

Call for Papers:

Online Workshop on Climate Finance in Asia and
Australasia

Tied to the 3rd GRASFI Conference 2020

Wednesday 9th (EST 8pm)/ Thursday 10th (China Standard Time 8am) of
September



Context: Sustainable finance and managing climate risk are becoming two of the most important issues facing investors and financial regulators. The financial risks and opportunities associated with climate change are particularly acute in Asia and Australasia. The region is highly vulnerable to climate change related natural disasters. Further, in meeting the demand of growing populations and economic growth, governments in the region have tended to lag other part of the world.

Workshop. The aim of the workshop is to encourage community building among researchers focused on climate finance in Asia and Australasia. We take a broad definition of climate finance-related topics (see list of topics below) and we welcome submission from a range of methodological approaches (empirical analyses, theoretical, macroeconomic/monetary-environment models, case studies, policy analyses etc.). Papers should have clear relevance to policy or investment practice and utilise Asian and Australasian data or context.

Paper Submission: Submit full paper or a long abstract by **Monday 24th of August 2020** to CEFGroup@otago.ac.nz putting '*Asia GRASFI Workshop – Paper Submission*' in the subject line.

Notification: Accepted papers will be notified on Friday 28th of August.

Publications Opportunities: We are arranging a Special Issue of the *Climate Policy* journal for this and another event later in the year. Suitable papers will be invited to submit to the Special Issue.

Virtual Attendance Only: Should you wish to attend the event please email CEFGroup@otago.ac.nz putting '*Asia GRASFI Workshop – Attendance*' in the subject line.

Cost: There is no cost for presenters or those just attending.

Indicative Topics: Paper topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Transition risk in equities, bond, derivative and sovereign markets
- Physical risk such as sea level rise and natural disasters including extreme temperatures, drought and wild fires
- Climate and environmental accounting
- Liability risk – insurance claims and litigation associated with climate change
- Carbon markets and carbon taxes
- ESG investing in Asia (challenges and opportunities)
- Real estate (financing passive building and risks such as sea level rise)
- Green bonds and impact investing
- Green public finance and guarantees (incl. green investment banks and funds)
- Financial innovation to meet financing gaps (e.g. securitising green loans)
- Banks and insurers – impact of and response to climate change
- Microfinance and climate change
- Development finance and climate change
- Climate disclosures – accounting standards, TFCF implementation in Asia

- Macro- and micro-prudential regulation in the context of climate change
- Monetary policy and climate change

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