

RI UK 2021
Monday 10th - Friday 14th May
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<p>Monday 10th 10.00 – 11.00</p>	<p>Plenary 1: Data challenges, ESG disclosure and what the incoming EU regulations mean for investors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are investors considering the data challenges and opportunities arising from the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR), the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD, previously NFRD) and the EU Taxonomy? • Disclosure requirements: to what extent does the available data reflect the real economy? Is it investors' responsibility to ensure that the data provided by companies and data providers is correct? • Data gaps with regards to alignment scores <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jean-Christophe Nicaise-Chateau, Legislative Officer (DG FISMA) Corporate Reporting, Audit and Credit Rating Agencies, European Commission • Philip Stewart, Partner, ERM • Willemijn Verdegaal, Co-Head Climate & ESG Solutions, Ortec Finance <p>Moderator: Elise Attal, Head of EU Policy, PRI</p>
<p>Monday 10th 11.00 – 11.40</p>	<p>Panel: Why Responsible Investor is a co-creator of the Silver Linings think > do competition for brainwaves and business plans to make care for older generations sustainable, and why YOU should be entering!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What's the link between responsible investment and older generation care? • Why the Silver Linings competition; and what's a think > do event? • What's a 'brainwave' and what's a 'business plan', how do I enter and what are the prizes? • How the Silver Linings business plans could turn into investment proposals... <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally Bridgeland, FIA (Trustee, Non-Executive Director and Adviser) • Dr Rachel Melsom, MBBS, BSc. Director, Medical Matrix Consulting, Practicing Physician • Hugh Wheelan, Co-Founder and Joint Managing Director, Responsible Investor
<p>Tuesday 11th 10.00 – 11.00</p>	<p>Plenary 2: How will UK pension funds and asset managers adopt new laws on reporting to the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosure (TCFD)? And will they soon have to report to mandatory net-zero CO2 emissions targets?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UK Chancellor Rishi Sunak has said the TCFD recommendations will be law: how will investors follow suit? • How should institutional investors start looking at a net-zero emissions trajectory across their portfolios? • What can be learnt from peer initiatives such as the Net-Zero Asset Owner Alliance and Net-Zero Asset Managers Initiative? • Are financial services groups' actions in line with the net-zero commitments they are making? <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morten Nilsson, Chief Executive Officer, BT Pension Scheme • John Chilman, Chief Executive Officer, RPMI Railpen • Tony Broccardo, Chief Investment Officer, Barclays UK Retirement Fund • Tory Grieves, Vice President of Analytics, The Climate Service

	<p>Moderator: Barbara Davidson, Senior Analyst, Carbon Tracker</p>
<p>Wednesday 12th 10.00 – 10.40</p>	<p>Interview: The role of hydrogen in the low carbon transition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introducing hydrogen and its role in the transition ● What are the opportunities that hydrogen can provide investors looking to meet climate targets? What are the risks investors have to consider? ● Blue and green hydrogen arguments, what is required to accelerate the market from an investment perspective? <p>Interviewee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nilay Shah, Professor and Director, Centre for Process Systems Engineering, Head of Chemical Engineering, Imperial College London <p>Interviewed by: Daniel Brooksbank, Head of Strategic Content, Responsible Investor</p>
<p>Thursday 13th 10.00 – 11.00</p>	<p>Plenary 4: How can UK institutional investors back government policy to mitigate the cost of biodiversity loss and damage to ecosystems?</p> <p>The UK government has announced it will spend at least £3bn of international climate finance on nature and biodiversity over the next five years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What role can UK asset owners play to support this and why? Is lack of knowledge and data hindering them from taking the first steps? How are asset managers assisting them with this? ● How can data companies help investors to assess the associated risks of biodiversity loss to their portfolios? ● Are there transferrable climate-risk solutions and strategies that could be utilised in mitigating biodiversity loss? <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Harry Ashman, Engagement Analyst, The Church Commissioners for England ● Helen Avery, Head of Nature Programmes, Green Finance Institute ● Katie Leach, Senior Programme Officer, UN Environment Programme World Conservation Monitoring Centre <p>Moderator: James Hulse, Senior Advisor, Global Canopy and Founder, Hindsight Consultancy</p>
<p>Friday 14th 10.00 – 11.00</p>	<p>Plenary 5: What do UK policy and regulatory requirements mean for the country's pension funds?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What does best practice pension scheme reporting and action on ESG and climate change in the Statement of investment Principles look like? ● What will a beefed up Stewardship regime look like for UK asset owners, managers and market participants in terms of voting, engagement and advice across asset classes? ● What will the government-backed Taskforce to develop solutions to support trustee-directed voting in pooled investment funds come up with, and how could this re-shape investment governance in the UK. <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Guy Opperman, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Pensions and Financial Inclusion), Department for Work and Pensions ● David Russell, Head of Responsible Investment, Universities Superannuation Scheme ● Catherine Howarth, Chief Executive Officer, ShareAction <p>Moderator: Daniel Brooksbank, Head of Strategic Content, Responsible Investor</p>

