

SUSTAINABILITY COURSE FOR REITS

Monday, 16 October 2023

Venue: voco Orchard Singapore, 581 Orchard Road, S238883

Panorama 1, Level 24

❖ Course Objective

The course is designed to equip junior and middle management in REITs with an all-round and practical understanding of how sustainability issues impact REIT Management. The emphasis of the course is on the real-world application of environmental and stakeholder considerations when managing a REIT as well as on key aspects of sustainability-related regulations, finance and reporting. Instructors are senior practitioners in the REIT and real estate sustainability fields.

❖ Target Audience

While the seminar is specially designed to equip junior and middle management in REITs, we welcome registration from senior management and anyone else who may find the session useful.

❖ Registration

Register at secretariat@reitas.sg by **18 August** or contact Juliana at **6721 7023**.

Seats are limited and are on a first-come-first serve basis.

6 Supplementary CPD hours will be awarded upon request.

❖ Programme Outline

Time	
08.30am	Registration
09.00am	Welcome by REITAS
09.05am	Sustainability for REITs: Overview / Ernst & Young LLP
10.00am	Sustainability Reporting / Ernst & Young LLP
11.00am	Coffee Break
11.20am	Successful Strategies for Building Retrofits and Achieving Net Zero / DBS Bank
12.20pm	Lunch
1.20pm	Greening Real Estate / IFC
2.20pm	Sustainability Regulations / Allen & Gledhill LLP
3.00pm	Coffee Break
3.20pm	Sustainable Finance / United Overseas Bank
4.05pm	Stakeholder Engagement – Lendlease Global Commercial Trust Management Pte Ltd
4.45pm	End of Programme

Note: Lunch and tea/coffee will be provided.

❖ Course Fee

	REITAS Members	Non REITAS Members
Course Fee*	\$ 850.00	\$1,420.00
Course Fee with GST	\$ 915.60	\$1,533.60

* Before GST.

Please note that there is no IBF subsidy for this course.

❖ Important Note

As indicated, we plan to conduct this course in a physical format. However, should there be any change in government regulations that prevent us from doing so, we may deliver this course in an online format.

❖ Speakers' Profiles



**MR PRAVEEN
TEKCHANDANI**

Partner, Climate Change
and Sustainability
Services
Ernst & Young LLP

Praveen Tekchandani is a Partner in Singapore, providing advisory and assurance services in the field of Climate Change and Sustainability. He has carried out assignments for various clients spanning MNCs, government, statutory boards, MDBs, private companies, and not-for-profits across Asia-Pacific.

He has worked with the National Environment Agency in Singapore to support the development of the Carbon Tax Measurement and Reporting framework, and is now an expert board panel member at the Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment (MSE). He has also supported multiple listed companies and financial institutions in their net zero and sustainability journey. He has also been awarded the Enterprise Singapore Merit Award for his significant contributions to the Singapore Standardization Programme in the field of climate change.

He is a member of the national GHG and Product Life Cycle work group, and a member of the Green Finance work group at Enterprise Singapore. He holds an MBA from NUS Business School and B.Tech from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi.



**MR AUGUSTUS
PRESCOTT GAYLORD**

Head of Sustainability
for Technology and
Operation
DBS Bank

Prescott's work in sustainable construction, sustainable design, and corporate environmental transition has led him to his current drive to increase impact of green corporate policies. He has spoken on sustainability in the built environment at conferences in Washington DC, Chicago, Baltimore, Monaco, and Singapore.



MR PRASHANT KAPOOR

IFC

A champion of sustainable built environments, Prashant Kapoor, is a passionate advocate for sustainable solutions that align the interests of businesses, financial institutions, governments and civil society.

As an Industry Specialist, he guides the IFC's global investments in the built environment with a particular focus on financing low carbon developments and sustainable cities.

He is the entrepreneur who created [EDGE](#) ("Excellence in Design for Greater Efficiencies") to mainstream resource-efficient buildings in emerging markets. EDGE is free software, a green building standard, and an international green building certification system. More than 60 million m² of floor space has been EDGE certified globally. Under his leadership, IFC has created a green building investment portfolio of commercial and residential buildings that totals more than US\$8.6 billion, both directly and through financial intermediaries.

Prashant is currently leading the [APEX Green Cities Program](#) that supports cities to transition to low-carbon and resource-efficient growth pathways. As a part of the Program, he has developed the APEX online app that allows cities to map out different action plans and evaluate their impact and financing options that the City can adopt to achieve its climate action goals.



MR ALLEN CHOONG
Partner,
Allen & Gledhill LLP

Allen's practice focuses on project development and construction in South-east Asia. He is among the inaugural batch of select practitioners to be recognised as Accredited Specialists in Building and Construction Law by the Singapore Academy of Law.

He advises developers on project documentation for the development, construction, operation and maintenance for infrastructure projects. In connection with such projects, he advises project owners and stakeholders on duties and responsibilities imposed by environmental and pollution control laws. In the course of his practice, he also helps his clients understand and manage sustainability issues in the built environment.

Allen is ranked as Highly Regarded for project development and energy by IFLR 1000. Dually qualified to practice in Singapore and Malaysia, Allen is concurrently a partner in Rahmat Lim & Partners, Allen & Gledhill LLP's associate firm in Malaysia, and previously worked in an international law firm.



MR JASPER WONG
MD, Head of Real Estate
& Hospitality,
Construction &
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Sector Solutions Group
United Overseas Bank

Jasper is currently the Head of Real Estate & Hospitality, Construction and Infrastructure, Sector Solutions Group for UOB. He has strategic coverage focusing on developing sector-specific solutions in the real estate, hospitality, construction, infrastructure, solar and energy efficiency segment, leveraging industry insights, data analytics and value chain analyses across UOB's wholesale banking business.

Before taking up this role, Jasper was the Head of Infrastructure & Project Finance for Asia in UOB. He has over 25 years extensive project and structured finance experience in the region focusing on power, renewables, oil and gas, petrochemical, infrastructure and telecoms financing.

Prior to joining UOB, Jasper worked in the transportation industry as the director of Structured Finance Asia for Bombardier Transportation.



MR KELVIN CHOW
Chief Executive Officer,
Lendlease Global
Commercial Trust
Management Pte Ltd

Mr Kelvin Chow is the Chief Executive Officer of the Manager.

Mr Chow was previously the Managing Director of Investment Management in Asia in Lendlease Investment Management Pte. Ltd., a position he held since 2018, where he was responsible for the overall performance of the Asia funds platform and asset management function. Prior to joining Lendlease Investment Management Pte. Ltd., he was the Chief Financial Officer of Keppel REIT Management Limited, the manager of Keppel REIT, from 2015 to 2018, where he was responsible for all finance and accounting matters, tax and treasury matters, overseeing the implementation of Keppel REIT's short and medium-term capital structure, structuring new investment entities, fund management activities and financial condition. From 2012 to 2014, he was the Chief Financial Officer of SB Trust Management Pte. Ltd., the manager of Soilbuild Business Space REIT. He has also held a variety of finance roles such as Financial Controller of Cambridge Industrial Trust Management Pte. Ltd., Finance Director of Invista Real Estate Investment Management, Chief Financial Officer of Estadia Capital Pte. Ltd. and Senior Vice President with Overseas Union Enterprise Limited.

Mr Chow holds a Master of Business Administration from Universitas 21 Global. He is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.

About REITAS

REITAS is the representative voice of the Singapore REIT (S-REIT) industry. It provides its members a representation and engagement in consultation opportunities with policy makers on issues affecting S-REITs. The association also organizes talks, courses, investor conferences, retail education events etc. to promote understanding and investment in S-REITs

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