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DAY 1 - 4 APR 2023, TUESDAY

- 08:00 Conference Registration & Morning Coffee.
- 09:00 **CMT's & Chairperson's Welcome.**
*Patrick Suckling, Asia Chair and Managing Director
Pollination Group*
- 09:10 **Nature-based solution as option to support Sime Darby Plantation's Science Based Target Initiative (SBTI) net-zero commitment.**
*Hirzun Mohd Yusof, Head Innovation & New Ventures,
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad*
- 09:30 **Driving Ambitions towards Climate, Nature & People from the Lens of Private Sector.**
*Nadine Zamira Syarief, Sustainability & ESG Manager,
APRIL Group*
- 09:50 **Creating a Business Model for Biodiversity.**
*Keyvan Macedo, Sustainability Director / Vice Chair ICC,
Natura & Co*
- 10:10 **Business Case to Implement Nature Based Solution for Biochar**
*Dr. Hishmi Jamil Husain, Head Biodiversity, Corporate Sustainability,
Tata Steel*
- 10:30 Networking & Coffee Break.
- 11:00 **Role of Biodiversity Credits in a Nature-Positive World**
*Sinclair Vincent, Director, Sustainable Development Programs & Markets,
Verra*
- 11:20 **What Role can the Private Sector Play in Developing Natural Capital Projects?**
*Martin Lemoine, Unit Head, Agribusiness & Officer-in-Charge, Singapore
Asian Development Bank*
- 11:40 **Panel Discussion: Private Sector in Nature-Based Solutions.**
Moderated by:
*Patrick Suckling, Asia Chair and Managing Director
Pollination Group (Pollination Foundation)*

*Hirzun Mohd Yusof, Head Innovation & New Ventures
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*Siti Syaliza Mustapha, Deputy Secretary General & COO
PEFC International*

*Dr. Hishmi Jamil Husain, Head Biodiversity, Corporate Sustainability,
Tata Steel*

12:30 Networking & Luncheon.

13:50 **Avoidance vs. Removal Carbon Credits**
*Candace Vinke, Director, Nature based Innovations,
Verra*

14:20 **Quality over Compromise in Nature-based Carbon Solutions.**
*Dr Manjari Jayathilake, Research fellow,
NUS Centre for Nature-based Climate Solutions*

14:50 **Net Zero Operationalisation.**
*Ashley Chua, Senior Consultant,
Nature-based Solutions, South & Southeast Asia,
Environmental Resources Management*

15:20 Networking & Tea Break.

15:45 **How to Achieve Net Zero with Nature-based Solutions**
*Lucy Thomas, Chief Scientist and Managing Director,
RSK Centre for Sustainability Excellence*

16:15 **Smallholder Farmers are Part of the Solution to Combat Climate Change**
*Harm Haverkort, Lead Partnerships Asia-Pacific
ACORN at Rabobank*

16:45 **Building Nature-based Carbon Portfolios: Tech to Streamline & De-risk Quality Project Development**
*Florian Reimer, Chief Climate Officer,
Koltiva*

17:15 **Digital Monitoring, Reporting & Verification for NbS projects - Using Satellite Data & Machine Learning**
*Dr. Murray Collins, CEO & Founder
Space Intelligence*

17:45 Networking Cocktail Reception for ALL Speakers & Participants

18:45 End of Day ONE.



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DAY 2 - 5 APR 2023, WEDNESDAY

09:00 **Chairperson's Remarks**

*Florian Reimer, Chief Climate Officer
Koltiva*

09:10 **Nature-Based Opportunities in Asia Pacific**

*Jens Petersen, Director, Investments
New Forests Asia (Singapore) Pte Ltd*

09:40 **Nature as the Next Frontier of Investment: Unlocking the Financial & Environmental Benefits of Nature-Based Solutions**

*Jaïr Smits, Managing Director,
Witteveen+Bos South-East Asia Pte. Ltd.*

10:10 **Helping companies protect our remaining rainforests: Lessons learned from community-led conservation in Southeast Asia.**

*Arif Supam Wijaya, Asia Portfolio Manager,
The Forest Conservation Fund*

10:40 Networking & Coffee Break

11:10 **Private Sector Practices & Initiatives towards Sustainable Forest Management**

*Addriyanus Tantra, SFM Certification and Compliance Manager
APRIL Group*

11:40 **SAGO as Sustainable Food for a Better World**

*Fidrianto, President Director
PT Bangka Asindo Agri*

12:10 **Mapping Carbon & Co-Benefits in Tropical Forests**

*Dr. Tan Zu Dianle, Research fellow,
NUS Centre for Nature-based Climate Solutions*

12:45 Closing Discussion & Luncheon.

14:00 End of Conference.

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Investing Towards a Nature Positive Future

"There is "no credible pathway" to limiting global temperature rises to 1.5 C above pre-industrial levels" reported by the UN Environment Programme recently.

Even as the world is struggling with pressure from the pandemic and geopolitical, the call for action to meet net-zero emissions by 2050 is not laded but stronger now as COP27 is approaching. Experts have highlighted nature-based solutions (NbS) as one avenue to meet these climate and sustainability goals, towards climate resilience. NbS are actions to protect natural ecosystems that benefit people whilst contributing to tackling climate change and protecting biodiversity. Powered by Nature.

"With carbon-rich ecosystems like peatlands and mangroves, Southeast Asia has the highest global concentration for carbon prospecting for investments in nature-based solutions. The top five countries in the region in terms of return-on-investment from nature-based carbon projects are Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Cambodia and Myanmar."

~ *The Business Times, Aug 25*

According to the NUS Centre for Nature-based Climate Solutions, it is estimated that the preservation of tropical forests alone can generate US\$46 billion worth of carbon credits annually.

"Nature-based solutions could yield US\$4.3 trillion in economic value by 2030."

~ *The Business Times, Aug 25*

"Only about 133 billion dollars are channeled into nature-based solutions, and investments must triple by 2030 to meet the climate, the nature and land-neutrality targets," said Inger Andersen, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme.

As the bulk of the current investment are publicly funded, there is a strong appeal for the private sector to be involved. NbS and Nature-based derived carbon credits present opportunity for businesses and investors to mitigate the climate risks in their business operation and supply chain, as well as investment options towards sustainability.

What are the challenges to develop credible high-quality NbS? How can more public-private partnership be fostered to accelerate the realisation of these growth? How can the private sector (corporates and SMEs) get involved or invest in these nature-based projects?

CMT's Net Zero with Nature-based Solutions aims to present insights from international experts and stakeholders panel to address

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pertinent issues in developing nature-based solutions, including:

- Asia's Move towards Climate Resilience - Tackling Climate Mitigation & Adaptation.
- Avoiding Greenwashing – Prioritising Transparency & Good Governance.
- High-Quality NBS Projects – Accounting for Biodiversity & Benchmarking Tools.
- Biodiversity & NBS Opportunities in Asia Pacific.
- Blended/Natural Finance As Source for Funding.
- Voluntary Carbon Market for Additional Funding Stream too?
- Getting Private Sector's Involved – Corporates Taking Action or the Lead in NBS.
- Enable NBS with Nature Tech, for Monitoring & Scalability.

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