

Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Investors: More Risks, More Opportunities through better Governance

A preparatory webinar for the 4th Asia-Pacific Water Summit on Water for Sustainable Development -Best Practices and the Next Generation-

Speaker: Mr. Howard Bamsey, Chair, Global Water Partnership (GWP)

Date &
Time

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14:00-15:00 (Japan Time)

Overview: The world can deal with the potentially catastrophic risks of climate change only by changing the pattern of investment in the global economy to climate-friendly activity. But to do that, a different set of risks have to be addressed, the risks perceived by investors to be inevitable in new technologies and new geographies, often in both at the same time. Increased transparency of climate risks and the gradual greening of the global financial system are helpful trends. Blended finance, using relatively risk-tolerant public funds to pave the way for risk-averse private funds is important but is not yet available in sufficient volume even when robust returns are in promise in emissions mitigation activity such as renewable energy. In the climate adaptation task, critical for most developing countries, investment is lagging badly. Improved governance, particularly in water resource management, the pillar of adaptation, is essential for increasing both public and private investment. The Global Water Partnership provides a tried and effective model for strong governance of water resources, enhanced water security and a platform for successful adaptation.

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Mr. Howard Bamsey, Chair, Global Water Partnership (GWP)



Howard Bamsey is Chair of the Global Water Partnership and Honorary Professor in the School of Regulation and Global Governance at the Australian National University. He is member of the Board of the Climate Policy Initiative and Climate Works Australia. He was previously Executive Director at the Green Climate Fund and Director General of the Global Green Growth Institute.

Earlier he was Australia's Special Envoy on Climate Change and a senior Australian public servant. He held several appointments at ambassadorial level in the Australian foreign service. Bamsey was educated at the University of Queensland and the Harvard Business School.

Agenda

Time	Event	Content	Facilitator / Speakers
14:00	Technical introduction		Yumiko Asayama, APWF Secretariat
14:02	Opening remarks		Ravi Narayanan, Chair, APWF
14:07	Presentation	"Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Investors: More Risks, More Opportunities through better Governance"	Howard Bamsey, Chair Global Water Partnership
14:30	3-minute Video Contributions on Best Practices	NGO-Government-private sector cooperation Youth perspective	Fany Wedahuditama, GWP South East Asia Minh Nguyen, Youth Project Designer at Asian Development Bank's Youth for Asia initiative
14:37	Q&A		Ravi Narayanan
14:57	Closing		Yumiko Asayama
15:00	End of Event		

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It works collaboratively with a wide variety of water-related organizations in the region to build capacity and enhance cooperation, while boosting investment at the regional level and beyond.

Now, the APWF is planning to hold the 4th Asia-Pacific Water Summit (the 4th APWS) in Kumamoto City, Japan in near future. In the 4th APWS, high-level delegates including heads of state and government and representatives of international organizations in the Asia-Pacific region will discuss various water-related issues. (<http://apwf.org/>)

The APWF Webinar Series is organized as a part of the preparation for the 4th APWS. It aims to provide the government officials of the 49 countries in Asia and the Pacific with the learning opportunities about water and water-related issues highlighted from different perspectives.

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