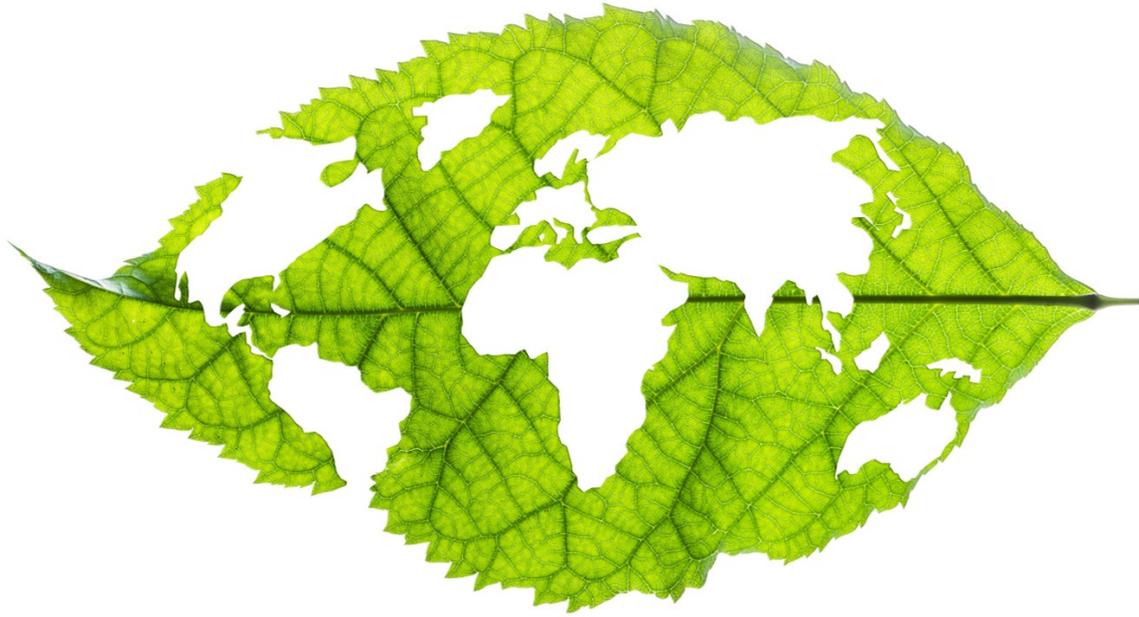


ESG Reporting & Disclosure: Best Practices in HK & Singapore



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ESG reporting and disclosure have become essential to business operations, driven by increasing stakeholder demands for transparency and accountability. The APAC region is witnessing a growing need for companies to enhance their ESG reporting practices, as more companies recognise the importance of sustainability and social responsibility in driving business success.

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the Singapore Exchange have made ESG reporting requirements mandatory among listed companies. This reflects the

recognition by regulators of the importance of ESG reporting in ensuring the long-term viability of businesses and in promoting sustainable growth. Panellists will share their insights and perspectives on the best ESG practices that businesses can adopt when reporting and disclosing their ESG activities. Participants will also gain crucial insights into the latest ESG reporting and disclosure trends, challenges, and opportunities that are emerging in the APAC region.

About the speakers



For over thirty years, **Anne Copeland** has assisted corporates and the financial sector to adopt sustainability best practices. She provides expert sustainability/ESG due diligence, risk management, strategy development, implementation and reporting, training and stakeholder engagement services across Asia and for diverse sectors. She is an independent sustainability advisor with Copeland & Partners and Sedgwick Richardson, an independent assessor for the Asian Development Bank, and a Board Advisor for the B-Corp certified Arowana Impact Capital Group. Previously, Anne was the APAC

Environmental and Social Specialist for the International Finance Cooperation, an environmental lecturer at the University of Hong Kong, worked at consultancies in Hong Kong and in Canada, and a TEDx speaker.

In 1997, she co-founded CanCham Hong Kong's Sustainable Development Committee, is a Co-chair of Cancham's Women's Network and is a Board Director of ChanCham. She was a mentor and Advisory Council member for The Women's Foundation. Formerly, she was a founding member of the HKSAR Council for Sustainable Development's Strategy Sub-committee, and one of the first 31 members of the Global Reporting Initiative Stakeholder Council.

She earned an MA in Political Science and Environmental Studies from the University of Toronto and a BA (Honours) in Political Science from McGill University in Montréal. Anne was also a Rotary Exchange Student, attending a year of high school in La Rochelle, France.



Dr. Ernest Kan is an experienced professional with nearly four decades of experience in audit and assurance, financial advisory, and business consulting. He has extensive expertise in the accounting profession and capital markets, including initial public offerings. As the Chief Advisor of the Singapore Exchange, Dr. Kan was responsible for promoting SGX as a capital-raising platform for equities and fixed-income markets. He has also worked with SGX's teams to deepen its relationships with the Chinese business community in Singapore, ASEAN, and the Asia-Pacific region.

Dr. Kan has been involved in the financial audit, IPOs, and consultancy of national and multinational companies across diverse sectors. He has also conducted several acquisitions and due diligence reviews of companies in China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, and Taiwan on behalf of Singapore companies. Dr. Kan is a Fellow Chartered

Accountant of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants (ISCA) as well as the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (ICAEW) and has held leadership positions in various national and international professional bodies.

In addition to his professional work, Dr. Kan is active in academia and serves as a Board Member of the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts and a Chairman of its Audit and Risk Management Committee. He is also a Governing Board Member of the Lee Kwan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore. Dr. Kan has authored several books on auditing and assurance and has received two Service Awards from ICPAS for his contributions as an adjunct lecturer at the Singapore Accountancy Academy.



Keith is

- Executive Sponsor for EY's Global Regulatory Network
- Leader of EY's Global Central Bank Network
- Advising clients on regulation, strategy and the capital markets, Keith is EY Global Assurance Leader for Banking & Capital Markets. He works closely with governments and industry regulators on emerging trends impacting the financial services industry.
- He is also the Co-chair and EY representative on the

Bank Working Group of the Global Public Policy Committee which looks after the Big 4 relationships with the BCBS and FSB.

- Previously, he served as Founder and Regional Managing Partner of EY Asia-Pacific Financial Services.
- Global lead partner / client service partner for a number of major Banking and Insurance groups.



Matthew is based in Hong Kong and joined J. P. Morgan in 2022, in a regional role advancing sustainability in the

bank's financing activities and throughout its operations across Asia Pacific. Prior to joining J. P. Morgan, Matthew lead the Asia Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (ASIFMA)'s Public Policy and Sustainable Finance division, leading advocacy and market development efforts on behalf of 160+ member firms comprising international investment banks, asset managers, professional services firms and market infrastructure providers operating across Asia Pacific's capital markets.

Matt's experience spans financial services, international commerce, technology, strategy, corporate governance, sustainability and environmental engineering. Since 2007, he has worked in a variety of business, industry relations and strategy roles at the Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC) and Thomson Reuters. He has also held corporate planning and strategy roles at PepsiCo International and Cadbury Schweppes, and business and policy advisor roles within the Australian Commonwealth Government.

Matt has Master of Commerce (Strategic Value Management), Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) and Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental – Hons) degrees. He became a Graduate member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) in 2018.

About the moderator



David is the Executive Director of the Chamber and is responsible for the Chamber's overall management, its financial status and staff. David has over 30 years of experience in legal and financial services.

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