



# The European SDG Summit

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## Financing the Future: Sustainable Finance for the SDGs

### European Roundtable

Thursday 10 December 15:00/16:30

To meet the objectives of the Paris Agreement and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), trillions of euros will need to be mobilized globally. Europe alone has identified a yearly financial gap of more than 180 bn euro to finance policies and investments necessary to keep the global temperatures in line with the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

Without a concrete collaboration from the private sector, these goals will not be achieved, and without the key role of the finance, the funding gaps to achieve the goals cannot be closed.

On the one hand, banks play a crucial role in transition to a more sustainable future especially if one considers that around two thirds of the European economy are financed by banks.

On the other, companies have a key role in raising investment on their sustainable activities: the financing of sustainable projects or targets can be direct through the issuing of a sustainability, green or social bond, or indirect, through the company ESG reporting practices. Despite reporting is still a challenge for many companies, global pressure on climate change pushed initiatives to better address climate reporting, such as the 2017 TCFD recommendations, and Guidelines on Climate-Related Reporting to complement the Non-Financial Reporting Directive.

In this session we want to present the latest happenings in the sustainable finance and reporting scenario, showing some examples of good and innovative practices from banks, rating agencies and companies towards the SDGs. The session is co-hosted by the European Banking Federation, Enel, and CSR Europe.

#### Join this session to:

1. Learn what the banking sector is doing to encourage and reward sustainability
2. Hear the practical experience of companies when issuing bonds linked to the SDGs and when disclosing information about climate
3. Exchange with companies, banks, rating agencies and investors on current gaps and possible solutions in sustainable investment



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## Agenda

SUGGESTED TIMING	SUGGESTED FORMAT	GUEST SPEAKERS & PANELISTS
15:00 – 15:05	Welcome & introduction	Sebastien de Brouwer Chief Policy Officer, European Banking Federation
15:05 – 15:15	The EU scenario on reporting and sustainable finance	Rogier Wezenbeek Senior Expert, Corporate transparency, DG FISMA, European Commission
15:15 – 15:25	EBF report on SDGs with KPMG	Ramon Pueyo, KPMG
15:25- 15:35	ENEL – innovative financial instruments to accelerate energy transition	Nicole Della Vedova Head of Corporate Finance, Enel
15:35 -16:05	<b>Learning from Experience</b>  <i>How SDGs can drive sustainable finance?</i>  Panel discussion moderated by Ilaria La Torre, Project Manager, CSR Europe	Toni Ballabriga Global Head of Responsible Business, BBVA  Adriana Cruz Felix Head of Sustainable Finance Research, Vigeo Eiris  Rebecca Self Director of Sustainable Finance, South Pole  Nicolo' Ciocci Senior Advisor Sustainable Finance, UN Global Compact
16:05– 16:25	<b>Open Discussion</b> Introduced by Giulia Genuardi, Former Member of Project Task Force on Climate-Related Reporting and ENEL	<i>All participants</i>
16:25- 16:30	<b>Concluding Remarks</b>	Ilaria La Torre Project Manager, CSR Europe