



ASIA PACIFIC

Sustainable Global Value Chain FORUM

Stakeholder Perspectives and
Collaborative Approaches for
Sustainable Value Chains in the
Asia Pacific



10 - 11 September 2026



15 International Business Park, TÜV SÜD,
Singapore 609937
Level 6, Earth Room

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Enabling Change for Impact

PROGRAMME

As of 20 Aug 2026

High-level Opening Plenary

Co-Host

Trade, Global Value Chains and Sustainability in the Asia Pacific region

10 September 2026 | 9:30 am – 11:00 am



SESSION OBJECTIVES



Unpack implications of emerging trade shifts and evolving sustainability regulations on people, nature and local economies for global value chains linked to the region



Deliberate on the importance of 'equitable governance' and 'shared responsibility' for achieving a win-win for the region and its international policy and business partners



Surface pragmatic pathways and frameworks for responsible, resilient global value chains that balance and respect human rights; nature and climate targets and socio-economic developmental needs in the region

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ADVANCING COLLABORATIVE SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS
TÜV SÜD-WWF Singapore MoU Signing Ceremony

Co-Host

Asia's Leadership Opportunity in Financing Nature-Positive Value Chains

ReConnect Borneo

10 September 2026 | 11:15 am - 12:45 pm



SESSION OBJECTIVES



Underline the need for transitioning towards pro-nature business and value chain development in the APAC region



Demonstrate commodity and financing linkages between Singapore and Borneo, including WWF's pilot for regenerative palm oil



Highlight compliance pathways and risk mitigation for Deforestation and Conversion-Free (DCF) supply chains



Socialize innovative finance opportunities including blended finance, sustainability-linked instruments, and nature credit mechanisms

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The Evolving Role of Carbon Markets in Corporate Decarbonisation

From Carbon Neutrality to Sustainable Value Chains

10 September 2026 | 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

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SESSION OBJECTIVES



Understand why value chain emissions remain the hardest part of corporate climate commitments, and how short-term carbon neutrality relates to long-term net-zero ambition.



Assess the role of carbon markets within a credible climate strategy, including voluntary markets, Article 6, and credits as a transition mechanism.



Establish what integrity means in practice — transparency, traceability, robust methodologies and independent verification.



Explore how digital MRV, satellite monitoring and AI are reshaping trust in how climate projects are monitored and verified.



Consider the shift from offsetting to value chain decarbonization through supplier engagement, insetting and green procurement.

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Accelerating Sustainable and Circular Textiles and Fashion in Asia-Pacific

Innovation, Collaboration and Pathways for Global Value Chains

10 September 2026 | 3:15 pm – 4:45 pm

Singapore Fashion Council

SESSION OBJECTIVES



Showcase progressive policy, industry and innovation-led initiatives advancing circular textiles across the region, with practical examples of resource efficiency, circular business models and technology adoption.



Examine emerging opportunities for the region's textile and apparel sector within evolving global value chains — changing market expectations, sustainability regulations and the region's competitive advantages.



Identify the gaps constraining the transition — policy coherence, finance, technology, infrastructure, data, skills and MSME participation — and the enablers needed to address them.



Discuss pathways for positioning Asia-Pacific as a global leader in sustainable and circular textiles, through innovation, inclusive growth and collaborative ecosystem development.



Explore regional cooperation and collective action among governments, industry, research institutions and development partners, building a shared regional narrative that carries into international policy dialogues.

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Sustainability Leaders' Roundtable

*Future of Global Value Chains:
Collective Views from the APAC Region*



10 September 2026 | 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm



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Networking Reception

10 September 2026 | 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Rooftop (Level R)

An evening designed for meaningful connections. Meet fellow Forum participants, speakers and partners from across the region, exchange ideas beyond the formal programme, and explore opportunities for collaboration in a relaxed setting.

Open to all registered SGVC Forum participants

Opportunities and Challenges in Mobilising Sustainable Finance to Meet Local Needs in the Asia Pacific Region

11 September 2026 | 9:30 am – 11:00 am



IDRC · CRDI

International Development Research Centre
Centre de recherches pour le développement international

Canada

SESSION OBJECTIVES



Explore policy and regulatory reform priorities to spur sustainable and inclusive financing especially for SMEs across sectors in the region



Discuss key success factors for sustainable and inclusive projects that balances the needs of investors and project developers



Assess existing experiences in financing SMEs, start-ups, small-holders collectives and other small economic actors in the region

SPEAKERS



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Scaling Up Circular Success Stories and the Role of Government

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ESCAP
Economic and Social Commission
for Asia and the Pacific



ESCAP Sustainable Business Network

SESSION OBJECTIVES



An introduction to the UN ESCAP Sustainable Business Network Circular Economy Task Force and its goals.



Understand the current status of circularity for textiles and apparel in the Asia-Pacific region (challenges, policy landscape, business solutions).



Learn about circular solutions and success stories in the Asia-Pacific region and what needs to be done to scale them up and how governments can support.

SPEAKERS



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Decent Work and Global Value Chains in Asia Pacific

Regulations, Trends, Challenges & Pathways to Practice

11 September 2026 | 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

Co-Hosts



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SESSION OBJECTIVES



Transition from Compliance driven approach to Shared Responsibility:

Buyers/Brands and Suppliers/Manufacturers collaborate to achieve acceptable standards and shared vision of decent work, by moving away from a pure top-down compliance driven approach.



Highlight Global & Domestic Regulatory Developments: Unpack global standards and frameworks vis-à-vis domestic labour laws, due diligence requirements and regulatory expectations.



Showcase Good Practices: Spotlight examples and good practices of labour, employment and decent work practices.



Explore Challenges: Deliberate challenges such as informal workforce, migrant vulnerabilities, practical gaps owing to socio-economic and cultural nuances.



Foster Dialogue & Collaboration: Encourage cross learning and collaboration to scale pragmatic solutions and dialogues.

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Co-Host

Nature-Positive Digital Technologies in the Asia Pacific Region

11 September 2026 | 3:15 pm - 4:45 pm

Google

SESSION OBJECTIVES



Discuss lessons from tech companies' experiences in addressing impacts on natural systems and their dependencies on ecosystems and biological diversity, including across value chains



Deliberate on opportunities for collaboration, including across the digital tech value chain, to drive nature-positive innovation in digital technology for the region



Explore the policy and regulatory requirements driving corporate action on biodiversity mitigation at operational sites, and how these are shaping the adoption of enabling technologies

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The Singapore Value Chain Compact

Turning Scope 3 Commitments into Supplier-Level Action across Asia

11 September 2026 | 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Solidaridad

SESSION OBJECTIVES



Understand the approaches for achieving verified emissions reductions in upstream agricultural supply chains



Deliberate on the need for companies to obtain reliable primary emissions data from their supply chains



Understand the need to measure and assess corporate performance in Scope 3 emissions reduction



Explore the role of transition finance in supporting suppliers and farmers to reduce emissions

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* Other speakers yet to be confirmed

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6:00 PM – 6:30 PM

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About the Forum

For economies across the Asia Pacific — central to global manufacturing, sourcing and consumption — the question is no longer whether sustainability matters, but how it shapes competitiveness, resilience and long-term value creation.

The Sustainable Global Value Chain Forum – Asia Pacific (2026) is being convened to create a dedicated regional platform for candid, multi-stakeholder dialogue for exchange of ideas, good practices, and perspectives across multiple stakeholders (business, public agencies, NGOs, bilateral agencies, multilateral agencies, academia, sustainability standards organisations, etc.) for promoting responsible and sustainable global value chains in the region.

The forum will aim to:

- Explore mechanism that help align perspectives and interests of relevant stakeholders on sustainable global value chains linked with Asia Pacific
- Develop innovative ideas for collaboration and actions (knowledge, policy, network) involving multiple stakeholders from the region

Why This Forum?

While sustainability and trade are widely discussed, there is limited space for:



Regional perspectives from Asia Pacific



Cross-country dialogue within the region



Alignment between policy, business practice and standards



Collaborative approaches across stakeholders

Organised and hosted by Centre for Responsible Business (CRB), the Forum builds on over a decade of experience convening multi-stakeholder platforms.

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