# September 27 - October 1, 2021

	Day 1 - Monday, 27 September 2021		
	All times displayed in ET		
10:00 - 10:30	Welcome and Opening Keynote		
	Fanny Doucet, Director, Sustainable Finance, <b>Scotiabank</b> In conversation with Hugh Wheelan, Co-Founder & Joint Managing Director, <b>Responsible Investor</b>		
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10:45 - 11:45	Plenary 1 - Assessing the 'S' in ESG: including the risks and opportunities linked to financing a Just Transition		
	Canada's resource intensive economy will require creative thinking to transition its human and economic capital to green: how can a large country do that?		
	Assessing the similar big 'S' risks, such as human and labour rights: can we really talk about investment 'materiality' here, or do new business models and recalcitrant countries just ride roughshod over any financial implications?		
	Speakers Paul Finch, Treasurer and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, BC Government Employees Union (BCGEU) Tom Tayler, Senior Manager, Aviva Investors Sustainable Finance Centre for Excellence and UN High Level Climate Champions Finance Team Rosa van den Beemt, Vice President, Responsible Investment Analyst, BMO Global Asset Management Priti Shokeen, Vice President & Director - ESG Research & Engagement, TD Asset Management Carol Wilding, President and CEO, CPA Ontario		
	Moderator Hugh Wheelan, Co-Founder & Joint Managing Director, Responsible Investor		
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12:00 - 12:45	Deep-dive 1: Clean energy finance goes Big: Canadian pensions roundtable  Canada's huge pension funds have financial muscle and the structure to take big risks: how set up are they for the opportunities of the green energy transition and what are they doing to future proof their investment portfolios?		
	Speakers Caroline Lester, Senior Associate, CPP Investments Stéphane Villemain, Vice President, Corporate Social Responsibility, Ivanhoé Cambridge Matthew Kiernan, Executive Chairman, Invest Green, Inc.		

	Moderator Layalee Ramahi, North America Network Coordinator, United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
13:00 - 13:45	Deep dive 2: ESG in agricultural investing in the Americas
	With agricultural land investing continuing to be popular, what lessons are Canadian investors learning across the continent about ESG risks in the asset class? Is regenerative agriculture possible at scale and what are the biggest supply chain risks linked to key agricultural commodities, from soya beans to corn?
	Speakers Marcus Wignell, COO, NewAg Partners Nyasha Fidelis, Project Coordinator, Agriculture & Soil Mitigation Projects, Climate Neutral Group
	Moderator Carmen Barker Lemay, Head of Strategic Partnerships, International Institute for Rural Reconstruction (IIRR)

Day 2 - Tuesday, 28 September 2021		
10:00 - 11:00	Plenary 2: The future of climate-aligned stewardship - Climate Engagement Canada: its answer to ClimateAction100+	
	How are Canadian investors working to accelerate the energy transition in a systematic manner? What new data is required to manage the net zero transition, and how is domestic policy supporting or hindering this?	
	Speakers Daniel Simard, CEO, Bâtirente Jennifer Story, Associate Director, Climate Advocacy, SHARE Thomas O'Neill, Director, Universal Owner Adam Matthews, Chief Responsible Investment Officer, Church of England Pensions Board Margaret Childe, Head of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) - Canada, Manulife Investment Management	
	Moderator Lindsey Walton, Head of Canada, UN-PRI	
	Manulife Investment Management	

11:15 - 12:10	Deep-dive 3: Global perspectives on impact investing with indigenous communities
	What does co-investing with indigenous peoples look like across the Americas? What blended finance structures can protect cultural and environmental assets while also ensuring healthy long term returns?  Speakers
	Mark Podlasly, Economic Policy Director, <b>First Nations Major Projects Coalition</b> Carla Fredericks, Executive Director, <b>The Christensen Fund</b>
	Joan M. Larrea, CEO, <b>Convergence</b> David Isaac, CEO, <b>W Dusk Energy Group Inc.</b>
	Moderator Hugh Wheelan, Co-Founder & Joint Managing Director, Responsible Investor
12:15 - 13:00	Deep Dive 4: Mandatory TCFD in North America and beyond
	How are companies and fund managers responding to the challenge of mandatory TCFD reporting? What comes next, and how are investors planning to accelerate scenario analysis with better data?
	Speakers Michael Zimonyi, Policy & External Affairs Director, CDSB Aurèle M. Houngbedji, Head of Climate Risk, IFC Sarah Takaki, Senior Director, Sustainable Investing, Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan
	Moderator Khalid Azizuddin, Reporter, Responsible Investor

Day 3 - Wednesday, 29 September 2021		
10:00 - 11:00	Plenary 3: Green taxonomies & economic transformation	
	Can technocrats & investment taxonomies accelerate a top-down energy transition to net zero or will vested interests block progress? How might Canada's approach build on and distinguish itself from the fraught taxonomy debates in Europe?	
	Speakers Barbara Zvan, President & CEO, University Pension Plan Ontario Maryam Golnaraghi, Director - Climate Change & Environment, The Geneva Association Andreas Hoepner, Professor of Operational Risk, Banking & Finance, University College Dublin, and Member, EU's Platform for Sustainable Finance Eila Kreivi, Director, Head of Capital Markets, European Investment Bank Peter Johnson, Director, Sustainable Finance, Scotiabank  Moderator	
	Sophie Robinson-Tillett, Editor, Responsible Investor	

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## 11:15 - 12:00

Deep dive 5: SDG investing for a sustainable blue economy: from Antigua to the Arctic

How can Canada's oceans expertise support global sustainable investing in fisheries, aquaculture, tourism, and new technology areas? Which investors are leading the way? Is Canada's Blue Economy Strategy changing how global asset allocators consider investing in this theme?

#### **Speakers**

Dennis Fritsch, Project Coordinator, Sustainable Blue Economy Finance, **UNEP-FI** Melody Pardoe, Chief Engagement Officer, **Canada's Ocean Supercluster** John Virdin, Director, Ocean and Coastal Policy Program, **Duke University** 

#### Moderator

Gina Gambetta, Reporter, Responsible Investor

# Day 4 - Friday, 1 October 2021

# 10:00 - 11:00

Plenary 4: Decarbonising the Canadian economy to net zero: what will that mean for investor portfolios in the short, medium and long term?

What actions are needed to achieve a Net Zero economy in Canada? How can Canadian investors remain competitive in a low carbon economy? Update on the Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance

#### Speakers:

Michel Léveillée, Director, Climate Risk and Issues, CDPQ
Kingsmill Bond, Energy Strategist, Carbon Tracker Initiative
Divya Mankikar, Global Head of ESG Market Engagement, S&P Global
Christian Felx, Head of Responsible Investment, Desjardins Global Asset Management

#### **Moderator:**

Hugh Wheelan, Co-Founder & Joint Managing Director, Responsible Investor



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# 11:15 - 12:15

Deep Dive 6: After an abnormally hot summer, how are Canadian investors assessing climate risk and other burgeoning ESG concerns in the built environment and their real estate exposure?

Is climate risk intensifying concerns on physical risk, insurance, energy costs and asset depreciation? How has COVID19 highlighted the need for property investors in real estate to engage with building occupants to address ESG concerns and future proof buildings? Monitoring ESG issues as an indirect investor in real estate.

Colin Lynch, Managing Director and Head of Global Real Estate Investments, TD Asset Management

Kris Kolenc, Manager, Research & Sustainability, REALPAC Tony Vadacchino, VP Real Estate, AIMCo Catherine Ann Marshall, Principal, RealAlts

#### Moderator:

Hugh Wheelan, Co-Founder & Joint Managing Director, Responsible Investor



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### 13:30 - 14:30

# Deep Dive 7: Canadian banks and insurers: climate risk stress testing and scenario analysis

How can Canadian banks define, measure and build resilience to climate-related risks? Is regulatory action needed to create standards and best practices for climate risk management in the banking sector?

How is scenario analysis being done in Canada and what does it mean for financing?

# Speakers:

Ellen Quigley, Senior Research Associate in Climate Risk & Sustainable Finance, Cambridge University Centre for the Study of Existential Risk & Advisor to the Chief Financial Officer, University of Cambridge

Mark Narron, Senior Director, Fitch Ratings Robert G. Eccles, Strategic Adviser, **Persefoni** Therese Feng, VP of Research, The Climate Service

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