

Climate Change and Sustainable Investments: Taking the EU towards a climate neutral economy



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Morten Bæk is Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Climate, Energy and Utilities since 2018. Morten Bæk has worked with climate and energy related questions for more than 10 years. He held the position of Director General at the Danish Energy Agency for four years (2014-2018).



Alexander Stubb, Vice-President of European Investment Bank

Alexander Stubb is Vice-President of the European Investment Bank since August 2017. He has served as Prime Minister, Finance Minister, Foreign Minister, Trade and Europe Minister of Finland. His background is in academia and civil service, with a focus on EU affairs. He was a member of the European Parliament from 2004-2008, a government minister from 2008-16, a member of parliament from 2011-2017 and chairman of the National Coalition Party from 2014-16. He is also the non-executive Chairman of the Board of Crisis Management Initiative (CMI), founded by Nobel Peace laureate, President Martti Ahtisaari. Mr Stubb holds a PhD from the London School of Economics, has published 18 books and is a self-professed sports fanatic.



Ditte Juul Jørgensen, Director general, DG Energy, European Commission

Ditte Juul Jørgensen has 27 years of experience in the European Commission. She took up the position of Director General of DG ENER on 1 August 2019 after holding a position as Head of Cabinet of Competition Commissioner Vestager. Before being Head of Cabinet she was Director for WTO, Legal Affairs and Trade in Goods in the Commission's Directorate-General for Trade. Prior to this, she was Head of Unit for dispute settlement and legal issues and Acting Director. She has also been Head of Unit for Trade and Sustainable Development and Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary Issues, and responsible for EU bilateral trade relations. Her previous experience includes a posting as Head of the Economic Section of the EU Delegation to the UN in New York, as well as work at the European Court of Justice and at the European Commission DG for Competition.



Kimmo Tiilikainen, State Secretary, Ministry of Finance

Kimmo Tiilikainen is the current State Secretary at the Ministry of Finance in Finland. He is the former Minister of the Environment, Energy and Housing (2017-2019) and Minister of Agriculture and Environment (2015-2017). Kimmo was a member of the Finnish Parliament from 2003-2019. He is a Master of Science in Forestry and by profession an organic farmer and forester.



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Peter Damgaard Jensen has been the CEO of PKA since 2001. PKA is one of the largest occupational pension funds in Denmark. It has more than 300,000 members, mainly employees in the public social and health sectors. Damgaard Jensen is also a member of the board in The Danish Insurance Association and has previously been chair and vice chairman of the board. He also sits on the advisory board of the Danish SDG Fund and is a commissioner of the Global Commission on Adaptation.



Hanna Kaskela, Director of Responsible investments, VARMA

Hanna Kaskela is Director of Responsible Investment at Varma Mutual Pension Insurance Company. Varma is a responsible and solvent investor. The company is responsible for the statutory earnings-related pension cover of some 900,000 people in the private sector. Varma's investment portfolio amounted to EUR 47.4 billion at the end of September 2019. Hanna Kaskela is responsible for developing responsible investment across all asset classes and also manages the sustainable equity portfolio.



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Vesa Vasara is the Ambassador of Finland in Denmark since September 2017. From 2014-2017, Vasara held the position as Deputy Director of the Department for Russia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia. He has also served as Director of the Unit for Northern Europe. In the Diplomatic Service, Vasara has worked in Tallinn, Vienna, Berlin, Bonn and Moscow as well as in Brussels.



Ole Krohn, Moderator of the seminar, financial commentator on TV2

Ole Krohn is an experienced Danish journalist, financial commentator and moderator. Krohn has worked for the Danish TV2 company since 2007, first as a finance editor and later as a financial commentator. Krohn has covered some of the biggest news in Denmark's financial history e.g. Stein Bagger's case and the bank packages, which were supposed to save the Banks from the financial crisis. Krohn has interviewed many top executives from Denmark's largest agencies and he is known for his direct and sharp but fair journalism.

