

# 2<sup>ND</sup> NET ZERO with NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS

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## DAY 1 - 23 APR 2024, TUESDAY

08:00 Registration & Networking Tea/Coffee

### 09:00 **Chairman's Introduction**

*Peter Stephen, Regional Director, Asia-Pacific, EcoSecurities*

### 09:10 **Navigating the Policy Landscape - Regulatory Frameworks and Incentives for NbS Development**

- Overview of existing/new policies and regulations related to NbS
- Identify gaps and inconsistencies in policy frameworks that hinder NbS adoption.
- Highlight successful policy initiatives that incentivize and enable NbS projects in specific regions.
- Explore diverse incentive mechanisms like carbon markets, tax breaks, subsidies, and payment for ecosystem services.

*Bhagyesh Dash, Director Climate Investments, APAC, South Pole Group (Representative Office)*

### 09:40 **Bridging the Financing Gap - Funding, Partnerships, and Market Strategies across company lifecycle of Nature-Based Solutions**

- Discuss the limited access to traditional financing due to perceived risks, unproven business models, and long payback periods.
- How can fund managers actively support NbS companies to build up their growth strategy and work as long-term partners.
- Share successful case studies of NbS companies that bridged the valley of death and scaled up their impact.
- Explore how cutting-edge technologies like AI and data analytics can improve risk assessment and bring sustainable value creation to attract investors.

*Antoine Raes, Investment Director, Mirova - affiliate of Natixis Investment Managers*

### 10:10 **Building Carbon Markets 2.0: How Remote Sensing Data Can Provide Confidence In NbS Beyond The Standards**

- Carbon market trends and challenges
  - Remote sensing use cases
  - Considerations when using remote sensing data
  - Case Study: Cambodia deforestation analysis
- Dr. Murray Collins, CEO & Founder, Space Intelligence*



10:40 Networking Tea/Coffee Break

### 11:10 **Setting the Stage: Preparing for a model NbS Project**

- What qualifies to be a true Nature-based Solution-redefining quality
- The ground work that is required – the project before the project
- Creating a sense of ownership - Community buy-in, benefit sharing mechanism
- Share inspirational examples of model NbS projects in the making - Great Green Wall of Gujarat, India

*Chinmaya Thonse, Regional Director, Asia, Goodcarbon*

### 11:40 **Community-Based Blue Carbon Projects: Empowering Local Stakeholders for Effective Conservation**

- How can we ensure the long-term sustainability and effectiveness of blue carbon projects?
- Can blue carbon projects create new economic opportunities for coastal communities?
- How can we address policy & regulatory barriers to blue carbon project development in APAC?

*Dr. Yiwei Wang, Nature based solutions coordinator for Asia Pacific, The Nature Conservancy*

*Mazzella Maniwavie, Mangrove Scientist & Program Manager (The Mangoro Market Meri Program), The Nature Conservancy*

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12:10 **Panel Discussion: The Landscape of NbS in Asia - Opportunities, Challenges & Regional Synergies**

- Identify opportunities for cross-border collaborations and knowledge sharing on NbS between different Asian countries, leveraging regional strengths and addressing shared challenges.

**Moderator:**

*Peter Stephen, Regional Director, Asia-Pacific, Ecosecurities*

**Panellists:**

*Heng Dean Law, Managing Director, Pollination*

*Natasha Han, Forest Intelligence Coordinator - Greater Mekong, WWF Singapore*

*Sai Kishore Nellore, Climate Action Lead, Olam Agri*

12:40 **Networking Lunch**

13:55 **Chairman's Introduction**

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14:00 **Urban Greening - Building Sustainable Cities with Parks, Green Roofs, and Natural Infrastructure**

- Discuss the integration of nature-based solutions (NbS) in urban infrastructure, like bioretention swales & rainwater harvesting systems.
- Explore the potential of technology and smart systems for managing and monitoring urban green spaces.
- Address the limitations of land availability in cities and propose greening solutions within existing infrastructure.
- Address maintenance & long-term sustainability challenges of urban green infrastructure.

*Peter Stones, Senior Engineer, Arup (Singapore)*

14:30 **Pitching the Future - Innovative NbS Concepts and Solutions for Next-Gen Projects**

- Emphasize how NbS can go beyond traditional approaches and offer multi-faceted benefits across sectors.
  - Introduce unconventional NbS applications like urban vertical farming, coral restoration through assisted evolution, and biochar technologies, etc.
- Peter Stephen, Regional Director, Asia-Pacific, Ecosecurities*

15:00 **Networking Tea/Coffee Break**

15:30 **Nature and Climate Trends: Assessing Risks and Opportunities**

*Jurgita Balaisyte, Vice President ESG & Climate Research, MSCI Inc.*

16:00 **Building a Model NbS Project: Lessons Learned from MinTrees - Asia's First Cocoa Agroforestry Carbon Project**

- Define what makes a "model" NbS project and set clear criteria for success (environmental, social, economic).
  - Share inspirational examples of successful NbS projects in Asia or globally, highlighting their key features & contributions.
  - Emphasize the importance of learning from both successes and failures, fostering a culture of continuous improvement in NbS implementation.
- Florian Reimer, Chief Operating Officer, Kennemer Eco Solutions*

16:30 **Unlocking Nature's Value - Verra's New Framework for Biodiversity Crediting and Scope 3 Solutions**

- Introducing Verra's new ARR Methodology & REDD+
  - Latest updates on Verra's Nature Framework for generating and trading biodiversity credits.
  - Latest updates on Verra's Scope 3 program
- Naomi Swickard, Senior Director REDD+ Program Development and Innovation, Verra*

17:00 **End of Day 1**

17:15 **Networking Reception for Speakers & Delegates**



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DAY 2 - 24 APR 2024, WEDNESDAY

- 09:00 **Chairman's Introduction**  
*Anna Stablum, Business Development Director, Asia, ClimeCo*
- 09:10 **Investing in Nature's Future - Unveiling Investment Opportunities and Commercial Models for Profitable Nature-Based Solutions Projects**
  - Highlight the risks and uncertainties that deter private investors from engaging in NbS.
  - Introduce different blended finance models used for NbS projects, such as grants-in-aid, guarantees, risk-sharing mechanisms, and impact bonds.
  - Explore the potential of leveraging carbon credits and ecosystem services payments for scaling up NbS projects.

*Martin Lemoine, Unit Head, Agribusiness, Singapore, Asian Development Bank*
- 09:40 **Digital MRV in the Voluntary Carbon Market - Monitoring, Verification, and Data-Driven Solutions for NbS**
  - Addressing existing VCM shortcomings and how dMRV addresses issues like lack of transparency, high cost, and data gaps
  - Showcasing the potential of eDNA, camera trapping, remote sensing & AI to streamline data collection, improving project accuracy & reducing verification costs.
  - Demonstrating real world examples of dMRV in action

*Natasha Han, Forest Intelligence Coordinator - Greater Mekong, WWF Singapore*
- 10:10 **Cultivating a Sustainable Future: Olam Agri's Journey with Nature-Based Solutions**  
*Sai Kishore Nellore, Climate Action Lead, Olam Agri*
- 10:40 Networking Tea/Coffee Break
- 11:10 **Beyond Carbon Credits: Exploring the Full Potential of Nature-Based Solutions in Indonesia**
  - What are the biggest challenges & opportunities for developing & scaling up NBS projects in Indonesia?
  - Regulatory framework updates for carbon trading and NBS projects in Indonesia
  - How can the government and private sector work together to create a more enabling environment

for NBS development in Indonesia?  
*Dr. Riza Suarga, Chairman, Indonesia Carbon Trade Association (IDCTA)*

11:40 **Panel Discussion: Emission Reductions, Removals, differing markets & standards-Which pricing trends to watch in 2024?**

- Analyse potential price adjustments reflecting the inherent difference between reducing & removing emissions.
- Impact of CORSIA and Article 6: Explore how these regulatory schemes will impact market dynamics and pricing for emission reductions and removals.
- Differing market rules and standards: Discuss how market fragmentation due to varying standards can affect price discovery and transparency.

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*Florian Reimer, Chief Operating Officer, Kennemer Eco Solutions*

*Bryan McCann, Director of Supply, Climate Impact X*

12:10 **Golden Agri-Resources's Nature Based Solutions Initiatives - Protecting Carbon Sinks & Biodiversity**

- Identify key challenges to effective forest conservation & restoration, including land tenure issues, illegal logging, & policy gaps in Indonesia.
  - Discuss the critical role of indigenous communities & local stakeholders in forest management & restoration, highlighting their traditional knowledge & leadership.
  - GAR's future plans
- Desti Hertanti, Head of Nature Based Solutions and Landscape, Sustainability & Strategic Projects Division, PT. Sinar Mas Agro Resources And Technology Tbk. (SMART TBK.)*

12:40 Networking Lunch & Close of conference

14:00 End of Day 2

# Scaling Up Nature Based Solutions in a Rapidly Changing World

Embark on a transformative journey at our **2nd Net Zero with Nature Based Solution in Singapore** this coming April. Dive deep into the cutting edge of this dynamic field, where seasoned sustainability professionals mingle with inquisitive investors and ambitious entrepreneurs, all unified by their passion for safeguarding our planet. Witness groundbreaking forest restoration initiatives unfolding alongside ingenious financing models fostering urban greening revolutions. This comprehensive summit caters to every stakeholder, offering a rich tapestry of knowledge and inspiration tailored to your unique lens.

Here's why you should join us:

- **Gain insights from the forefront of NbS:** Learn from renowned experts and practitioners sharing their knowledge on diverse topics like carbon markets, biodiversity conservation, sustainable land management, and community engagement.
- **Discover the potential of NbS across Asia:** Dive into regional success stories and explore the unique challenges and opportunities for implementing NbS in Asia.
- **Connect with a vibrant community:** Network with leading organizations, investors, NGOs, and passionate individuals all committed to building a more sustainable future through nature.
- **Equip yourself with actionable knowledge:** Leave the conference empowered with practical tools and resources to implement NbS in your own work, community, or business.

Beyond inspiring talks and panel discussions, the conference offers invaluable benefits:

- **Stay ahead of the curve:** Gain a holistic understanding of the rapidly evolving NbS landscape, including emerging trends and policy developments.
- **Find investment opportunities:** Explore lucrative possibilities in the burgeoning NbS sector and make informed decisions about where to invest your resources.
- **Scale up your impact:** Learn from thriving NbS projects and discover scalable solutions that can make a real difference in your local context.
- **Be part of the solution:** Contribute to a collaborative movement dedicated to harnessing the power of nature for a healthier planet and a brighter future.

Don't miss this chance to be a part of our **2nd Net Zero with Nature Based Solutions** summit this **23rd to 24th April!** Join us and take your commitment to sustainability to the next level. Together, we can unlock the immense potential of Nature-Based Solutions for a thriving planet and resilient communities.

Register today and be a part of the change!

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3 or more delegates	1095
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