



AGENDA

All times are in Eastern Time (ET)

8.50 am **Welcome to the ESG Integration Forum – Summer 2022**

Moderator: **Steve Wade**, head of event content, *IR Magazine & Corporate Secretary*
Sarah Jones, partner, co-head Americas corporate practice, *Clifford Chance*

9.00 am **ESG trend watch: How the SEC proposals, supply chain concerns and inflation are changing ESG priorities**

Start the day by reflecting on the SEC's recent climate proposals, key issues that came out of the 2022 proxy season, and the impact emerging ESG trends will have on issuers and sustainable investing.

- Preparing for new regulations: what the SEC's proposed climate rules mean for public companies
- Explore the long-term legacy of Covid-19 on ESG: how has the landscape of ESG shifted in the US
- How inflation, sanctions and changing supply lines will impact investor expectations

Moderator: **Steve Wade**, head of event content, *IR Magazine & Corporate Secretary*
Cynthia Curtis, SVP and corporate sustainability officer, *JL*
John Miller, director, ESG and sustainability policy, *Cowen*
Sandra J. Peters, senior head CFA Institute and investor advisory committee member, *SEC*

9.45 am **Environment update: Addressing increased expectations on climate**

This year's proxy season saw a record number of environmental proposals filed by investors. This, combined with the SEC's proposed rule on climate risk disclosures, has brought unprecedented attention to the 'E' of ESG.

- Hear about key developments in shareholder climate proposals coming out of the latest proxy season
- Discuss how the SEC's proposals around climate risk disclosure will impact company reporting
- Learn about how companies are responding to shareholder and regulatory expectations on climate

Moderator: **Ben Maiden**, editor-at-large, *Corporate Secretary*
Amanda Cimaglia, vice president, ESG and corporate affairs, *The AZEK Company*
Chris Fenwick, ESG programme director, *OneTrust*
Bruce Kahn, executive director, climate solutions specialist, *MSCI*

10.30 am **Morning networking break**

10.45 am **Fire-side chat: Aligning your ESG story with your equity story**

Moderator: **Laurence Taylor**, senior conference producer, *IR Magazine & Corporate Secretary*

Confirmed representative, **FINN Partners**

11.15 am Building and communicating an impactful ESG narrative

Join this session to learn how to engage more stakeholders with your ESG story, and ensure that shareholders understand the material issues facing your business.

- Trends in communicating and reporting ESG information to shareholders
- The impact of the ISSB: the first steps towards a globally recognised ESG reporting standard?
- The social responsibility of companies in 2022: how have stakeholder expectations of public companies changed?

Moderator: Steve Wade, head of event content, **IR Magazine & Corporate Secretary**

Renee Campbell, senior vice president, investor relations & treasurer, **Valmont Industries**

U-Jin Lee, vice president of business development, **AlphaSense**

Tanya Rakpraja, managing director, corporate responsibility and government relations, **Annaly Capital**

Sudi Setlur, vice president, ESG and non-profit advisory, **Corbin Advisors**

12.15 pm Governance update: Privacy, pay and politics

This session examines the governance issues which are top of mind for stakeholders. Learn how issuers can navigate the governance challenges of today, and disclose around their governance risk management

- Governance trends this proxy season: responding to evolving shareholder needs
- Hear about key issues regarding executive pay planning during periods of economic uncertainty and developments for companies linking compensation to ESG performance
- Learn how companies can navigate responsible political engagement

Moderator: **Ben Maiden**, editor-at-large, **Corporate Secretary**

Anthony Garcia, director of responsible investing, **Nuveen**

Paul Koppel, partner, **Clifford Chance**

Gabrielle Wolf, director, **Innisfree M&A Incorporated**

1.00 pm Lunch

2.00 pm Social update: How human capital factors are changing sustainable investing

Monumental shifts in the labor market and working practice have impacted. The combination of 'The Great Resignation', rising cost of living and an increased focus on diversity is causing investors and companies to re-evaluate the impacts human capital issues are having on businesses.

- How has the pandemic changed the conversation around human capital management?
- Advice on setting and implementing effective board diversity targets

- Going beyond targets: what are the next steps for companies looking to turn social goals into action?

Moderator: **Laurence Taylor**, senior conference producer, *IR Magazine & Corporate Secretary*

Tejal Patel, corporate governance director, **SOC Investment Group**

2:30 pm **Benchmarking your ESG performance**

Moderator: **Steve Wade**, head of event content, *IR Magazine & Corporate Secretary*
Confirmed representative, **IHS Markit**

3:00 pm **ESG and the board: Preparing for effective oversight of ESG issues**

Set your board up for success by providing support, data and structures to address overarching ESG issues.

- How to effectively support your board in driving ESG change internally
- Discuss the governance structures that are needed to provide sufficient ESG risk management
- Learn about what investors want in terms of board composition

Moderator: **Ben Maiden**, editor-at-large, **Corporate Secretary**

Richard Gluckselig, VP, associate general counsel, **Regeneron Pharmaceuticals**

Steve Nickelsburg, partner, **Clifford Chance**

3.45 pm **Champagne roundtables: Exchange ideas with your peers in highly interactive roundtable discussions**

How the roundtables work:

- Choose any of the following topics – the power is in your hands!
- Join the relevant roundtable and discuss with your peers
- When the bell rings, move on to your next table and repeat!
- Enjoy a glass of champagne or non-alcoholic beverage
- At the end of the session, hear a roundup of lessons learned so you can apply these when you return to the office

Roundtable topics include:

- Proxy season 2022: Learning from the latest AGM season
- Where does ESG sit at your company?
- Meet the manager: Learn about investor ESG expectations direct from a socially responsible investor
- Reporting trends: How to stay ahead of the curve on ESG disclosures

4.30 pm **Drinks reception and awards presentations**

6.00 pm **End of conference**