

GIIA Annual Conference Agenda

Tuesday 14 November 2023

08:30 Breakfast, Registration & Networking

9:15 Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Jon Phillips - Chief Executive Officer, GIIA

9:20 Fireside Chat: In Conversation with Global Investors

A dive into the opportunities, challenges and trends shaping the infrastructure sector.

- Christopher Frost – Chairman of GIIA and Senior Managing Director, Macquarie Asset Management
- Lea Dubourg - Hrachovec - Managing Director, BCI

10:00 Keynote Address: Increasing the UK's Attractiveness to International Investors – Part 1

- Lord Harrington of Watford

10:30 Networking and Refreshments

11:00 Panel 1: The Countdown to Net Zero

The countdown to net zero is at the forefront of government agendas across the world. But what role are infrastructure investors playing, and what more can we do - enabled by policies and incentives - to move faster in the race to decarbonise?

We'll be looking at markets leading the way, new opportunities for public and private collaboration, emerging technologies and evolving approaches to ESG, and their impacts across energy, transport and utility networks.

- **Chair:** Michael Burns - Partner, Ashurst
- Damian Darragh - Fund Partner, I Squared
- Dr Egan Archer - Managing Director, Asset Management, Equitix
- Ruth Herbert, CEO - Carbon Capture and Storage Association

11:55 Panel 2: Perspectives on Global Investment Opportunities

With portfolios changing in a high inflation, high interest rate environment, we'll be exploring what lessons can be learnt about successful investment in new markets, the opportunities emerging across the world and how risks can be mitigated.

- **Chair:** Harvey Chandler - Senior Policy & Public Affairs Manager, GIIA
- Justin To - Senior Director of Economic Prosperity, Tony Blair Institute
- Grant Batten - Partner, Ashurst
- Alex Nassuphis - Managing Director, Igneo Infrastructure Partners
- Ana Plecas - Investment Director, Macquarie Asset Management
- Kofi Adjepong-Boateng – Director, Pembani Remgro

12:50 Lunch

13:50 Panel 3: Evolving Approaches to Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)

With the environmental challenge well established, how can investors also ensure they are delivering social value? What are the implications of the S in ESG for community engagement, digital connectivity, staff development and responsible supply chain management, including in securing rare earth minerals and developing alternative fuels? Where are the examples of best practice? Which projects have built adding social value in from the outset and what have been the commercial implications?

- **Chair:** Richard Threlfall - Partner, KPMG
- Luba Nikulina - Chief Strategy Officer, IFM
- Carolyn Pearce - Managing Director, Stonepeak
- Kirsten Menezes - Vice President, ESG Business Unit Lead Infrastructure, Goldman Sachs
- Darren White - Associate Director Infrastructure Advisory Group, KPMG

14:45 Keynote Address: Increasing the UK's Attractiveness to International Investors – Part 2

An exploration of Labour's ambition regarding the UK as a destination to attract international investors and the role of the private sector in delivering infrastructure renewal under a Labour government.

- Nick Thomas Symonds MP – Shadow Cabinet Office Minister

15:30 Refreshments and Networking

16:00 Fireside Chat: The Future of UK Infrastructure

We'll be unpacking the National Infrastructure Commission's second National Infrastructure Assessment and UK Infrastructure Bank's strategy.

- James Heath - Chief Executive Officer, National Infrastructure Commission
- John Flint - Chief Executive Officer, UK Infrastructure Bank
- Jon Phillips - Chief Executive Officer, Global Infrastructure Investor Association

16:40 Keynote Address: The Politics of Infrastructure

Expert political commentator Matthew Goodwin will look at public perceptions and political dimensions ahead of the next General Election and their implications for investors and society.

- Matthew Goodwin - Professor of Politics at Rutherford College, University of Kent, author, pollster, and speaker

17:20 Closing Remarks, Followed by Drinks Reception

- Jon Phillips - Chief Executive Officer, GIIA