advisory Board of the Finance for Biodiversity Foundation.

Jenn joined Fidelity International in 2007 from Norton Rose Fulbright, where he was a corporate finance lawyer advising on capital market and M&A transactions. He holds an LLB Law degree from the University of Durham.



### **JENNI RAMOS**

**Lawyer – Corporate/Finance and Biodiversity, Commonwealth Climate and Law Initiative**

Jenni Ramos is a UK-qualified lawyer focusing on the corporate and financial law implications of biodiversity loss and ecosystem risk at the Commonwealth Climate and Law Initiative, particularly in relation to directors’ and investors’ duties and corporate governance. Jenni is the co-author of the CCLI’s December 2022 report ‘Biodiversity Risk: Legal Implications for Companies and their Directors’.

Before joining the CCLI, Jenni was Head of Content Development at The Chancery Lane Project where she helped to shape the rapid expansion of this groundbreaking initiative to support lawyers to use contractual clauses to tackle climate change. This included editorial work, leading workshops and writing about legal issues at the intersection of climate change and law. Having qualified at Allen & Overy in London, Jenni practised corporate and commercial law in Cambridge before a variety of non-practising positions, including negotiating university medical research contracts and compliance for an international disability NGO.



**DR JENNIFER WILLETTS**  
**Head of Sustainability Data and Research - Global, Franklin Templeton**

Dr Jennifer Willetts leads Franklin Templeton’s Sustainability Data and Research workstreams, focusing on the sourcing, integration, and analysis of sustainability related data as part of the firm’s Global Sustainability Strategy Team. Dr Willetts works collaboratively with the firm’s autonomous specialist investment managers to provide guidance and insight on the use of sustainability related data; in addition to researching and developing frameworks to support the identification of risks, impacts, and opportunities.

Dr Willetts has over 8 years of experience in the asset management industry, having started her career as an equity trader and quantitative analyst on the European Trading Desk at Franklin Templeton. She obtained her PhD in Mathematical Physics in 2015 and holds a first-class Master of Mathematics, BSc from the University of Leeds.



**JESSICA SMITH**  
**Nature Lead, UNEP Finance Initiative**

Jessica Smith leads the Nature team at the UNEP Finance Initiative, promoting leadership on nature and nature-based solution from the banking, insurance and investment industries. She is a strategic and technical advisor on nature and finance and has led in setting up major initiatives such as the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) and on private sector engagement into the CBD Conference of the Parties that led to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. Jessica currently leads an applied research project with the Biodiversity Credits Alliance and other partners to promote investment in Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities-managed land- and seascapes and is otherwise active in thought-leadership at the forefront of nature and finance. For the previous 7 years she directed a consultancy firm undertaking environmental finance project development and evaluation, and leading secretariats for the Equator Principles Association (environmental and social risk in Project Finance for 100+ financial institutions) and the Cross-Sector Biodiversity Initiative (applying IFC performance standard 6 on biodiversity in oil & gas, mining, and finance). She has worked extensively to mobilise and evaluate environmental finance, globally and across Africa.



**JO RAVEN**  
**Director of Thematic Research and Corporate Innovation, FAIRR**

Jo leads the Thematic Research and Corporate Innovation team and has oversight of FAIRR’s engagement efforts. She provides strategic direction to the development of collaborative engagements and the assessment of companies across the food value chain including food technology start-ups. Jo also works closely with investor members to develop and integrate sustainable food systems as a key priority.

Prior to this, she was an Assistant-Manager at KPMG UK in their Investment Management and Funds Team, advising investment managers on risk management as well as working cross-functionally with the Sustainability Team on climate change risk for private equity firms. Jo began her career with Alliance Trust as an analyst.

Jo holds a first-class degree in BA (Hons) Geography from the University of Leeds and an MSc in Development Studies at SOAS, for which she was awarded a Distinction. She passed CFA Level 1 and holds the Investment Management Certificate (IMC).



**JOHAN FLORÉN**  
**Chief ESG & Communication Officer, AP7**

Johan Florén joined AP7 in 2009. AP7, Sjunde AP-fonden (Seventh AP Fund), is the default alternative within the Swedish premium pension system with assets of 90 billion USD and more than five million savers. Johan is a member of the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures.

Previously he has been chairman of Sweden’s sustainable investment forum (SWESIF) and of Amnesty Business Group in Sweden. Alongside work, Johan is a PhD student at Lund University.

He holds several degrees, including philosophy, political science and marketing from Stockholm and Uppsala universities.



### **JULJA PRODANI**

**Senior Policy Advisor, Financial Stability division of de Nederlandsche Bank (DNB)**

Julja is a Senior Policy Advisor at the Financial Stability division of de Nederlandsche Bank (DNB). Before joining DNB, she worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers as an advisor to banks on prudential regulation and then as an economic researcher. At DNB, she started as a banking macroprudential policy specialist before becoming involved in the topic of nature-related financial risks.

She is now leading a project on nature-related scenario analyses for the Netherlands, and co-chairing a Eurosystem initiative on the topic of nature-related risks. She is also contributing to international work on the topic of nature, such as the NGFS Taskforce on Nature. Julja holds a Master's degree in Business Economics from the University of Amsterdam and a Financial Risk Manager (FRM) certificate from the Global Association of Risk Professionals.



### **KAREN ELLIS**

**Chief Economist, WWF**

Karen Ellis is Chief Economist at WWF-UK, and a member of WWF's Global Finance Practice Leadership Team, and oversees a cross-organisational programme of work focusing on how to transform the financial and economic system for sustainability. She represents WWF on the UK Government's Transition Plan Taskforce, and on the Green Technical Advisory Group which advises the UK Government on the green taxonomy. She is an economist with 25 years' experience in the public and private sectors. Karen previously worked for the UK Government at HM Treasury, and at the Department for International Development, with a focus on international economics, private sector development, growth, investment, financial regulation and macroeconomic policy issues. Karen also worked at the Overseas Development Institute, where she led the Private Sector and Markets Programme, focusing on the role of business in achieving sustainable development. Karen started her career as a consultant for London Economics, advising on financial regulatory issues for private sector clients.



### **KEITH TUFFLEY**

**Global Co-Head of Citi's Sustainability & Corporate Transitions Group**

In this role, Keith leads Citi's sustainability engagement with its corporate clients, supporting them with strategic and M&A advice, financing and capital markets solutions, and investor engagement, as they transition their businesses towards more sustainable models.

Prior to Citi, Keith was the CEO of The B Team, an NGO comprised of a group of 24 CEO's of global companies, leading entrepreneurs, and civil society leaders to drive a better way of doing business. Keith was an active participant in the Paris Climate Agreement process and the launch of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and led the creation of the first "net-zero companies" in 2015. He was a Founding Board Member of the We Mean Business climate coalition.

Keith was the Head of Investment Banking, a Partner, and Board Member of Goldman Sachs in Australia. Prior to joining Goldman Sachs, he was a Managing Director at UBS. Keith commenced his career as a commercial lawyer for Allen Allen & Hemsley.

Keith is the Founder of impact investing company, NEUW Ventures SA; a Director the Villars Institute; a founder of the Climate Leaders Coalition; a Director of the EO Wilson Biodiversity Foundation; a Governor of WWF Australia; a member of the Stakeholder Committee of Michelin; and a member of the Strategic Advisory Group of Business for Nature.

He holds the following qualifications: Bachelor of Economics; Bachelor of Laws and Master of Laws (Sydney University); Advanced Management Program (INSEAD); and Master of Studies in Sustainability Leadership (Cambridge University, UK). He was elected as an International Fellow of the Explorers Club in 2022.



**LAURA HILLIS**

**Director, Climate and Environment at the Church of England Pensions Board**

Laura is the Director, Climate and Environment at the Church of England Pensions Board and leads climate stewardship, policy and targets for the organisation as well as managing key strategic projects such as corporate climate lobbying. She has nearly fifteen years of experience in sustainability and ESG focused on finance and investment, including working for Australian financial institutions such as Bank Australia and the Suncorp Group.

Most recently Laura led Climate Action 100+ for the APAC-based Investor Group on Climate Change, working with over 100+ institutional investors to engage high-emitters on climate change. She also served on the Steering Committee for Climate Action 100+ and on an advisory committee for the Transition Pathway Initiative.

Laura holds degrees from the University of Melbourne and Queensland University of Technology and is currently a candidate in the Master of Sustainability Leadership program at the University of Cambridge.



**LINDSEY STEWART**

**Director of Investment Stewardship, Morningstar**

Lindsey Stewart is the director of investment stewardship research on Morningstar’s global manager research team.

Lindsey analyses asset managers’ sustainable investing policies and practices. He focuses on their corporate engagement, proxy voting, and public policy engagement activities on key ESG topics, including climate change, biodiversity, workforce and supply chain issues, gender and racial equity, board composition and diversity, and shareholder rights.

Lindsey joined Morningstar in 2022 from the Financial Reporting Council where he was head of stakeholder engagement. Prior to that, his career spans over 20 years in investor relations consulting, equity research, and financial reporting and regulation at KPMG and Makinson Cowell. Lindsey qualified as a Chartered Global Management Accountant with AICPA-CIMA, and he also holds the CFA® Charterholder designation.



**LISE PRETORIUS**

**Chief Sustainability Analysis Officer, Matter**

Lise is Head of Sustainability Analysis at Matter, a Danish fintech company specializing in sustainable investments. Previously, Lise was Vice President at WWF’s Asia Sustainable Finance team in Singapore where she supported financial institutions across the region with research and training on climate, biodiversity and water, and led stakeholder relations for multi-stakeholder platform Asia Sustainable Finance Initiative.

Prior to that, her work spanned corporate sustainability consulting, research, and financial journalism across South Africa, Bhutan, and the UK. She is responsible for developing all of Matter’s methods and frameworks, and the data solutions she helps design are currently used to analyse EUR +700bn in AUM by investors across Asia, Europe and North America. She also serves as non-executive director for South African shareholder activism organization Just Share. Lise holds a BComm Honours in Economics from the University of Cape Town and an MSc in Environmental Economics from the London School of Economics



**LUCY FITZGEORGE-PARKER**

**Editor, Responsible Investor**

Lucy Fitzgeorge-Parker joined Responsible Investor as editor in 2022 from Euromoney magazine, where she was ESG editor. Prior to that, she was Euromoney’s editor for Central and Eastern Europe and contributing editor at GlobalCapital. She has covered most aspects of banking and capital markets since switching to journalism from investment banking in 2003.



### **LUKE SUSSAMS**

**Head of ESG and Sustainable Finance, EMEA, Jefferies**

Luke Sussams leads ESG Strategy for EMEA at Jefferies, a US investment bank.

Luke has been a sell-side ESG analyst for 6+ years.

Prior to that, Luke spent 6 years researching the energy transition at Carbon Tracker, the think-tank that coined the term “stranded assets”.



### **MADELENA MOHAMED**

**Sustainability Director, Bank Negara Malaysia**

Madelena oversees the strategic direction and execution of the Bank’s climate change agenda. She currently co-chairs the NGFS Task Force on Capacity Building and Training. She has experience in various aspects of financial stability including strategic, macro- and micro-prudential policies, both for the conventional and Islamic financial systems.

She was responsible for financial stability assessment and crisis management policies in the Bank including resolution strategies during the Asian financial crisis. She spearheaded the formation of the Bank’s Financial Stability Executive Committee and was the key responsible person for the inaugural Financial Sector Assessment Programme for Malaysia in 2012.

She represented the Bank in several committees including the Basel Committee Policy Development Group, IAIS Financial Stability and Technical Committee, and IFSB Technical Committee. She graduated in economics, accounting and finance from the London School of Economics and is a Chartered Financial Analyst.



### **MARK MANNING**

**Strategic Policy Advisor on Sustainable Finance at the FCA**

In this role, he is responsible for several initiatives at the core of the FCA’s ESG Strategy. These include work on climate and sustainability reporting and assurance, transition planning and sustainable investment labelling and disclosure. Mark is a leading member of IOSCO’s Sustainable Finance Taskforce, as well as the UK Transition Plan Taskforce Delivery Group, and the ISSB’s Jurisdictional Working Group.

Prior to joining the FCA in 2018, Mark spent fifteen years as a central banker with the Bank of England (BoE) and the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA). He also spent several years as a fixed income and currency fund manager with Kleinwort Benson Investment Management and Goldman Sachs Asset Management. Mark holds Master’s degrees in Economics and Finance, from University College London and London Business School, respectively.



### **MARTIJN REGELINK**

**Senior Financial Economist, World Bank**

Martijn Regelink is a Senior Financial Economist in the World Bank’s Finance, Competitiveness, and Innovation Global Practice. He leads the World Bank’s advisory services on climate and nature risks for the financial sector, providing policy advice to regulators and supervisors around the world.

Currently, he is working on projects in South East Asia; Africa and Latin America and leads engagements on climate risks and opportunities in the Financial Sector Assessment Program. He also represents the Bank in NGFS and FSB working groups on climate risk. Previously, Martijn worked as a strategy advisor to the board of the Dutch central bank (DNB), leading DNB’s first program on climate risks. He holds Master’s degrees from the University of Groningen in Economics and International Relations.



### **MATTHEW GINGELL**

#### **General Counsel, The Chancery Lane Project**

Matt has been a solicitor for 16 years (12 in-house) and is currently the General Counsel of The Oxygen House Group.

He is widely recognised as an innovator who is helping shape the legal profession as a force for good. Speaking regularly on ESG and sustainability matters he founded the The Chancery Lane Project in 2019. Matt is the author of the climate contracts doctrine: ground level commercial contracts creating global environmental outcomes.

He has been embedding ESG objectives into investments since 2014 and is an ESG Advisor to the QantX fund.

Matt is an External Associate of Exeter University's Centre for Environmental Law and a Fellow of the Institute of Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability.

He also holds voluntary positions as a trustee of The Oxygen House Foundation, The Dixon Foundation and The Chancery Lane Project.



### **NATHAN FABIAN**

#### **Chief Responsible Investment Officer**

Nathan Fabian is Chief Responsible Investment and Signatories Relations Officer at the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment. The PRI supports over 5000 institutional investors globally to incorporate Environmental, Social and Governance factors into their investment activities. He has been with the PRI for five years.

From November 2020 – October 2022, Nathan was Chair of the EU Platform on Sustainable Finance, a public and private sector expert panel to develop sustainable finance policies and tools in Europe, including the EU Taxonomy, Nathan previously served as the Rapporteur for the Taxonomy Group of the EU Technical Expert Group on Sustainable Finance.

He was an Observer on the EU High Level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance and part of the Secretariat for the UK Green Finance Taskforce.

These roles are part of twenty years of professional experience in sustainable finance in government policy, investment research and ratings on companies, and the development of investment processes and tools.



### **NIKKI GWILLIAM-BEEHAREE**

#### **Investor Engagement Strategic Lead, World Benchmarking Alliance**

Nikki is leading the Investor engagement strategy at the World Benchmarking Alliance. In this role Nikki works with asset managers, asset owners and key actors across the investment industry to accelerate corporate accountability and sustainable systems transformation. Previously she worked as the Director of ESG Research at Invesco where she partnered with fund managers and investment analysts on ESG integration and corporate engagement across regions and asset classes.

Nikki started her career as an ESG analyst and before Invesco, she was Director of Research at an ESG rating agency, Vigeo Eiris (now part of Moody's). Nikki holds an MA in Human Rights from the University of Sussex, a BA in Economics and Social Anthropology from the University of Manchester, and has attained the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investments (CISI) certificate on the 'Introduction to Securities and Investment'.



### **PETER DUNBAR**

#### **Head of Private Equity, PRI**

Peter Dunbar is a professional with over 20 years of experience in the asset management industry.

As the Head of Private Equity at the United Nations-backed Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI), he leads its work in driving responsible investment and ESG practices in the private equity and venture capital space.

Before joining UNPRI, he spent over a decade working within the emerging markets private equity team of Capital Group, one of the world's largest investment management firms, giving him a unique perspective on the industry.



**PROFESSOR RACHEL KYTE**

**Dean Emerita, The Fletcher School at Tufts University, Co-Chair, Voluntary Carbon Markets Integrity Initiative**

Rachel Kyte is Dean Emerita of The Fletcher School at Tufts University and a professor of practice. Kyte was the first woman to lead the United States’ oldest graduate-only school of global affairs.

Kyte served as special representative of the UN secretary-general and chief executive officer of Sustainable Development for All (SEforALL). She previously was the World Bank Group vice president and special envoy for climate change, leading action on climate finance in the run-up to the Paris Agreement. Kyte served as an advisor to the UN secretary-general on climate action and the crisis response to the invasion of Ukraine, chaired the Rwandan Green Fund (FONERWA) and advised the UK government on COP26.

Kyte is currently co-chair of the Voluntary Carbon Markets Integrity Initiative (VCMI) working to build high integrity voluntary carbon markets, member of the board Private Infrastructure Development Group with responsibility for ESG, and a member of the G20 Expert Group on MDB reform, appointed by the Government of India. Kyte is an advisor to General Atlantic’s Beyond Net Zero fund and a member of the board of the Carbon Policy Initiative. She is an advisor to Mahindra University’s Center for Sustainable Development and plays a leadership role at the World Economic Forum on trade, climate, energy and minerals. Kyte is an advisor to AIB, JBIC and served as a member of IDB-Invest’s Blue Ribbon Commission.

Kyte regularly speaks, lectures and writes on issues of mobilization of finance for climate action, energy transitions and climate diplomacy. She has been recognized for her leadership on both sides of the Atlantic and was made a Companion of St Michael and St George (CMG) in the 2020 New Years Honors.



**RAY DHIRANI**

**Head of Impact Management, Tribe Impact Capital**

Ray is head of impact management at Tribe Impact Capital. Ray co-leads Tribe’s impact management proposition alongside Chief Impact Officer, Amy Clarke. He is also responsible for the impact management of Tribe’s single line securities, net zero commitments, whilst overseeing fund engagement activities.

Prior to Tribe, Ray was head of sustainable finance at WWF UK, where he worked across thematic and policy areas covering climate change and wider environmental themes including extractives, food systems and deforestation, as well as conservation and finance sector data.

Before WWF, Ray worked in the global markets division of Merrill Lynch in New York. He holds a BSc. in Economics from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and an MSc. in Environment & Development from the London School of Economics.



**RHYS OWEN**

**Research Director, BlueTech Research**

Rhys is the Research Director at BlueTech Research, an independent water technology market intelligence firm which helps water utilities, technology providers and global corporations solve their water-related problems.

Based in Oxford, UK, he was previously deputy editor at Global Water Intelligence magazine where helped set up new overseas offices in Singapore and Austin, Texas, as well as founding desaldata.com – an ambitious online project to catalogue and track all of the world’s desalination plants.

With a long-held interest in technology, he has previously worked in the marketing division for a cyber security specialist, as well for the Sunday Times UK newspaper, where he managed the paper’s Tech Track 100 league table of the fastest-growing UK tech firms.

Rhys first became interested in the impact of water scarcity issues while travelling through the Middle East. Living in Manila for two years provided a vivid education on what a lack of access to water and sanitation looks like, and the contrasting ways in which the water crisis is being tackled by the interplay of technology, grassroots initiatives and international finance.

Rhys has also contributed to publications such as Water Environment Federation’s World Water magazine and Endeavor Business Media’s Water World and has presented at several international water events.



### **RICHARD BARKER**

#### **Member, International Sustainability Standards Board**

Richard Barker was appointed as a full-time member of the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) in June 2022, effective 8 July 2022.

Before joining the ISSB, he served as deputy dean and professor of accounting at Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, UK. In this capacity, he led Oxford Saïd's sustainable business initiatives.

He has published a wide range of academic research papers on accounting and sustainability disclosures. He has chaired the expert panel of Accounting for Sustainability (A4S) and served as a member of several committees and bodies focused on corporate reporting in the UK and Europe, including the UK Corporate Reporting Council (UK accounting standard-setter), the Financial Reporting Advisory Board and the European Accounting Association's Accounting Standards Committee.

Professor Barker served as a research fellow at the International Accounting Standards Board from 2001 to 2007.

He has a Bachelor's degree in history and economics from University of Oxford and a PhD from University of Cambridge, UK.



### **ROB BAUER**

#### **Professor of Finance, Maastricht University**

Professor of Finance (chair: Institutional Investors) and holder of the Elverding Chair on Sustainable Business, Culture and Corporate Regulation at Maastricht University School of Business and Economics in The Netherlands. His academic research is focused on institutional investments (focus on pension funds), sustainable finance, responsible investing, shareholder activism and corporate governance. Rob is also Co-Founder and Director of the European Centre for Sustainable Finance (ECCE) at Maastricht University, Emeritus Executive Director of the International Centre for Pension Management (ICPM) in Toronto, and currently ICPM's Associate Director of Education, Co-founder of GRESB (real estate benchmarking company) and Co-Chair of the Global Research Alliance on Sustainable Finance and Investment (GRASFI). Rob also advises and supports institutional investors on topics related to strategic investments.



### **ROBERT G. ECCLES**

#### **Visiting Professor of Management Practice, Saïd Business School, University of Oxford**

Robert G. Eccles is a leading authority on how companies and investors can create sustainable strategies through the integration of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors in resource allocation decisions. The focus of his work is on how the capital markets can contribute to ensuring a sustainable society for generations to come. Currently Eccles is a Visiting Professor of Management Practice at the Saïd Business School, University of Oxford where he is engaged in research projects focused on corporate purpose, corporate reporting, engagement and stewardship, and private equity.

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Tim has collaborated on ESG issues with colleagues across the FCA's functions, from Operations, Procurement and Corporate Governance to Authorisations, Supervision, Enforcement and Innovation. Prior to this, Tim undertook a range of management roles in Policy, taking in the FCA's response to the Covid-19 crisis (focusing on mortgages and consumer credit), its preparations for Brexit and in Markets Policy (primarily on the negotiations around MiFID 2). Tim is an experienced international negotiator, having led working groups and task forces at both ESMA and IOSCO. Prior to his 13 years at the FCA, Tim worked in a number of roles for the London Stock Exchange Group.



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