WC-CMD-ACMF Joint Sustainable Finance Working Group Industry Advisory Panel

The ASEAN Capital Markets Forum (ACMF) and the ASEAN Working Committee on Capital Market Development (WC-CMD) have established an Industry Advisory Panel (IAP) as their core industry interaction point to actively engage the private sector on ACMF and WC-CMD's sustainable finance agenda and initiatives. The IAP will assist the ACMF and WC-CMD to better understand the views, ideas and needs of the private sector, and it will also serve as an avenue for ACMF and WC-CMD to share their perspectives with the industry.

The IAP currently comprises 22 member organisations from the three main segments of the financial ecosystem – capital markets, banking and insurance, as well as other finance professionals and financial services providers including from the legal, accounting and credit rating fields. The members also represent a mix of both regional and global interests. The Sustainable Finance Institute Asia (SFIA) has been appointed as convener of the IAP.

As the key industry interaction point on sustainable finance for ACMF and WC-CMD, the IAP will be an advocate for the ASEAN sustainable finance agenda, contribute ideas and resources, support ACMF and WC-CMD's sustainable finance initiatives, and dialogue with ACMF and WC-CMD on sustainable finance issues.

The IAP operates under the auspices of the WC-CMD-ACMF Joint Sustainable Finance Working Group (JSFWG), which coordinates the sustainable finance agenda for ACMF and WC-CMD, including the implementation of the recommendations in the ACMF Roadmap for ASEAN Sustainable Capital Markets (Roadmap) and the WC-CMD Report on Promoting Sustainable Finance in ASEAN (Report).

In addition, the JSFWG also aims to foster deeper collaboration between the ASEAN capital markets agencies and stakeholders on sustainable finance, so as to ensure that the views and needs of industry stakeholders are appropriately taken into consideration in regulatory policy-making and market development efforts for sustainable finance.

Both the Roadmap and the Report promote enhanced and more structured engagement and co-ordination between the capital market regulators and market players on sustainable finance in order to take the agenda forward in ASEAN. The establishment of the IAP supports this goal. The IAP will also connect their industry peers to the JSFWG and involve them in IAP activities, thus enlarging the sphere and coverage of engagement. The JSFWG and the IAP will engage regularly, thus ensuring two-way communication between the regulators and policymakers, and the industry.

The JSFWG and the IAP have identified four areas that are immediately key to enhancing the sustainable finance landscape. These are – (i) a Sustainable Finance Taxonomy for ASEAN; (ii) Disclosures; (iii) Strengthening Demand and Supply for Sustainable Finance; and (iv) Transition Standards. The IAP has established four Working Groups to specifically address these topics. In April 2022 the Working Group on Disclosures was enhanced to look at Disclosures and Data as two discrete but intertwined areas and a result, two subgroups were established within this Working Group. These Working Groups will be inviting other industry members to participate in or contribute to their efforts.

Members of the IAP and their involvement in the Working Groups are listed in the table below. The ACMF and WC-CMD look forward to working with the IAP and other stakeholders in advancing the sustainable finance agenda in ASEAN.

Working Group on the ASEAN Sustainable Finance Taxonomy		
Organisation	Representative(s)	
Chair: Nomura Asset Management Group	Mr Toshiyuki Imamura, Managing Director, Responsible Investment Department	
abrdn Asia Limited	Mr David Smith, Senior Investment Director	
RAM Sustainability Sdn Bhd	Mr Promod Dass, CEO Ms Gladys Chua, Head, Sustainability Services	
Government Pension Fund of Thailand	Dr. Srikanya Yathip, Secretary General Dr. Man Juttijudata, Deputy Secretary General, Investment Strategy and External Fund Management Group	

Working Group on Disclosures		
Organisation	Representative(s)	
i) Co-Chair (Disclosure): ING Bank	i) Ms Rowena Palmiery-Bayoneta, Manila Branch Head, Debt Capital Markets	
ii) Co-Chair (Data): DBS Bank	ii) Mr Helge Muenkel, Chief Sustainability Officer	
Allianz Investment Management Singapore (Data)	Ms Ritu Arora, CEO & CIO Asia	
Indonesia Corporate Secretary Association (ICSA) (Disclosure)	Ibu Reski Damayanti, Vice-Chair	
	Ibu Ratna Hidayati, Member of Communication and Media Industry	
PwC Malaysia (Disclosure)	Dato' Mohammad Faiz Azmi, Executive Chairman	
	Mr Andrew WK Chan, Leader of Sustainability and Climate Change	
PT. Pemeringkat Efek Indonesia (PEFINDO) (Data)	Mr. Hendro Utomo, Rating Director	
	Mr. Kreshna Dwinanta Armand, Assistant Vice President	
Dragon Capital Vietfund Management Joint Stock Company (Disclosure)	Mr. Dominic Scriven, Chairman	

Working Group on Strengthening Demand and Supply for Sustainable Finance		
Organisation	Representative(s)	
Chair: Maybank Investment Bank Berhad	Dato' Fad'l Mohamed, CEO Mr Wong Kwok Kuan, Regional Head of Debt Markets, Maybank Kim Eng	
BNP Paribas Asset Management	Ms Angelia Chin Sharpe, CEO & Country Head Malaysia	
Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP	Mr Raymond Tong, Partner Mr Ahmad Fikri Assegaf, Partner and Co-founder, Assegaf Hamzah & Partners	
Standard Chartered Bank Philippines	Ms Lynette Ortiz, CEO	
Bank of Ayudhya Public Company Limited (Krungsri)	Ms Jamjun Siriganjanavong, Senior Director, Head of Debt Capital Market Department, Investment Banking Group Mr Chakrit Hansirisawasdi, Director	
SBI Royal Securities Plc	Mr Seng Chan Thoeun, CEO Mr. Shuzo Shikata, Director	

Working Group on Transition Standards		
Organisation	Representative(s)	
Chair: The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC)	Mr Gautam Mukharya, Chief Risk Officer, HSBC Singapore Mr Kelvin Tan, Managing Director, Head of Sustainable Finance & Investments, ASEAN Ms Mimi Concha, Head of Global Banking, HSBC Philippines	
Baker McKenzie	Mr Gavin Raftery, Partner, Baker McKenzie, Tokyo Mr Adam Farlow, Partner, Baker McKenzie, London	
International Capital Market Association (ICMA)	Mr Mushtaq Kapasi, Managing Director & Chief Representative for APAC Ms Simone Utermarck, Director, Sustainable Finance	
MUFG Bank	Mr Shivanan Sivarajah, Head of Project Finance Asia Mr John Bradley, Vice President – Sector Coverage & Acquisition Finance	

Working Group on Transition Standards	
Organisation	Representative(s)
Climargy Inc.	Mr. Alexander Ablaza, CEO Mr. Mikhael Fiorello C. Llado, Head of Investment Operations

Convener of the IAP		
Organisation	Representative	
SFIA	Mr Donough Foley	