

Transition Finance in Asia is Key to Global Net Zero



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Emerging markets are currently responsible for 34% of global carbon emissions and 65% if China is included (Source: Worldbank) and are crucial to the global decarbonisation target. Transition finance, which focuses on decarbonising carbon-intensive sectors and companies, is key to driving carbon neutrality for emerging markets as purely 'green' activities comprise less than 8% of the global economy (source: IIF). However, the activity in this area is lagging compared with other financing instruments, such as green and sustainable bonds, in Asia.

If emerging markets and Asia do not transition, the goal of global net zero by 2050 is out of reach. How can we ensure they obtain sufficient transition finance to transition their economy? What factors are required to ensure success for transition finance in emerging markets? What are the roles of asset owners and financial companies? What deals have we seen so far in emerging market transitioning finance?

About the speakers



She is responsible for delivering BlackRock's sustainability offerings and solutions to our clients in mainland China, Hong Kong, South Korea, Taiwan, and Southeast Asia. **Ms Leung** joined BlackRock in 2012 and held a number of COO positions within the firm, most recently as COO, Asia. In that capacity, she was responsible for furthering the Asia franchise by driving strategic initiatives, enhancing the regional infrastructure, and working closely with segmental teams on cross-regional coverage of multinational clients. Prior to joining BlackRock in 2012, she worked at McKinsey & Co. from 2006 to 2012, first as a management consultant and then as a professional development manager. Ms Leung started her career as an architect. Ms. Leung received an MBA from the Wharton

School, University of Pennsylvania, in 2006.



Fanda leads the Investment team in Prudential Hong Kong and is responsible for Strategic Asset Allocation and Portfolio Hedging to enhance the return and risk management for the products. She is also responsible for asset manager selection and has been actively promoting ESG aspects in investment process. She also drives new product ideas from an investment initiative and supports

investment related matters for marketing. Fanda has over 15 years of experience in asset management and liability hedging for global insurance companies. Prior to joining Prudential Hong Kong in 2017, Fanda was the Client Solutions Director with Aviva Investors. Before that she was the Senior Portfolio Manager overseeing the investment strategy of £50 bn annuity funds and also leading the hedging strategy of £100bn With-Profits funds in Prudential UK. Fanda is a CFA Charterholder and possesses BSc Actuarial Science from London School of Economics and MPhil Finance from University of Cambridge.



Liza is accountable for the responsible investment strategy for all markets in which Prudential operates across Asia and Africa. This includes setting ambitious responsible investment targets with special attention for the challenges in emerging markets and the trade-off

between responsible investment initiatives and the risk/return profile of the portfolio. Before joining Prudential, she was an investment strategist at PGGM, where she focused on responsible investment and strategic asset allocation.



Tracy is focusing on the Bank's sustainable finance strategy, by developing new products and solutions, further incorporating ESG considerations into banking decisions, and identifying sustainable finance opportunities for clients. Tracy is also the Vice President and Deputy Secretary General of Hong Kong Green Finance Association (HKGFA), and Senior Advisor to the Green Building Project of HK2050isNow. Prior to joining Standard Chartered, Tracy had been driving the green and sustainable finance development in Hong Kong and had over 20 years of financial markets experiences across various fixed income and complex structured products in JPMorgan, Mizuho International, Barclays Capital and BNP

Paribas based in London and Hong Kong.

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