Unpacking COP28 and looking forward to COP29 – How Transition Finance Underpins Our Net Zero and Nature Positive Future







Unpacking COP28 and looking forward to COP29 – How Transition Finance Underpins Our Net Zero and Nature Positive Future

by International Sustainable Finance Centre of Excellence

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With the support of Skillnet Ireland, the Irish-based International Sustainable Finance Centre of Excellence (ISFCOE) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Financial Centres for Sustainability (FC4S) Network are hosting a day of four virtual sessions centred on key themes in transition finance in relation to both a net zero and nature positive future.

Convening leaders from the public and private sectors for a series of high-level dialogues, this event will reflect on recent COP28 outcomes while looking forward to COP29 in Baku in mid-November (and October's Biodiversity COP16). Discussions will delve into the financial solutions, products and architecture required to support the meeting of net zero and nature positive targets, while maintaining social and economic balance.

Key topics to be discussed include emerging net zero and nature positive finance policy frameworks; regulatory approach in various jurisdictions; role of sectoral pathways and corporate net zero and nature positive plans in guiding investors towards transition activities; advantages and challenges of various debt instruments; and building out the talent pool.

Panel 1: 9am – 10.15am Unpacking COP28, The Impact on Europe's Financial Services Sector

Moderator



Stephen Nolan MD, UNDP FC4S

Speakers



<u>Dr Ma-Jun</u> Founder and President of the Institute of Finance and Sustainability



Mercedes Vela Monserrate
CEO of the Global Climate Finance
Centre (GCFC)



Eric Usher
Head, UN Environment Programme
Finance Initiative



Antoni Ballabriga Global Head of Responsible Business, Bank BBBA

Panel 2: 10.45am – 12pm How Transition Finance Will Make or Break Ireland's Net-Zero Future

Moderator



Stephen Nolan MD, UNDP FC4S

Speakers



<u>Eoin Fahy</u> Head of Responsible Investing, KBI Global Investors



<u>Janice Daly</u>
Partner, Sustainability Advisory,
Grant Thornton



Mike Hayes

KPMG Partner, Global Lead Climate & Decarbonization / Global Head of Renewable Energy

Panel 3: 1pm – 2.15pm Transition Plans: Role of Regulators and Financial Institutions in Realising COP28 outcomes

Moderator



Stephen Nolan MD, UNDP FC4S

Speakers



<u>Frank Elderson</u> ECB Executive Board Member



<u>Claudine Blamey</u> Global Director of Climate Change, Aviva



<u>Niall O'Leary</u> Chief Sustainability Officer for Irish Life Investment Managers



<u>David Carlin</u>
TCFD Programme Lead, UNEP
Finance Initiative

Panel 4: 3pm – 4.15pm A Look Forward to 2024 Climate COP29 and Biodiversity COP16

Moderator



Stephen Nolan MD, UNDP FC4S

Speakers



Commissioner
Ricardo Lara
Insurance
Commissioner State
of California



<u>Mark Halle</u> Senior Advisor UNDP FC4S



Thomas Viegas
Partnerships Lead,
TNFD



<u>Pamela Schuermans</u> Principal Expert on Insurance Policy, EIOPA



<u>Cassie Flynn</u> Global Director of Climate Change, UNDP

More expert speakers to be confirmed...

Additional Details

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Date And Time

27-02-2024 @ 09:00 AM to 27-02-2024 @ 04:15 PM

Registration End Date

27-02-2024

Location

Online event

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