12th Green Finance Forum

Changing Perspectives: From Green To Blue Finance

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

9.00

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

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 — FS Sustainability Consulting Lead, PwC Deutschland

tbh in German /English

From 9.30

Adaptation as Investment: Financing Resilience in a Changing Climate

Dr. Andreas Gruber — CSO, DKB

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

Dr. Clemens Jüttner — CSO, Sana Kliniken

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

tbh in German

From 10.00

Water as a material Asset

Christopher Flensborg — Head of SEB Water, SEB Group

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

tbh in English

From 10.20

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

tbh in German

Until 11.00

Circular Economy (tbd)

Petra Sandner — CSO, Helaba

Sabine Kuznik — Head of Sustainability Governance, Evonik

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

tbh in German

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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tbh in English

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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Deutsche Kreditbank AG

tbh in German

Strategiefaktor Kreislaufwirtschaft: Wie aus Europas Investitionsbedarf neue Wertschöpfung entsteht

Matthias Ballweg — Co-Founder, Circular Republic

Marcus Sagitz — Geschäftsführer Marketing & Corporate Affairs, PreZero Stiftung

tbh in German

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

tbh in German

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

tbh in German

Blue Business in Practice: Financing Water Innovation & Scaling Impact

From 2.20 p.m.

Anja Link — Head of Sustainability I 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

tbh in German

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 Kößler* — Deputy Mayour 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

tbh in English

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

tbh in English

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

4.30 p.m. -5.00p.m.

Prof. Dr. Bodo Ahrens* — Mesoscale Meteorology and Climate Institute for Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences, Goethe Universität Frankfurt am Main

Followed by a discussion with

Axel Krumsiek — Director Marine, WWF

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

Moderation: NN; FAZ

tbh in German /English

End of Conference

Green Finance Reception (from 5.00 p.m.)

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