

# 12th Green Finance Forum

## Changing Perspectives: From Green To Blue Finance

November 17, 2026 | Steigenberger Icon Frankfurter Hof, Frankfurt am Main

### Welcome and Dive In

André Wiersig The Man of the Ocean, Ambassador, UN Ocean Decade (German Committee)

### Welcome Note - The National Perspective

Carsten Schneider Federal Minister for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety

### Financing Water Security: Mobilising Capital for a Water-Resilient Future (tbd)

Nathalie Larrouse Head of Green Capital Markets, EBRD

### Power Talk

André Wiersig The Man of the Ocean, Ambassador, UN Ocean Decade (German Committee)

Martin Weirich Martin Weirich, FS Sustainability Consulting Lead, PwC Deutschland

tbh in German /English

### Adaptation as Investment: Financing Resilience in a Changing Climate

Dr. Andreas Gruber CSO, DKB

Sophie Zielke\* Head of Sustainability, Helios

Dr. André Berghegger\* Hauptgeschäftsführer, Deutscher Städte- und Gemeindebund

Moderation: Moderation Martin Weirich, FS Sustainability Consulting Lead, PwC Deutschland

tbh in German

### Water needs an institutional home (tbd)

Christopher Flensburg Head of SEB Water, SEB Group

in discussion with Alexandra Themistocli, Head of Sustainability DACH, SEB

tbh in English

### Scaling Blue Finance: Mobilising Capital for a Water-Resilient Economy

Katharina Nickel CSO, BNP Paribas

Jürgen Kern CSO, KfW

Dr. Thomas Schulte Senior Vice President, Head of Sustainability & EHS, Bosch Group

Bettina Storck CSO, Commerzbank & Sustainable Finance Expert Advisory Board

Moderation: Katharina Latif, Senior Director Sustainable Futures, Capgemini Invent

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### Circular Economy (tbd)

Petra Sandner CSO, Helaba

Sabine Kuznik Head of Sustainability Governance, Evonik

Moderation: Katharina Latif, Senior Director Sustainable Futures, Capgemini Invent

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**Coffee and Networking Break | 11.20 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.**

### Parallel Deep Dive Session 11.45 a.m. - 12.45 p.m.

#### From Nature Risk to AI-Enhanced Resilience

Lena Franke Managing Partner, ADVANTA

Olya Kolesnikova Manager Advisory, Head of ESG, ADVANTA

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#### Too Hot to Care? Hitzeschutz und Resilienz in Sozialimmobilien (tbd)

Dr. Andreas Gruber CSO, DKB

Dr. Andrea Nakoinz Associated Partner, DSR & Partners

Marina Woll Strategic Lead ESG Products & Bank-wide Coordination, DKB

Daniel Schmitz-Remberg Founder & Host, Adaption Exchange; Founder & Managing Director, DSR & Partners

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# Strategiefaktor Kreislaufwirtschaft: Wie aus Europas Investitionsbedarf neue Wertschöpfung entsteht

Matthias Ballweg

Co-Founder, Circular Republic

Marcus Sagitz

Geschäftsführer Marketing & Corporate Affairs, PreZero Stiftung



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## Turning Water Challenges into Solutions: practical insights from Deutsche Bank

Viktoriya Brand

Head of Sustainability Intelligence, Chief Sustainability Office, Deutsche Bank

Hendrik Sasse

Director, Debt Capital Markets, Deutsche Bank



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### Lunch Break (12.45 p.m. - 1.45 p.m.)

#### Opening

André Wiersig

The Man of the Ocean, Ambassador, UN Ocean Decade (German Committee)

#### TBD

From 2.00 p.m.

Jörg Eigendorf

CSO, Deutsche Bank

Moderation: Katarin Wagner, Geschäftsführerin & Mitglied des Vorstands, econsense – Forum Nachhaltige Entwicklung der Deutschen Wirtschaft

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#### Blue Business in Practice: Financing Water Innovation & Scaling Impact

From 2.20 p.m.

Anja Link

Head of Sustainability | Corporate and Institutional Banking, HSBC Deutschland

Claudia Hopstein

Head of Global Finance & Treasury, Wilo SE

Moderation: Katarin Wagner, Geschäftsführerin & Mitglied des Vorstands, econsense – Forum Nachhaltige Entwicklung der Deutschen Wirtschaft

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#### Water Under Pressure. Who Will Finance the Water Infrastructure of the Future?

From 2.50 p.m.

Lennart Stackebrandt

Head of Sustainability, DZ BANK

Marcel Fälsch

stellv. Abteilungsleiter Wasserwirtschaft / Bereichsleiter Wirtschafts- u. Ordnungspolitik, Vku

Dr. Nils Köbler\*

Deputy Mayor City of Frankfurt am Main

Moderation: Mareike Teuffer, Redaktionsleiterin Magazine, Energate

tbh in German

#### From the Source of Data to fluid cooling AI Hubs. Scaling Up the Tech Focus

From 3.30 p.m.

Lukas Birn

Digital Sovereignty & Sustainability Lead, Capgemini Germany

Nikhil Chouguley

Partner, Sustopia Capital

Christian O'Dwyer

Physical Risk & Nature Product Manager, Bloomberg

Hilary Tam

EMEA Sustainability Lead, AWS

Moderation: Gerrit Sindermann, Executive Director, Green Finance Digital Alliance

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#### Asia's Green Finance Hub: Connecting Capital, Standards and Regions

From 4.15 p.m.

Christopher Hui

GBS, JP, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Hongkong

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4.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

## Closing Talk: Biodiversity, Water & Weather – Connecting the Dots

Friederike Otto\*

Professor of Climate Science, Centre for Environmental Policy, Imperial College London

### Followed by a discussion with

Axel Krumsiek

Director Marine, WWF

André Wiersig

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End of Conference

Green Finance Reception (from 5.00 p.m.)

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