

**Westminster Business Forum policy conference:
Next steps for UK transition finance and green industrial strategy**

Timing: Morning, Friday, 18th October 2024

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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Jennie Gleed, Senior Strategy Advisor, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
- 9.05 **Key findings and recommendations from the Transition Finance Market Review**
Vanessa Havard-Williams, Chair, Transition Finance Market Review
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Financial and market implications of the TFMR**
Irem Yerdelen, Lead Member, Sustainable Finance, City of London Corporation
- 9.45 **Assessing implications of the TFMR conclusions and what priorities should be for the Government**
government policy priorities and plans on transition finance | key implications for stakeholders | ambitions for the UK's positioning as a global leader | the future for the 2023 Green Finance Strategy | addressing issues for taxonomy, reporting and transparency | investor confidence and options for mitigating risk | the role of transition finance within the broader financial and investment landscape | coordination of transition finance policy and regulation with industrial strategy | the National Wealth Fund, Great British Energy and wider environmental and decarbonisation ambitions | addressing concerns and differential impacts in policy and regulatory development
Dr Gireesh Shrimali, Head, Transition Finance Research, Oxford Sustainable Finance Group
Elena Pérez Celis, Head, Policy and Public Affairs, Bankers for Net Zero
Alex Lombos, Lawyer, ClientEarth
Richard Lowe, Director, Energy Consenting and Development, Arup
Edd Denbee, Deputy Director, Public Policy, GFANZ
- 10.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **'Scaling finance for the transition: Government leadership at the centre of a whole-of-system response'**
Mark Manning, Visiting Senior Fellow, London School of Economics and Political Science
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 Break
- 11.30 **Priorities for the work of Transition Plan Taskforce**
Patrick Arber, Group Head, Government Engagement, Sustainability, Aviva
- 11.40 **The way forward for transition finance development**
the future for development, timescales and use of mandatory and sector-specific transition plans | integrating the work of the Taskforce | latest thinking on transition-related abatement of legacy power generation and high-carbon industries | projects such as CCUS Vision | options for support | transition plans within the TFMR and wider decarbonisation strategy landscape | the National Wealth Fund | wider aims for a just transition | the role of transition plans in supporting investment decisions | stakeholder views on how government might best support timely development | attracting investment
Kate Levick, Associate Director, Finance and Resilience, E3G; and Co-Head, Transition Plan Taskforce Secretariat
Ryan Jude, Programme Director, Green Taxonomy, Green Finance Institute
Ross Glover, CEO, Star Energy Group
Rowena van de Grampel, Counsel, Finance Team, Herbert Smith Freehills
Jo Paisley, President, GARP Risk Institute
- 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Next steps for UK transition finance policy and market development and linkages to the new industrial strategy**
Kim Wilkinson, Head, Sustainable Finance Unit, HM Treasury
Amy Jenkins, Deputy Director, UK Net Zero Investment and Green Finance, UK Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Jennie Gleed, Senior Strategy Advisor, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Thomas Howard, Westminster Business Forum