

Institutional investors and the low-carbon transition



**7th Annual OECD High-Level
Breakfast Event**
hosted by Mr. Angel Gurría
OECD Secretary General & IIGCC

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On the occasion of the UNFCCC Twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties, OECD Secretary-General Angel Gurría and the Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC) will host a High-Level Breakfast event from 08h15 - 10h00 (Registration and breakfast from 7h45)

Since COP 16 the OECD has hosted a ministerial breakfast, in the margins of the UNFCCC conference, focused on the role of institutional investors, such as pension funds, insurers and sovereign wealth funds in financing the low carbon transition. The Paris Agreement reached at COP 21 marks a decisive turning point in our collective response to climate change. All countries should now strive to formulate and communicate credible roadmaps for action consistent with the goal of holding the average temperature increase to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the increase to 1.5°C.

As countries operationalise their strategies, it will be important to consider how policies can help investors seize opportunities presented by the transition to a low-carbon economy and overcome investment barriers. In the margins of the final week of COP 22, OECD Secretary-General Angel Gurría and Chairman of the IIGCC Donald MacDonald will welcome senior government officials and key institutional investors and financiers for a targeted discussion under the Chatham House Rule.

This event will offer an opportunity to engage informally some of the leading figures in climate finance in an examination of the implications of the Paris Agreement as well as the outcomes of the G20 Green Finance Study Group and the FSB's Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures. What do these mean for institutional investors? What actions are governments taking, and need to take, to align policies and strengthen their domestic enabling environment for mobilising low-carbon investments by institutional investors?

Beyond the focus on enabling regulatory and policy factors, the discussion will touch on both sides of the risk-return equation relevant to investors, including how to address climate change asset and policy risk, portfolio disclosure harmonisation and decarbonisation strategies, direct investment in assets, green bonds, co-investments, and emerging market strategies.

Please let us know if you will be able to join us, so that we can reserve you a place. We will follow up with a formal invitation and the issues for discussion in due course. We look forward to seeing you in Marrakesh.



Simon Upton
OECD Environment Director



Adrian Blundell-Wignall
OECD Director for Financial and
Enterprise Affairs



Donald MacDonald
Chairman of IIGCC

EVENT DETAILS

Thursday, 17 November 2016, from 08h15 - 10h00 (7h45 am registration)

VENUE

Four Seasons Resort, Marrakesh
1 Boulevard de la Menara
Marrakech, 40000

Please note that due to space constraints participation to this event is by invitation only

EVENT FORMAT

- Semi-structured roundtable dialogue centred around several key questions.
- As in previous years, the discussion will be moderated by The Rt. Hon. Simon Upton, Director of the OECD Environment Directorate.
- Held under the Chatham House Rule.
- Participants will include leaders from OECD governments, emerging economies and developing countries, central banks, institutional investors, financiers and other key actors.
- Breakfast will be served.

ATTENDANCE

Please note this invitation is for a single participant per institutional or governmental affiliation and is not initially transferrable. If you would like to nominate someone else in your organisation to attend in your place, please direct your query to one of the contact points below.

BACKGROUND PAPERS AND CONTEXT

www.oecd.org/env/cc/financing.htm

www.iigcc.org/

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