Global transition finance summit

November 2023, Singapore
2023 will be a landmark year in harnessing transition finance products, standards and frameworks. Much has been done to scale up capital for sustainable finance. Yet, according to the International Energy Agency’s Net Zero Emissions by 2050 scenario, the transition will require an additional $126tn from now until 2050, with almost half of this investment needed in the Asia Pacific region. Transition finance is the answer to unlocking the funds needed to support high-emitting industries in achieving net-zero objectives.

The global transition finance summit, held in Singapore, will be the preeminent event for leaders and experts from the public and private sectors working on transition finance. It will provide a platform for detailed and proactive dialogue on meeting net-zero targets while maintaining social and economic balance.

Centred around the key themes in transition finance and ahead of COP28, the event will bring together 250 in-person delegates, encompassing asset owners,
pension funds, sovereign funds, policy-makers, governments, central banks, development banks, fund managers and corporations from around the world. The agenda will delve into the financial solutions, products and architecture required for the transition. Asset owners are key to transition finance discussions and the event will bring together high-level speakers from the community to facilitate low-carbon transition.

The summit will leverage speakers and audience members from the networks of its founding organisers: OMFIF, a think tank, forum and event organiser with a notable network among public sector financial institutions, and SGX Group, Asia’s most international and trusted exchange and a leading transition finance and trading hub. In addition, GIC, the global long-term investor, is supporting and endorsing the event.

By the end of the summit, delegates will have a clearer understanding of and a desire to make substantial efforts in several key areas:

• Mobilising assets and moving beyond passive investment
• Assessing risk and reward for asset owners and other investors
• Developing financial market products to promote transition and support high-emitting sectors

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• Addressing key challenges in developing markets
• Understanding the role of governments, central banks, development banks and blended finance
• Financing and promoting decarbonisation and new energy sources
• Recognising the importance of collaboration between real economy companies and stakeholders
• Building reliable datasets and establishing standardisation in transition planning frameworks
The opportunity

OMFIF and SGX are inviting a select group of institutions to join as sponsoring partners of the summit. These partner institutions will have the opportunity to engage in high-level, constructive dialogue with some of the most important members of the financial community and help shape the evolution of sustainable finance.

OMFIF provides the ideal forum to gather senior influencers from Asia Pacific and across the globe to discuss the trends and opportunities arising in sustainable finance. We will bring together an unrivalled network among the public and private sectors to promote dialogue, understanding and co-operation at a crucial moment in the lead up to COP28.

Attendance in person will be strictly by invitation only, and selected sessions will be streamed to a virtual audience. OMFIF and SGX will invite members of their global network looking to increase their knowledge of the opportunities for transition finance in the region, working closely with our partners to ensure the correct level of highly valued attendees.

As well as an opportunity to gain insights into and build relationships with core members of OMFIF’s and SGX’s network, the summit is a chance for partnering institutions to show their global and regional leadership at a time where market-leading solutions for transition finance are crucial. This event will showcase the wealth of opportunities that transition finance offers the industry now and in the future. It will give OMFIF’s partners a platform to demonstrate their commitment to sustainable finance and showcase Singapore as a hub for transition finance.

Forum format

- One-day conference held physically in Singapore and broadcast online
- VIP pre-conference dinner on 31 October with 25 attendees
- Post-conference drinks reception
- Two high-level off-record breakfast briefings the conference morning, 1 November
- Conference day, 1 November
Why partner?

Engage and network with 250-300 high-level policy-makers, regulators and asset owners from across the financial sector globally.

Lead the conversation in transition finance developments and be a force for action.

Showcase your expertise and support of transition finance and its importance in steering a green and sustainable economy.
The programme

08:00–09:15 Breakfast briefings

Off-record, high-level roundtables for 20–25 selected high-level attendees prior to the conference. Attendees of the workshop will be welcome to then join the conference.

Stream one
Unlocking capital through net-zero benchmarks

Stream two
How private equity is adapting to climate change

09:00–09:30 Main conference registration

09:30–09:45 Welcome remarks

09:45–10:00 Keynote address: Investing in and building a green and inclusive economy

10:00–10:30 In conversation: The role of government in driving transition finance
10:30-10:45 Presentation: Defining implementable and credible transition finance

10:45-11:00 Presentation: Results of annual OMFIF survey of global public investors

11:00-11:20 Refreshment and networking break

11:20-12:05 Session I: How central banks can promote sustainable financial markets

12:05-12:50 Session II: Leveraging private capital: transforming asset owners’ role in transitioning capital markets

12:50-14:00 Lunch and networking break

• VIPs will be hosted in a separate room during the lunch break

(13:15-14:00 Practical workshop in the main lunchroom on ‘The next frontier: a global perspective on transition planning for corporates and financial institutions’ – in collaboration with Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero)

14:00-14:45 Session III: Evolving sustainable capital markets: the latest tools, products and standards

14:45-15:30 Session IV: Mobilising assets and portfolio allocation for transition

15:30-16:00 In conversation: Crowding private finance into the emerging markets: the role of multilaterals and blended finance

16:00-16:30 Refreshment and networking break

16:30-17:00 Fireside chat: Delivering growth without emissions: China’s path to 2060 climate goals

17:00-17:45 Session V: Solving the energy trilemma and driving decarbonisation

17:45-17:50 Closing remarks

18:00-20:00 Cocktail reception
Media

OMFIF will work closely with local and international media partners to ensure widespread coverage of the event on the day and immediately afterwards. We can collaborate with communications teams at partner organisations to arrange one-on-one broadcasts or written media interviews on the day of the event, with interviews carried out in a special media area with backdrop display of leading partner logos.

Confirmed and invited speakers

Loh Boon Chye, Chief Executive Officer, SGX

Leslie Maasdorp, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, New Development Bank

Snorre Gjerde, Lead Investment Stewardship Manager, Norges Bank Investment Management

Liew Tzu Mi, Chief Investment Officer for Fixed Income and Chair of Sustainability Committee, GIC

Rachel Teo, Head of Sustainability and Total Portfolio Sustainable Investing, GIC

Ravi Menon, Managing Director, Monetary Authority of Singapore

Frans Timmermans, Executive Vice President, European Commission

Jingdong Hua, Vice Chair, International Sustainability Standards Board

Makhtar Diop, Managing Director, International Finance Corporation

Isabel Schnabel, Member of the Executive Board, European Central Bank

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