

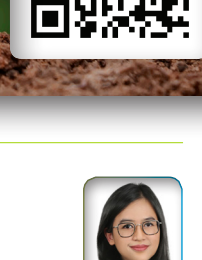
DISSECTING ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS IN SUSTAINABILITY INVESTMENTS

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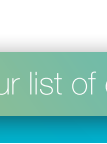
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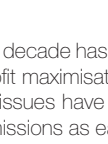
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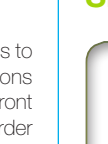
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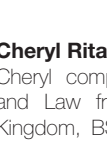
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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The growth of sustainable investing in the past decade has forced companies to focus on ESG issues and move from only profit maximisation to considerations of nature, people, and planet. Environmental issues have been at the forefront with Malaysia pledging to achieve net-zero emissions as early as 2050. In order to halt climate change, carbon impact needs to be addressed. For businesses, what specific actions need to be taken to chart a carbon neutral future? This programme will focus on the environmental factors that are particularly important to Malaysia which will have an impact on organisations as environmental concerns take the lead among sustainability focused investors.

The plantation sector is considered Malaysia's focus area as the world's second largest palm oil producer and exporter, accounting for 25% of world production and 34% of world exports in 2020. Over the last few years, the palm oil industry has increasingly been associated with deforestation, greenhouse gas emissions and overreliance on foreign labour. What would be some of the strategies of plantation companies to alleviate these issues and contribute towards the country's goal of a net zero future?

The recent supply chain crisis has triggered our focus on food security with increasing urbanisation and rising temperatures leading to land scarcity. Beyond guarding population health, food security also brings about sustained economic growth and positive impact on human capital. Similarly, sustainable water management is critical to our health and prosperity and climate change has brought about vulnerabilities to our water systems. Industries and consumers alike have a part to play on efficient water management as part of Malaysia's climate action efforts.

Likewise, greener building and cities reduce the vast amounts of emissions and waste into the environment. At the current pace of urbanisation, future and existing cities need to employ smart technologies and design elements that leads to lower resource use and pollution to build resilience against future climate impacts.

The business case for environmental sustainability is apparent as investors are putting more pressure on companies and their board of directors to pay closer attention to the sustainability and long-term viability of their business and environment.

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVE

This programme will discuss pertinent issues focusing on the environmental factors, which impacts organisations and investors and why these issues are all-important towards an organisation's ESG journey to net zero carbon markets and business long-term performance.

ICF COMPETENCY LEVEL

- Foundational (Product)
 - Capital Market Environment (Proficiency Level 3)
- Core
 - Risk Management (Proficiency Level 3)
- Behavioural (Organisation Leadership)
 - Business Acumen (Proficiency Level 3)

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this programme, participants will be able to:

- determine the history and components that will drive the future of carbon markets
- describe the environmental factors challenges and opportunities in the plantation sector's activities towards sustainable investment
- explain the environmental factors challenges and opportunities in the agriculture and aquaculture industry
- discuss the game changing trends and approaches to green building design and development in Malaysia

METHODOLOGY

Interactive presentations, case studies discussions and Question-and-Answer (Q&A) sessions

WHO SHOULD REGISTER?

Individuals

Dealers Representatives, Trading Representatives, Compliance Officers, Auditors, Risk Management Officers, Fund Managers, Analysts, Investors, Academicians, University Students and Public

Institutions

Public Listed Companies, Fund Management Companies, Stockbroking Firms, Investment Banks, Commercial Banks, Insurance Companies, Alternative Financing Platforms, Startups, and Exchanges

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

10.00 am	<p>The Future of Carbon Markets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Revised Article 6, Paris Agreement - What does it mean to businesses?Enabling investments in emission-reductions technologiesReporting framework and guidance for emissions trades between countriesHelping governments and businesses deliver higher climate ambitionsWhat are the new technologies that could grow as a result of this?Malaysian PLCs - Increasing demand for high-quality carbon credits <p>Moderator: Shazana Mokhtar Radio Presenter, BFM 89.9</p> <p>Speaker: Cheryl Rita Kaur Fellow & Head, Centre for Straits of Malacca, Maritime Institute of Malaysia (MIMA) Justin Liew Jin Soong Research Associate, Sustainable Development Solutions Network Asia (SDSNA)</p>
11.00 am	Screen Break
11.15 am	<p>Plantation Sector's Road to Net Zero Carbon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The move towards a net-zero carbon economyAre ESG concerns driving local and foreign investors decisions?Creating a sustainable palm oil industry - Curbing deforestationLabour practices in the plantation sectorReliance on energy downstream <p>Moderator: Shazana Mokhtar Radio Presenter, BFM 89.9</p> <p>Speaker: Benjamin Loh Senior Manager for Sustainable Commodity, Market Research, Organisational Development, Social Strategy, Corporate and Internal Communications, WWF-Malaysia Jovitania Soediro Senior Analyst, Sustainable Finance, WWF-Malaysia</p>
12.15 pm	Lunch
2.30 pm	<p>Road to Sustainability - Sustainable Food and Water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">How sustainable is water use in Malaysia by consumers and industry?Not an infinite resource - Looking into sustainable water management practicesManaging food import dependency and carbon footprintFood sustainability and the modernisation of agriculture and aquacultureOpportunities - Sectors that thrive in a low-carbon world <p>Moderator: Shazana Mokhtar Radio Presenter, BFM 89.9</p> <p>Speaker: Melissa Ong CEO, Southeast Asia Thought For Food Foundation Dr. Elfithri Rahmah Deputy Regional Coordinator, Global Water Partnership Southeast Asia (GWP-SEA)</p>
3.30 pm	Screen Break
3.45 pm	<p>Accelerating Green Development in Malaysia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The importance and benefits of green buildingDecarbonisation of the construction sectorTracking greenhouse gas emissions from construction and occupancy <p>Moderator: Shazana Mokhtar Radio Presenter, BFM 89.9</p> <p>Speaker: BK Sinha Council member, Malaysia Green Building Council (malaysiaGBC)</p>
4.45 pm	End of Programme

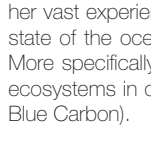
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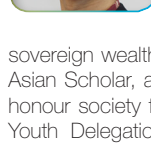
Shazana Mokhtar is a producer and presenter with the Morning Run on BFM 89.9, Malaysia's independent business radio station. She also hosts Pressing Matters, the weekly programme on media industry issues and current affairs. Prior to her leap into media, she served with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia for seven years, including two years in New York when Malaysia was a member of the United Nations Security Council. She graduated in law from the London School of Economics.

SPEAKERS



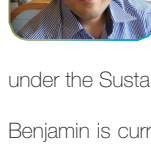
Cheryl Rita Kaur

Cheryl completed her MSc in Marine Science, Policy and Law from the University of Southampton United Kingdom, BSc (Hons.) in Marine Biology from University Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), and a Diploma in Multilateral Environmental Agreements from the University of Eastern Finland.



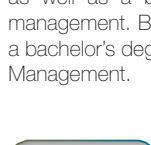
Justin Liew Jin Soong

Justin Liew is a Research Associate at Sustainable Development Solutions Network Asia (SDSNA), with a focus on sustainable development and decarbonisation. Prior to joining SDSNA, Justin was a management consultant at KPMG, and worked on investments and national development at Khazanah Nasional Berhad, Malaysia's sovereign wealth fund. He graduated from Wesleyan University as a Freeman Asian Scholar, and was inducted into Omicron Delta Epsilon, the international honour society for economics. He is also an active member of the Malaysian Youth Delegation, which strives to raise awareness of climate policies in Malaysia and engage with local, national, and international stakeholders in the climate space.



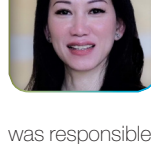
Benjamin Loh

Benjamin Loh is currently the Senior Manager for Sustainable Commodity under the Sustainable Markets Programme of WWF-Malaysia. Benjamin is responsible for driving the strategy of sustainable production, supply and consumption of Palm Oil in Malaysia, and within the WWF global network. Benjamin also managed the deliverable of special projects under the Sustainable Markets Programme.



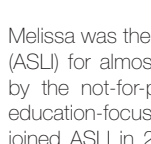
Jovitania Soediro

Jovitania Soediro is Sustainable Finance Senior Analyst at WWF-Malaysia implementing the International Climate Initiative project on "Taking Deforestation out of Banks' Portfolios in Emerging Markets". She focuses on the annual WWF Sustainable Banking Assessment (SUSBA), VBAF sectoral guides and key capacity building initiatives. She holds a Bachelor degree in Accounting from Monash University Malaysia, Master's degree in Islamic Finance from INCEIF and is an ACA candidate with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW).



Melissa Ong

Melissa has a wealth of over 25 years of APAC regional experience in International Trade, Brand Communications, Market Research, Organisational Development, Social Strategy, Corporate and Internal Communications. Melissa started her career with HSBC, before moving on to IOI Group, K.L. Sentral (MRCB), and TNS (Kantar) where she was responsible for multiple portfolios covering 33 countries across Asia Pacific, Latin America, Middle East and Africa.



Dr. Elfithri Rahmah

Dr. Rahmah Elfithri is currently Deputy Regional Coordinator of Global Water Partnership Southeast Asia (GWP-SEA). She was previously Visiting Professor at the National University of Malaysia (UKM). She started her career in the academic and research institution in Malaysia for almost 15 years since 2007 as a Lecturer and Research Fellow at the Institute for Environment and Development (LESTARI), UKM. She has been coordinating the Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) and Sustainable Ecosystem Management Research Groups in UKM since 2008. She initiated the Langat River to become a UNESCO HELP River Basin in 2004 and the Putrajaya Lake and Wetland as a UNESCO Ecohydrology Demonstration Site in 2010, where she promoted the implementation of IWRM and Ecohydrology. She is a Coordinator of Ecohydrology Malaysia Chapter (EMC) since 2017, Direction Board Member of International Society for Ecohydrology (ISEH) since 2019, Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) Core Member of UNESCO-IHP Ecohydrology since 2019, Steering Committee (SC) Member of Global Risk Assessment Framework (GRAAF) of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) since 2020, and Member of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Hydrohub Think Thank Since 2022.



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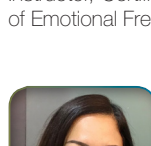
BK Sinha has over 35 years' experience in the development and management of Environmentally Compliant Projects and Services, in particular Waste to Renewable Energy Projects. The combination of his experience and wealth of knowledge is fuelled by his deep-rooted passion for the emergence of truly sustainable developments in this region;



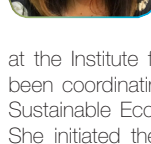
with full Circularity.



BK Sinha is Council member of Malaysia Green Building Council (malaysiaGBC) 2021/2023; an established member of the World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) that has about 70 countries globally as members. The WorldGBC operates through 5 regions. Our region is Asia Pacific Network (APN) of the WorldGBC and BK Sinha recently completed his 2 year appointment as the Regional Vice Chair in 2019.



He holds a tenacious belief in a holistic approach with all stakeholder inclusivity that he applies to all his projects. BK Sinha is respected as a thought leader and mentor in many notable sustainable projects in Malaysia, Maldives, Cambodia and Vietnam.



He is passionate about the environment and endeavours to create sustainable communities, taking into account that the built environment accounts for 40 percent of all waste worldwide, he holds personal the task and responsibility to contribute towards making sustainable buildings and infrastructure in Malaysia the norm rather than the exception. Amongst many other Projects, he is the innovator behind FatHopesEnergy (www.fathopesenergy.com), a leader in the region as a premier lipid-extractor and processor of used organic fats, oils and grease to EN standard bio diesel.

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