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SUITE CHAT: MAKING A DIFFERENCE TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Sustainability means to give back to the planet in return of humankind constantly taking and using up natural resources.
2. Start From Young: The love for the environment starts from education, upbringing and exposure given at home.
3. Awareness on a sustainable ecosystem is increasing. More activists, advocates and politicians should commit to sustainability goals and engage with communities.
4. Efforts on sustainability is always in favour of us. It is for the wellbeing and benefit of mankind today, and the generations to come.



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2022 AND BEYOND: SHAPING A GREENER CAPITAL MARKET LANDSCAPE



2022 AND BEYOND: SHAPING A GREENER CAPITAL MARKET LANDSCAPE – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. We should take cognizance of emerging trends locally and globally, as well as enablers that encourage innovation in sustainable investment products. Local needs should integrate with global best practices to maximise sustainability development.
2. There must be a common language to address the different interpretations of “Green”.
3. The capital market is the source of information for investors.
4. Disclosure of clear-cut ESG standards is integral to the sustainability agenda. There needs to be a common disclosure of information for investors.
5. Transparency in data and disclosure of information is vital to combat greenwashing.
6. Organisations should see the increasing need to invest in creating teams specially dedicated for and focused on strategic sustainability efforts.
7. All parties must not work in silos to achieve the sustainability agenda - regulators, businesses and societies must work together to promote ESG practices.



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ROUTE TO NET-ZERO POST-COP26



ROUTE TO NET-ZERO POST-COP26 – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Investing in ESG is no longer a ‘nice to have’ but rather a ‘need to have’. The pool of funds is constantly growing in Malaysia.
2. Climate change is happening whether we act or not. The cost of combating climate change will only increase as temperatures rise.
3. More investments need to be channelled to sustainability efforts.
4. Capacity building is required to achieve ESG goals.
5. Standardisation of data is critical.



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CLIMATE RELATED RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES - THE HEART OF INVESTMENT DECISION MAKING



CLIMATE RELATED RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES – THE HEART OF INVESTMENT DECISION MAKING – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. There are many incentive-based tools that can be applied by regulators to ensure compliance.
2. What will bring about a paradigm shift: Business model transformation comprising strategies, governance, CAPEX, KPIs, etc.
3. The more transparent an organisation is towards any building blocks, the lesser the possibility of greenwashing is.
4. Communication between regulators and investors is vital.
5. Risks must be assessed in the short-term and long-term.



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SPECIAL SESSION: TRANSFORMING CIRCULAR ECONOMY TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS AND LIVING



SPECIAL SESSION: TRANSFORMING CIRCULAR ECONOMY TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS AND LIVING – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Social enterprises should focus on manufacturing products in the circular economy that are not only green or sustainable, but are also appealing due to its design, etc.
2. There are many ways that can be adopted to manufacture sustainable products without inflating costs.
3. The circular economy is a growing economy. The demand is there, but supply is not enough.
4. The circular economy is good for businesses; products are designed to be able to be used continuously throughout the value chain.
5. Transitioning to the circular economy does not have to be difficult or expensive. An organisation needs to map out their supply chain and identify where intervention needs to take place.



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TRANSPARENCY AND CONSISTENCY IN TAXONOMY FRAMEWORK



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1. Taxonomy has become one of the most prevalent developments in the regulatory space that has big impact in how sustainable finance define its approaches, activities and aims.
2. More effort to harmonise the many taxonomies framework for greater clarity, transparency, and consistency.
3. Taxonomy is foundational tool to channel investment and liquidity pools towards sustainable economic activities which contribute to the achievement of ESG objectives
4. A need for a taxonomy common language and benchmark to protect against green washing claims and enhance standardisation and comparable investment assets that will accelerate the development of the sustainable finance asset class.
5. Disclosure and transparency of companies regarding ESG efforts are vital.
6. The pace of every company is different, each is at a different starting point, but there must be a common threshold that all must meet. Strategies and goals must also be size-based.

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LONG TERM INVESTMENTS TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE: RISING UP TO THE GREEN CHALLENGE



LONG TERM INVESTMENTS TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE: RISING UP TO THE GREEN CHALLENGE – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. The Green Challenge is addressing the need to get the right talent on board, investing in climate tech and renewable energy, as well as taking into account human rights.
2. The challenge is to convince investors to infuse money into sustainability efforts.
3. Although many organisations are still unclear between sustainable investments and performance, there is increasing awareness among them to focus on non-financial outcomes.
4. Contrary to some beliefs, data has shown that focus on ESG can actually improve a company's financial state; it does not sacrifice performance.
5. Rather than penalise, regulators should emphasise on encouraging organisations to embrace being green.



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CLIMATE TECH: INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TOWARDS NET ZERO



CLIMATE TECH: INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TOWARDS NET ZERO – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. IT and technology are enablers that have been ingrained in our everyday lives, which also influence how governments and organisations plan the way communities live, work and play.
2. Elements that must be addressed in innovative solutions are its accessibility, interoperability, and the outcomes they generate.
3. Investments must be made in materials that can help regrowth.
4. Emphasis must be on buildings. IT and tech can convert any building to become sustainable.

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BALANCING THE 'S' AND 'G' WITH IMPACT AND PURPOSE



BALANCING THE 'S' AND 'G' WITH IMPACT AND PURPOSE – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Strong governance (the fundamental building block) in a company shows commitment towards sustainability, stakeholders and shareholder returns.
2. Compliance, disclosure, and reporting is key in balancing the 'S' and 'G'.
3. There must be strategic methods to deal with non-compliance.
4. A set of standards and policies (i.e. diversity, whistle blowing, stewardship) that is uniform for all is pivotal.
5. Data is crucial to making disclosures effective (which is made timely, not bias, and transparent)

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SUITE TALK: PURPOSE-DRIVEN LEADERS STEERING TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS AND LIVING



SUITE TALK: PURPOSE-DRIVEN LEADERS STEERING TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS AND LIVING – KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. The sustainability journey is a mindset. It is not only for a company's profitability, but it also impacts the community.
2. Sustainability will become one of the core drivers of value for a company.
3. Questions leaders should ask: What is the impact of climate change toward their assets? Are you listed in the top dirtiest sectors?
4. Top decision-makers:
 - i. Should not view sustainability efforts as a cost;
 - ii. Set meaningful KPIs;
 - iii. Identify your mavericks/troublemakers who want to make a difference



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