Strategic Alliance on Green Bond Market Development in G20 Emerging Economies

Green Bond Workshop for Regulators, Issuers, Underwriters, Investors & Verifiers

2nd March 2017
Venue: Treasury I Hotel Westin Beijing Financial Street, 9B Financial Street, Xicheng, Beijing

AGENDA

Moderators: Christopher Kaminker, Head of Climate & Sustainable Financial Research, SEB
Qi Lan, Co-Director, Emerging Markets Dialogue on Finance, GIZ

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:30 Welcome Note

• Keynote: Green Finance & Green Bonds in China
  Dr. Ma Jun, Chief Economist, Research Bureau of the Peoples’ Bank of China (PBC)

• The Strategic Alliance on Green Bond Market Development in G20 Emerging Economies between GIZ and SEB
  Christine Majowski, Project Manager, Emerging Markets Dialogue on Green Finance, GIZ

09:30 – 10:30 Session 1: Green Bond Corner Stones

• Overview of the Green Note Market in 2016
  Li Qiuju, Head of Market Research, Financial Innovation Promotion Department, National Association of Financial Market Institutional Investors (NAFMII)
• The Development & Outlook of Green Bonds in China  Prof. Wang Yao, Dean, International Institute of Green Finance, Central University of Finance and Economics (CUFE)

• Green Bond Proceeds Investment Areas in 2016  Lu Wenqin, Deputy Director of Green Finance Business, CECEP Consulting Co. Ltd

• The Five Pillars of Green Bonds - Definition, Selection, Verification, Monitoring, Reporting  Samantha Sutcliffe, Senior Advisor, Climate Financial Solutions, SEB

Moderator: Christopher Kaminker, Qi Lan

10:30 – 10:45  Tea & Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:30  Session 2:  Investor Preferences and Requirements

• The International Green Bond Investor Community Scrutinized – who are they, what differs among them and what units?  Christopher Kaminker, Head of Climate & Sustainable Financial Research, SEB

• International Investor Perspective on Green Finance  Ben Caldecott, Director of the Sustainable Finance Programme at Oxford University

• Enhancing the Attractiveness of Green Bonds  Yang Yuyun, General Manager, Bond Underwriting Beijing Branch, TianFeng (TF) Securities Co., Ltd.

Moderator: Christopher Kaminker, Qi Lan

11:30 – 12:15  Session 3:  Panel discussion – Q&A

• Can Green Bonds Unlock New Demand from Investors?  Uwe Wixforth, Senior Strategy and Policy Advisor, AIIB

• From Light Green to Dark Green – Where is Investor Demand?  Prof. Wang Yao, Dean, International Institute of Green Finance, CUFE

• What is the Potential for Chinese Issuers to Raise Money on the International Markets?  Ben Caldecott, Director of the Sustainable Finance Programme at Oxford University

Lu Wenqin, Deputy Director of Green Finance Business, CECEP Consulting Co. Ltd

Samantha Sutcliffe, Senior Advisor, Climate Financial Solutions, SEB

Yang Yuyun, General Manager, Bond Underwriting Beijing Branch, TianFeng
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12:15 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 14:45 Session 4: Case Studies

- An International Specialist Green Bond Investor – Preferences and Requirements
  Tess Olsen Rong, Sustainable Associate, Affirmative Investment Management (AIM)

- International Green Bond Funds
  Christopher Kaminker, Head of Climate & Sustainable Financial Research, SEB
  Samantha Sutcliffe, Senior Advisor, Climate Financial Solutions, SEB

Moderator: Christopher Kaminker

14:45 – 15:45 Session 5: Second Opinions – what, why, when & how?

- International Case Study: CICERO’s Approach and Methodology for Second Opinions – Practical Experiences in the Case of Modern Land
  Knut H. Alfsen, Senior Researcher, CICERO

- Overview of Chinese Second Opinions Providers & 3rd Party Verifiers
  Raymond Zhang, Managing Director, SynTao Green Finance

- Research on Green Bonds Reporting System in China
  Pan Aimin, Director, Environmental Service, CECEP Consulting Co. Ltd

Moderator: Prof. Shi Yingzhe, Director, Green Bond Lab, CUFE

15:45 – 16:05 Q & A

16:05 – 16:15 Summary, Feedback & Next Steps

Moderator: Christopher Kaminker

Peter Ling-Vannerus, Chief Representative, SEB China
The Concept

Since the launch of the Green Bond Endorsed Project Catalogue by the People’s Bank of China (PBOC) in December 2015, the Chinese market has become the fastest growing market for Green Bonds in the world, even surpassing the U.S. as the largest issuer of Green Bonds.

As more and more Chinese stakeholders are tapping the market, we invite representatives from regulatory & policy-making bodies, financial institutions, private companies and public sector entities as well as environmental & finance research institutions, verifiers and rating agencies to join our workshop on Green Bonds. Participants will learn from leading regional and international finance and science experts and gain profound knowledge and hands-on technical expertise on the pillars that constitute a robust Green Bond framework. These include:

- Definitions
- Selection
- Verification
- Monitoring
- Reporting

This second workshop of the series, scrutinizes the above topics in more depth, focusing particularly on the investor perspective and external review, including interactive case studies and expert discussions.

The workshop takes place at the Hotel Westin Beijing Financial District on 2 March 2017. Consecutive workshops on the remaining themes will follow in 2017.

For further details, please contact Qi Lan (lan.qi@giz.de) & Christopher Kaminker (christopher.kaminker@seb.se).

The Partners

The training series is conducted within the framework of a Strategic Alliance between GIZ and SEB on Green Bond Market Development in G20 Emerging Economies and supported by the Peoples’ Bank of China (PBC), the Green Finance Committee (GFC) of the China Society for Finance and Banking and the Center for International Climate and Environmental Research – Oslo (CICERO).

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Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken (SEB) is a Swedish universal bank, which has developed the Green Bond concept targeting institutional investors in cooperation with the World Bank and is one the leading knowledge providers and thought leaders with regards to Green Bond product and overall market development.

Within the framework of the Strategic Alliance, GIZ and SEB have already organized, jointly with PBC and GFC, a conference on Green Bonds and Green Finance in Beijing on 7 April 2016, and two workshops in Beijing on 27th and 28th of September 2016 respectively. Further information can be found on www.emergingmarketsdialogue.org and www.seb.se/greenbonds.