



Time	Day 1: Thursday, 17 October 2019	Speakers
8:30-9:00am	Registration and networking	
9:00-9:05am	Conference opening and introduction to UNESCAP's Executive Secretary	Ms. Sweta Saxena , Chief, Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis, UNESCAP
	 <p>Ms. Sweta Saxena, Chief, Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis, UNESCAP. Sweta is currently on leave from the IMF to serve as the Chief in the Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division at the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand. She has led UNESCAP's 2019 Flagship report, titled "Ambitions beyond growth." At the IMF, she has worked on multilateral surveillance for the G20 countries in the Research Department and on fragile countries in the African Department. Her research has focused on policy-relevant macro-financial issues, namely, crises and recoveries, contagion, and exchange rates. Sweta has published extensively, including in the American Economic Review and the Journal of International Economics. Prior to joining the IMF, she worked at the Bank for International Settlements in Basel, Switzerland, and as an Assistant Professor at the University of Pittsburgh. Sweta obtained her PhD in economics from the University of Washington and a Master's in economics from the Delhi School of Economics.</p>	
9:05-9:15am	Welcome remarks	Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana , Executive Secretary, UNESCAP
	 <p>Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana is the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP). Prior to the position, Ms. Alisjahbana was a Professor of Economics at Universitas Padjadjaran as well as serving as the Director for the Center for Sustainable Development Goals Studies and as the Vice-Chair of the Indonesian Academy of Sciences. In 2016, she was a member of the High-Level Independent Team of Advisers to support the Economic and Social Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. From 2009 to 2014, she was the Minister of National Development Planning and the Head of the National Development Planning Agency, Indonesia. She also served as the Co-Chair of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation and was the Alternate Governor of the World Bank and Alternate Governor of the Asian Development Bank representing the Government of Indonesia.</p>	
9:15-9:30am	Group Photo	
9:30-9:40am	Overview and structure of the conference	Ms. Jyoti Bisbey , MPAS, UNESCAP, Master of Ceremony
	 <p>Ms. Jyoti Bisbey is the Lead Infrastructure Economics and Finance Officer in the Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis section of UNESCAP. Currently on an external assignment to the UN from the World Bank Group (WBG). At the WBG, Jyoti's career has spanned all the developing regions: Latin America, Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe. She specializes in infrastructure policy and financing; and was recently working at the Infrastructure, Public-Private Partnership (PPP) and Guarantees unit of the WBG. Jyoti has devoted 18+ years on development finance, public investment management, public financing policies, project financing, financial recovery and reform of utilities and developing capital market financing instruments using World Bank intermediation. Jyoti completed her</p>	

	<p>MBA in Corporate and International Finance from George Washington University in Washington D.C. and Bachelor's in Mathematics from St. Stephens College in Delhi.</p>
<p>9:40-10:40am</p>	<p>Session 1: Influencing the debate on “Ambitions beyond growth”</p> <p>Ms. Sweta Saxena, Chief, Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis, UNESCAP (Please see opening for Sweta’s biography)</p> <p>Professor Luigi Zingales, Professor of Entrepreneurship and Finance, University of Chicago Booth School of Business</p>  <p>Luigi Zingales' research interests span from corporate governance to financial development, from political economy to the economic effects of culture. He co-developed the Financial Trust Index, which is designed to monitor the level of trust that Americans have toward their financial system. In addition to holding his position at Chicago Booth, Zingales is currently a faculty research fellow for the National Bureau of Economic Research, a research fellow for the Center for Economic Policy Research, and a fellow of the European Governance Institute. He is also an editorialist for Il Sole 24 Ore, the Italian equivalent of the Financial Times. Zingales also serves on the Committee on Capital Markets Regulation, which has been examining the legislative, regulatory, and legal issues affecting how public companies function. In 2014 he was the President of the American Finance Association. In July 2015, he became the director of the Stigler Center at the University of Chicago. His research has earned him the 2003 Bernácer Prize for the best young European financial economist. His book “Saving Capitalism from Capitalists” coauthored with Raghuram G. Rajan, has been acclaimed as "one of the most powerful defenses of the free market ever written" by Bruce Bartlett of National Review Online. Of his latest book, “A Capitalism for the People: Recapturing the Lost Genius of American Prosperity,” the Financial Times has written “Zingales’ fundamental diagnosis is right.” Zingales received a bachelor's degree in economics summa cum laude from Università Bocconi in Italy in 1987 and a PhD in economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1992. He joined the Chicago Booth faculty in 1992.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, UNESCAP</p>  <p>Kaveh Zahedi is the Deputy Executive Secretary for Sustainable Development of the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP). He oversees UNESCAP’s work on social development, environment, energy, disaster risk management and information communications and technology. Prior to UNESCAP, Mr. Zahedi was Regional Director and Representative for Asia and the Pacific of the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment). He managed UN Environment’s technical and policy support programmes and represented the organization in the region. As a previous Deputy Director of UN Environment's Division of Technology, Industry and Economics (UN Environment - DTIE), he oversaw the work on green economy, resource efficiency and climate change. At UN Environment -DTIE, he also set up and headed the Climate and Clean Air Coalition for reducing short lived climate pollutants. He has worked in UN Environment’s offices in Kenya, Mexico, UK, France and Thailand for over two decades. Before UN Environment, Mr. Zahedi worked at an NGO as project manager for micro credit and development projects. He holds a Master’s degree from the Fletcher School, Tufts University, USA, and a BSc first class degree in Economics & Geography, from University College London.</p>
<p>10:40-11:00am</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p>11:00am-12:00pm</p>	<p>Session 2: Setting the Scene on Sustainable Development Status in the Asia-Pacific Region</p> <p>Mr. Charles Arden-Clarke, Head, One Planet Network (10YFP) Secretariat, UN Environment</p>



Charles Arden-Clarke trained as a zoologist and ecologist and initially worked for the Political Ecology Research Group in the UK, primarily on the environmental impacts of nuclear power and conventional and organic farming systems. Between 1990 and 1999 he developed and led WWF International's Trade and Investment programme, focusing on the environmental impacts of WTO rules and negotiations, related ISO standards and the proposed Multilateral Agreement on Investment. He has worked for UN Environment since January 2000, initially on the effects of trade liberalisation on the environment and the relationship between WTO rules and multilateral environmental agreements. Since 2004 he has worked at the Economy Division in Paris, mostly on sustainable consumption and production (SCP). He is currently Head of the Secretariat of the One Planet network, formed to implement the Ten-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns (10YFP), adopted at Rio+20 in 2012.

Ms. Chiara Bronchi, Chief Thematic Officer, Sustainable Development and Climate Change, Asian Development Bank (ADB)



Chiara Bronchi is the Chief Thematic Officer of ADB's Thematic Advisory Service Cluster under the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Department. Chiara is responsible for the Cluster's vision, goals, and work plan of eight thematic groups: Digital Technology for Development, Environment, Gender Equity, Governance, NGO and Civil Society Center, Regional Cooperation and Integration, Rural Development and Food Security, and Social Development. Chiara has over 25 years of experience in managing multi-stakeholders and multi-disciplinary projects gained in various international organizations namely the IMF, OECD, UN and the World Bank. She started her professional career as Economic Adviser at HM Inland Revenue (UK), and she joined the OECD in 1998 as Young Professional, then the IMF in 2003 to pursue her career as Economist. She was also the Head of the Fiscal Affairs Office at the UN Mission in Kosovo before joining the World Bank in 2008 as Country Manager for Tajikistan Country Office, then became Lead Public Sector and Governance Specialist in 2012 and later Practice Manager for Governance Global Practice where she oversaw lending operations and non-lending technical assistance on public sector management, revenue mobilization, state-owned enterprises, fiscal policy, judiciary reforms, e-Government and Open Government reforms and Financial Management. She holds a PhD in Economics from Università degli Studi di Bologna, Italy, and a Master's degree in Economics from University College of London, UK.

12:00pm-
12:30pm

Session 3: Achieving the 2030 Agenda in Asia-Pacific region: "Living within our planetary limits with an urgent need to shift development paradigms"

Professor Jeffrey Sachs, Columbia University and Director of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network



Jeffrey Sachs is a University Professor and Director of the Center for Sustainable Development at Columbia University, where he directed the Earth Institute from 2002 until 2016. He is also Director of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network and a commissioner of the UN Broadband Commission for Development. He has been advisor to three United Nations Secretaries-General, and currently serves as an SDG Advocate under Secretary-General Antonio Guterres.

Host: Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, UNESCAP

12:30-
1:30pm

Lunch Break

1:30-
2:45pm

Session 4: Impact from institutional policy changes on our lifestyles

Mr. Heinz Schandl, Senior Principal Scientist, CSIRO



Heinz Schandl is a senior principal scientist at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, based in Canberra, Australia where he leads the social systems research group and research on sustainable use of natural resources. His research links social theory, social metabolism and public policy to explore pathways for sustainable consumption and production and green economy based on measuring and modelling sustainability, and policy analysis. He is the lead author of Resource Efficiency: Economics and Outlook for Asia and the Pacific commissioned by the UN Environment Office in Bangkok and has been

a consultant for the OECD, the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank. He is an adjunct associate professor at the Australian National University, School of Sociology and a permanent visiting professor at the Graduate School of Environmental Studies at Nagoya University in Japan. He is a council member of the International Society of Industrial Ecology, chairing its Socio-Economic Metabolism section; associate editor of the Journal of Industrial Ecology; and editorial board member for the Journal of Material Cycles and Waste Management. He is a member of the UNCRD expert group of the Regional 3R Forum in Asia and vice-chair of the Gordon Research Conference for Industrial Ecology. He has extensive experience in project leadership and in providing research that informs public policy in the domain of sustainable natural resource use and sustainable development with a focus on Asia and the Pacific.

Ms. Ma. Fideles S. Sadicon, Economic Affairs Officer, UNESCAP



Fideles Sadicon is an Economic Affairs Officer at the East and North-East Asia Office of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific. Fideles contributes to UNESCAP's subregional work in the policy area of regional connectivity, particularly, on trade and transport. Prior to her current work, Fideles has been involved in work related to macroeconomic monitoring and regional economic integration. Fideles was an Economist/Senior Officer at the ASEAN Integration Monitoring Directorate (AIMD) of the ASEAN Secretariat supporting the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) trade negotiations as well as conducting economic policy research on investment-related issues and regional

economic integration monitoring. Fideles was a long-term consultant at the Asian Development Bank (ADB) under the Office of Regional Economic Integration (OREI) supporting OREI's policy research work through the Asia Regional Integration Center project. Fideles also worked as an Economist for the General Secretariat for Development Planning of the Government of Qatar involved in developing Qatar's first National Development Strategy, macroeconomic forecasting and co-managed the institution's flagship economic publication, the Qatar Economic Outlook.

Professor Shaleen Singhal, TERI School of Advanced Studies, India



Shaleen Singhal is a Professor at TERI School of Advanced Studies and had been a Visiting Fulbright Professor at the Yale University in 2018. Through over 22 years of research and teaching experience, Dr Singhal focuses on sustainable urban development issues in India, UK and US. He is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, UK and had worked as a lecturer in Sustainability Design at the School of the Built Environment, University of Ulster. His research work and publications lay emphasis on sustainable consumption and production, sustainable redevelopment of

cities, ecology based urban planning, and effective policy and governance for cities in emerging economies

as India. Inter-disciplinary research by Dr Singhal and his PhD scholars examines the challenges and solutions for livable urban settlements. He has pioneered in structuring the first masters' course on Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) with an emerging economy's perspective and the first-of-its-kind M Tech programme on Urban Development and Management in India. He has led several research and consultancy assignments including the UN Environment-EU funded Switch Asia Initiative focusing on SCP and the Indian European multi-level climate governance research networking programme. He is a member of the Global Urban Competitiveness Project Council, US. Dr Singhal has been contributing as a guest faculty, external PhD examiner, and research committee member at several planning and architecture schools such as SPA, CEPT and IIT Kharagpur in India.

2:45-3:00pm **Coffee Break**

3:00-4:45pm **Session 5: Sustainability in business functions- Is ESG being greenwashed or a reality?**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Joan Cabezas**, Director, Global Private Sector Solutions, Palladium Group



Joan heads the Global Private Sector Solutions Team at The Palladium Group. Over the last 20 years, he has collaborated with hundreds of public and private organisations in Europe, Latin America, the Middle East and Asia-Pacific, with a focus on delivering complex solutions that require the alignment of the private sector, governments, investors and civil society. He is also one of the best global experts in the design and implementation of the Balanced Scorecard, having collaborated with hundreds of organizations worldwide. Before joining Palladium, Joan developed his career as a consultant in Andersen Consulting (now Accenture), then joined Everis (originally DRM Group) to develop their European operations and launched Sponsor Management Consulting.

- **Mr. Abhishek Dangra**, Senior Director, S&P Global Ratings



Abhishek Dangra is the Sector Lead for all Infrastructure and Utilities companies in South & South-East Asia region (SSEA-mainly India + ASEAN) covering Power and Transportation Infrastructure companies like Airports, Ports, Toll Roads etc. He is based out of Singapore. Abhishek is increasingly involved in sharing S&P's views on Infrastructure sector trends, ESG/Green Finance and Project Finance transactions in the region. He has over 15 years of credit experience; joining S&P in 2010. Before joining S&P, he was heading the Industry Research Group - Credit at Kotak Mahindra Bank. Abhishek has also worked with Lehman Brothers in the Global Risk Management function. Abhishek is a Management Post-Graduate from the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) – Indore, Chartered Accountant (CA) from The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India with Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com) degree from Gujarat University and a Certified FRM by the Global Association of Risk Professionals (GARP).

- **Mr. Hitesh Kataria**, Manager, Sustainability, Mahindra Group



Hitesh has a decade long diverse work experience ranging from research, consulting, business engagement in the field of Leadership Development, Sustainability, Strategy, Change/Performance Management and Social Sector Development. Having been part of Mahindra Group since 2012, he has played various roles under the Leadership of the Chief Sustainability Officer of Mahindra Group. Today, he is managing Strategic partnerships and alliances with multilateral organizations. With such partnerships and other engagements with

think-tanks, he is supporting towards the Group's annual green revenue portfolio growth, which stands at >\$600 mn. He has also represented private-sector voice on "actions against climate change impacts" at the summits organized by UNDP, GIZ, TERI, FICCI and CII in India and abroad. He also supports CXOs in the Group with Climate Change advocacy and their positive business impacts. In 2016, he has enabled Carbon Price for Mahindra and Mahindra and currently, also leading biodiversity protection efforts for Mahindra Group companies. Hitesh is from the charter batch of SOIL (School of Inspired Leadership) 2009-10, a business school which emphasize the leadership of values and principles.

- **Mr. Mandar Parasnis**, Senior Environment Specialist and Global ESG Lead (Manufacturing), IFC



Mandar joined IFC in January 2008 and is currently based in its East Asia and Pacific regional office in Bangkok. Mandar is responsible for ensuring that IFC's sustainability requirements are applied consistently to IFC's projects in the manufacturing industry globally, in addition working on a range of investment projects in South and East Asia. His work helps clients to identify and manage environmental and social issues and risks; and establish good practices across a wide range of sectors. Mandar holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering (Pune University, India) and a master's in environmental science and engineering (Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai). Prior to joining IFC, Mandar has worked on several international projects related to cleaner production, sustainable consumption and production, environmental policy and capacity building. He is an ISO 14001 EMS auditor/trainer, has made numerous presentations in international conferences, and has authored several publications. Mandar has over 28 years of professional experience on environmental management related projects in more than 30 countries. He has lived in India, Japan, Hong Kong and Thailand.

- **Ms. Oshani Perera**, Director, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)



Oshani Perera leads IISD's work on public procurement and infrastructure finance. She advises policy makers on planning, procuring and financing of sustainable infrastructure and innovative solutions to share risks between public and private counterparties. She serves on the OECD Expert Groups on Public Procurement, Green Finance and Long Term Finance and on the B20 Task Force on Infrastructure Finance. Oshani also works on expanding the use and scope of the Sustainable Asset Valuation (SAVi) developed by IISD and the MAVA Foundation. Before working with IISD, Oshani worked with McKinsey and Company on foreign direct investment and KMPG Sustainability Services on sustainability reporting and the advancement of corporate social responsibility. Oshani holds a BSc in Business Administration from the Cornell University, USA and University of St Gallen, Switzerland, a MSc in Natural Resource Management from the University of Strathclyde, Scotland, and a MSc in Environment Technology from the Imperial College of Science Technology and Medicine, UK. She is also an Associate of the Trinity College of Music and Drama, London.

- **Mr. Artak Melkonyan**, COO, UNDP SDG Innovative Finance



In UNDP Artak works on impact investment and innovative finance approaches to address SDGs through various engagement modes with private sector: venture accelerators, investment funds, innovative impact focused financial tools. Artak has over 25-year track record of exposure to businesses and non-profit projects in over 40 countries. Artak is involved in jury and mentor boards for innovative start-up incubation and venture acceleration platforms. He has been named amongst Top 100 Fintech for SDG Influencers and had number of speaking engagements at global convenings related to sustainable businesses and impact investments worldwide.

Before joining UNDP, Artak headed large venture philanthropy fund in Eastern Europe; prior to that he was Senior VP with Dun & Bradstreet and led expansion of the company's financial and business information infrastructure business in Middle East, South Asia and Africa. His previous experience includes management roles in private equity, Big4, banking, top government and international organizations.

Artak earned master's degrees in AUA, State Engineering University of Armenia, and graduated executive programs at Georgetown University and INSEAD.

Moderator: Ms. Luz Fernandez, Program Officer, SWITCH-Asia Regional Policy Advocacy Component, UN Environment ROAP



Luz Fernandez has over 13 years of professional experience as a project manager, consultant and researcher working with socio-environmental and climate change projects at different levels and with different donors in Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. Currently she works as a Programme Officer at the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment), where she is responsible for the overall coordination of the SWITCH-Asia Regional Policy Advocacy Component, a project funded by the European Union to support Sustainable Consumption and

Production in targeted countries in Asia. Before joining UN Environment, Luz was working at the Climate Change Division of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) where she worked with climate finance and provided technical advice to the incorporation of climate change elements during the design and implementation of sectorial projects funded by the IDB. She was educated as an Environmental Engineer and holds master's degrees in Environmental Engineering and Management from the School of Industrial Organization in Madrid, and in Environment and Development from King's College of London. She also holds a PhD from the Technical University of Madrid with a thesis focused on the pro-poor co-benefits of the carbon markets.

4:45-5:00pm	Day 1 Wrap up	Ms. Sweta Saxena , Chief, Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis, UNESCAP
Time	Day 2: Friday, 18 October 2019	Speakers
9:00am	Welcome back!	Ms. Sweta Saxena , Chief, Macroeconomic Policy and Analysis, UNESCAP
9:15-10:30am	<p>Session 6: Sustainability in lifestyles- what types of changes are needed to achieve sustainable living</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Le Ba Viet Bach, Senior Officer, SCP office, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Viet Nam <div data-bbox="266 1524 436 1751" data-label="Image"> </div> Le Ba Viet Bach works as a senior officer of Department of Energy efficiency and Sustainable development, Ministry of Industry and Trade (MOIT), in charge of energy efficiency, sustainable consumption and production. He has 19 years of working experience in environment, climate change, cleaner production, sustainable consumption and production, and energy efficiency. MOIT is Viet Nam's focal point on sustainable consumption and production, energy efficiency and conservation. Currently, he is a secretary of technical working group of new Viet Nam National Action Plan on Sustainable Consumption and Production for period 2020 – 2030. He is also the focal point of ASEAN Cooperation of Energy Efficiency. 	

- **Professor Vijay G. Habbu**, Adjunct Professor, Institute of Chemical Technology



Vijay G. Habbu is a BTech and MTech from UDCT (Mumbai), now ICT; PhD from the Univ. of Leeds, UK in Polymer Science; Post-doctoral fellow at the Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA researching in high performance Materials; a chartered colourist & a Fellow of Society of Dyers and Colourists (UK) - CCol, FSDC. Dr. Habbu was a senior scientist and head of Polymer Processing Dept. at NCL, Pune; was with Reliance since 1994 as R&D head of Reliance Polyester at retirement. Presently, he is a Distinguished Fellow of Polymer Science at Institute of Chemical Technology (ICT), Mumbai; teaches

polymer science at various institutes; is consulting for Sustainability Assurance for Reliance's Petchem Sector; is a technical advisor to PET industry associations (PACE and PCMA) spearheading Sustainability thoughts and actions. His engagement in the government includes him being an expert member on several committees (e.g. Indian Pharmacopoeia, FSSAI, BIS); part of a lead team that is engaging with various Indian Governmental/agencies in connection with the management of Plastics in the new age; a member of the Maharashtra Govt's expert committee on Plastics.

- **Mr. Ryu Koide**, Policy Researcher, SCP, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)



Ryu Koide is a policy researcher at the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), focusing on policy analysis and data science of sustainable consumption and production (SCP) and low-carbon lifestyles. With his background in resources and environmental engineering, public policy, and statistical analysis, Koide places emphasis on interdisciplinary research analysing consumer lifestyles and evaluating policies and projects for facilitating the transition towards sustainable societies. His recent research work includes analysing the carbon footprints of consumer segments, developing impact and scalability assessment framework of sustainability projects, and assessing national policy integration of sustainable consumption and production. Before joining IGES, Koide served as a consulting engineer specialised in environmental management in Asia, Africa, and South America with a strong emphasis on capacity building of local and national governments.

- **Mr. Ning Wang**, Program Officer, National Development and Reform Commission, China






Ning Wang is the Programme Officer of Water Environment Management, and Sustainable Development Division, Department of Regional Economy, National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC). Engaged in the comprehensive management of key river basins and lakes, ecological construction and environmental improvement planning, coordinating and promoting the implementation of sustainable development strategies, as well as international exchanges and cooperation in fields related to sustainable development such as the United Nations.

Moderator: Mr. Chirag Gajjar, Senior Manager & Lead Mitigation, Climate, WRI



Chirag Gajjar leads climate mitigation at WRI India and works out of Mumbai office. In this role he leads research work on corporate carbon pricing, subnational climate action, national and sub-national GHG estimates, technical notes, trainings & capacity building, data platforms, and technical review. He lends support in outreach and is the focal point for WRI India on Science based target initiative. Chirag is conferred with responsibility of mentoring the program staff on carbon market simulation and India GHG Program. He also, helps coordinate climate programs efforts to identify new opportunities, partner collaboration, leading

technical content review and oversee research work. Chirag holds Master' Degree in Chemical Engineering

	<p>from Gujarat University, India. He is also, a certified management systems auditor for ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001, and Responsible recycling (R2).</p>
<p>10:30-10:45am</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p>10:45-12:30pm</p>	<p>Session 7: Sustainability in planning and regulation- Cost of underpricing climate risks into our financial system</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Mr. Anders Nordheim, Senior Manager, Asia Sustainable Finance, World Wildlife Fund (WWF)</p>  <p>Anders Nordheim is Senior Manager Asia Sustainable Finance at WWF based in Singapore. Previously, Anders led the UN Environment Finance Initiative ecosystems thematic, including the Natural Capital Finance Alliance secretariat and the development of the ENCORE tool to integrate natural capital risk into finance sector decision making. As head of policy and research at Eurosif he was responsible for a number of EU policy initiatives and research reports including the European SRI Study 2012. He also worked on ESG analysis with RiskMetrics Group and MSCI and has experience from private wealth management. Anders has a Master’s degree in Applied Economics from the University of Cape Town, with focus on natural resource economics and applied international trade.</p> <p>Mr. Vorapat Praneepachachon, Assistant Director, Sustainable Banking, Bank of Thailand</p>  <p>Vorapat Praneepachachon is the head of the Sustainable Banking Team under the Financial Institutions Policy Group of the Bank of Thailand. He is a career central banker, with past experience in economic policy, international relations, and central bank reserve management. Prior to joining the Financial Institutions Policy Group, Vorapat was the Personal Assistant to the Governor of the Bank of Thailand. Vorapat earned an MPA from Cornell University and a BA in economics from Dartmouth College. He is also a CFA Charterholder.</p> <p>Mr. Imansyah, Deputy Commissioner of International Affairs and Research, Indonesia Financial Services Authority (FSA)</p>  <p>Mr. Imansyah has worked with the Indonesian Financial Service Authority – Otoritas Jasa Keuangan since 2013. Previously, he spent most of his career in the area of banking policy and regulation in Bank Indonesia.</p> <p>He was part of dedicated team for Basel Core Principles (BCP) assessment, Basel II and Basel III implementation in Indonesia, risk-based supervision framework as well as a member for the Impact Study Working Group and the enhancement of the BCP under the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision initiative.</p> <p>Currently, he is the Deputy Commissioner of International Affairs and Research responsible for international affairs, anti money laundering and combating financing for terrorism (AML/CFT) and research. He completed his master’s degree from the University of Western Sydney, Westmead majoring in banking and finance in 1997.</p>

- **Mr. Benjamin Cohen**, Head of International Data Hub, Monetary and Economic Department, Bank for International Settlements (BIS)



Benjamin Cohen is Head of the International Data Hub at the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) in Basel, Switzerland who supervises a team of economists and research analysts at the BIS that compile and analyse detailed funding, credit and balance sheet data on large global banks. Previously he was Head of Financial Markets, serving as editor of the BIS Quarterly Review, and prior to that Special Adviser for International Financial Stability Policy, responsible for coordinating the BIS role in the FSB and G20 processes. He has also held positions in the secretariat of the Financial Stability Board, the Independent Evaluation Office of the International Monetary Fund, the secretariat of the Committee on the Global Financial System, and as a senior economist in the research function of the BIS. His research interests include the consequences of expected credit loss provisioning for bank lending; the impact of regulation on banks, financial markets and the economy; the structure and role of the shadow banking system; the study of volatility and liquidity in financial markets; and the causes and consequences of financial crises. He holds a PhD in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an AB in Social Studies from Harvard University.

- **Mr. Youraden Seng**, Director of Onsite Supervision Department and Member of Green Finance Working Group of Alliance for Financial Inclusion (AFI), National Bank of Cambodia

Moderator: Ms. Yuki Yasui, Asia Pacific Co-ordination Manager, UN Environment Finance Initiative



Yuki has been working on sustainable finance for the last 17 years. She moved to the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment) Asia Pacific Office in 2018 to expand UN Environment Finance Initiative activities in the region. She works towards the acceleration of the development of financial institutions that integrate sustainability as a value creation driver and which contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). She is a chartered accountant (ACA) and previously worked at

PricewaterhouseCoopers in London. She has a BSc from the London School of Economics and a MSc from the University of Oxford.

12:30-1:30pm

Lunch Break

1:30-3:45pm

Session 8: Way forward: is it a win-win situation? Can we have it all?

Panelists:

- **Mr. Charles Arden-Clarke**, Head, One Planet Network (10YFP) Secretariat, UN Environment (Please see Session 2 for Charles' biography.)
- **Mr. Daizong Liu**, Director of WRI China Ross Center for Sustainable Cities



Daizong LIU has over 20 years of experience in urban planning, urban development strategies, urban transport planning, complete street and public space design, as well as big data and quantitative methods for urban planning. He advised for Councilors' Office of the State Council, Asian Development Bank and the World Bank on sustainable transportation and low carbon urbanization. His areas of work focus multimodal urban transport systems integration, land use and transport models, public space and complete street/road safety design, technological new mobility innovation, transport carbon emissions and health benefits evaluation modelling, as well as the policy and system design for electrification mobility policy. Mr. Liu obtained Master's degree in

Civil Engineering from National University of Singapore, and Bachelor's degree in Transportation

Engineering from Southeast University in China. Prior to joining WRI, he worked 10 years for China Sustainable Transportation Center of Energy Foundation as a senior program associate, and 3 years for CPG Consultancy Company in Singapore as the transport project manager. Mr. Liu co-authored three books and published more than 10 professional papers. He established the theory of CSTOUR (Comprehensive Solution for Transit Oriented Urban Redevelopment) in 2013 based on his 20 years' work experience in transit development in over 20 Chinese cities.

- **Ms. Cristina Martinez**, Senior Specialist, Environment and Decent Work, International Labor Organization (ILO)



Cristina Martinez is Senior Specialist on Environment and Decent Work at the ILO Regional office for Asia-Pacific in Bangkok; she is part of the ILO Global Team on Green Jobs and the Green Initiative. Previously Cristina has worked at the following organizations: (i) the Asian Development Bank (ADB) as an Education Specialist (skills and Employment); (ii) the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) where she held positions as Advisor of the Knowledge Sharing Alliance at the Secretary General Office and Senior Policy Analyst at the OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs and Local Development (CFE); and (iii) Western Sydney University as an Associate Professor.

At ADB she contributed to ADB's vision of an Asia and Pacific region free of poverty by improving education systems and the link between skills and jobs, modernizing workforce learning through knowledge intensive activities, and fostering TVET strategies for inclusive growth. At the OECD she was responsible for implementing the OECD's knowledge sharing agenda with non-member countries through leveraging the OECD's multi-disciplinary expertise, engaging in mutual learning processes with emerging and developing economies, and increasing impacts by working closely with multi- and bilateral organisations having a field presence. She supported OECD's enhanced engagement with partner countries through policy analysis, dialogue and collaboration on key strategic priorities. She was the Manager of the Employment and Skills Strategies in South-East Asia (ESSSA) Initiative. She was the founder and convenor of the OECD Green Skills Forum. Cristina is an Adjunct Fellow, Dean's Unit, School of Social Sciences and Psychology, Western Sydney University, affiliated with the Humanitarian and Development Research Initiative (HADRI).

- **Mr. Michael Williamson**, Chief, Energy Division, UNESCAP



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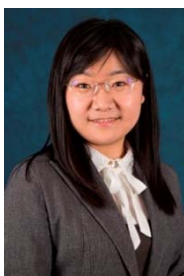
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