Scaling up Green Finance in Asia:

The Role of Policies and Regulations

The Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change in their latest report noted that mobilization of climate finance is critical to limit global warming to 1.5◦C, and to prevent catastrophic climate change. To fully implement the Paris Agreement, US$ 1.5 trillion of green financing is required every year till 2030. Although it is hard to estimate the level of current low-carbon investments, it is evident that there is a huge gap. Increasing low-carbon investments to the level necessary for the 1.5◦C pathway requires a major shift in investment patterns. This shift would require government policies to redirect financial resources. Also, government policies are playing an increasingly important role in efforts to mainstream green finance.

To facilitate discussion and provide feasible recommendations for policy-makers in Asia, the Energy Studies Institute (ESI) is organising a workshop on "Scaling up Green Finance in Asia: The Role of Policies and Regulations." Researchers and practitioners from academia, government institutions and NGOs are welcome to contribute to the discussion.

Date:

Tuesday, 30 April 2019

Time:

8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Venue:

ESI Conference Room, 29 Heng Mui Keng Terrace, Block A, #10-01, Singapore 119620

Admission:

Free, but registration is compulsory

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08:55	**Opening remarks** by *Dr. Dina Azhgaliyeva*, Research fellow, Energy Studies Institute, National University of Singapore, Singapore
09:00	**Community Sustainability Through Geothermal Energy: A Case in a Tokyo Island** by *Prof. Aki Suwa*, Professor, Kyoto Women's University, Japan
09:30	**Regulating Green Bond in China: Definitional divergence and implications for policy making** by *Dr. Hao Zhang*, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
10:00	**Analysing the Falling Solar and Wind Tariffs: Evidence from India** by *Manu Aggarwal*, Programme Associate, Council on Energy, Environment and Water, India
10:30	**Tea and coffee break**
10:45	**Policy Reform for Supporting Green Bond Proliferation in the Asian Market** by *Amit Datta Roy*, Senior Research Fellow, and *Riasat Noor*, Head of Research, Publication and Outreach, The Institute for Policy, Advocacy and Governance (IPAG), Bangladesh
11:15	**Getting Financial Markets to Work for Climate Investments** by *Dhruba Purkayastha*, Director of US-India Clean Energy Finance (USICEF), Climate Policy Initiative, India
11:45	**The Effectiveness of Policy Support in Promoting Green Bonds: Empirical Evidence** by *Dr. Dina Azhgaliyeva*, Research fellow, Energy Studies Institute, National University of Singapore, Singapore
12:15	**Lunch**
13:15	**Reducing power market risks to renewable energy investment in Kazakhstan: analysis and policy recommendations** by *Magzhan Sovetbek*, Schwarzman Scholar, Master's in Global Affairs degree candidate at Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
13:30	**Green Bonds for Financing Green Buildings and Renewable Energy in ASEAN Countries: A Review** by *Anant Kapoor*, Final year bachelor's student, Singapore Management University
13:45	**Developing Green Finance in Malaysia's Islamic Developmental State** by *Felicia H M Liu*, PhD Candidate, King's College London, National University of Singapore
14:00	**From Proposal to Publication: Academic Publishing in the Humanities & Social Sciences** by *Dr. Shu Chunyan*, Editor, BRILL
14:30 - 15:00	**Next steps towards publication (presenters/authors only)**