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Session Title

Stock Exchanges and Innovative Sustainable Finance

Session Description

To fight climate change effectively, innovative finance solutions are required to support climate-positive projects and promote more climate-aware corporations. By innovating new climate-aligned products, services and rules, stock exchanges and regulators can assist their markets in becoming more climate resilient and better positioned to attract investment in climate action and protect long-term investors from climate and transition risks.

Exchanges and their regulators are important levers to help financial markets increase the availability of climate-related information; they can create options for pricing carbon emissions and financing climate action through carbon markets; or they can assist in the transition of their markets to a net zero world through rules, standards and education.

During this session, we will discuss the climate-related work being undertaken by exchanges, their regulators, standard setters and other key market stakeholders. This will include:

- The challenges and opportunities for innovative new climate-linked markets and green finance products.
- The tools exchanges are innovating to boost the quality and quantity of corporate climate disclosure.
- The specific targets exchanges are developing to contribute to a Net Zero future.

Speakers in this session will include officials from stock exchanges, regulatory bodies, standard setters and other market participants and experts.

Proposed Speakers and Moderator

- (Moderator) Mr. Anthony Miller, Chief, Sustainable Stock Exchanges, UN Trade & Development (UNCTAD)
- Ms. Kris Nathanail, Director Standards Development, International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO)
- Ms. Ralitza Germanova, Lead, Sustainability Disclosure and Transparency Program, International Finance Corporation (World Bank Group)
- Ms. Wei-nee Chen, Head Carbon Market, Bursa Malaysia
- Mr. Owain Johnson, Managing Director, CME Group