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2019 Inaugural Assembly of Investment Chairs: Sustainable finance and climate risk

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Wednesday 27 November | University of Otago Auckland Centre
Level 4, 385 Queen Street

Purpose:

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9–10am

Introductory basics

10mins

Introductions and purpose of the day
Craig Stobo, Taumata Otago Business School

15mins

What is climate risk?
Dr Ivan Diaz-Rainey, Director of CEFGroup, Otago Business School

20mins

What is sustainable investing: ESG, SRI and incorporation of climate risk in investment analysis
Anne-Maree O'Connor, Head of Responsible Investment, NZ Super Fund

15mins

How can we make our work more relevant to New Zealand and New Zealand ICs?
Dr Ivan Diaz-Rainey, Director of CEFGroup, Otago Business School

10–10:30am

Current experience and practice

30mins

The role of customers/stakeholders in guiding policy and investment decisions
Fiona Mackenzie, Head of Direct Wealth, Jarden

10:30–11am

Morning tea

11am–12:30pm

Current experience and practice (continued)

30mins

Changing practices: A discussion on how the Guardians' investment committee works, and the changes we have made to how it operates over the years
Mike Frith, current NZ Super Fund investment committee Chair
Mark Fennell, former NZ Super Fund investment committee Chair

30mins

Interactive session: How to apply an interactive climate change decision tree
Anne-Maree O'Connor, Head of Responsible Investment, NZ Super Fund

Looking forward in the NZ context: Aotearoa Circle Sustainable Finance Forum

30mins

Aotearoa Circle Sustainable Finance Forum
Matt Whineray, CEO NZ Super Fund

12:30 – 1:30pm

Lunch

1:30–2pm

Participants' perspectives: Panel of IC chairs

2–3:30pm

Looking forward in the New Zealand context

30mins

Board/investment committee relationship and fiduciary duty: Governance perspectives from International Centre for Pension Management (ICPM)
Sarah Owen, General Manager Corporate Strategy, NZ Super Fund

30mins

The future investment committee: How the Future Fund investment committee works relative to ours
Stephen Gilmore, CIO, NZ Super Fund

30mins

Product Innovation: Climate/impact bonds in New Zealand forestry
Dr David Hall, Climate Innovation Lab, Auckland University of Technology

3:30–4pm

Afternoon tea

4–5:30pm

Future international policy and research perspectives

30mins

International perspective on ESG investing
Simon O'Connor, CEO, Responsible Investment Association of Australia (RIAA)

30mins

Climate-macroeconomic nexus
Simone Robbers, Assistant Governor, Strategy and Corporate Relations, Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ)

10mins

Climate risk in New Zealand equities
Hamish Kennett, Master of Finance student, Otago Business School

10mins

Summary and identification of training and research needs
Dr Sebastian Gehricke, Co-Director CEFGroup, Otago Business School

10mins

Close
Craig Stobo, Taumata Otago Business School
Anne-Maree O'Connor