Infrastructure Investor Network America Forum

2024 Agenda

Wednesday 4 December

07:45 – 08:30
Registration and networking breakfast

08:30 – 08:45
Welcome from Infrastructure Investor and introduction from the chair

08:45 – 09:25
Panel: US Infrastructure investment: Strategies, advancements, and the journey towards growth

- A deep dive into the US' continuous journey towards growth in infrastructure investment
- How technological advancements such as AI have enhanced the efficiency and sustainability of infrastructure projects
- Predictions for the US infrastructure investment landscape for 2025

Hamza Fassi-Fehri, Partner, **Antin Infrastructure Partners**
Josh Oboler, Investment Partner, **Palistar Capital**
Michael Ryder, Co-Head and Partner, **Igneo**

09:25 – 10:05

Panel: Exploring the benefits of alternative innovative investment frameworks

- How co-investments act as J curve mitigation strategies
- What drives investors to opt for infrastructure secondaries amidst tough market conditions?
- What is needed from an investor perspective for the infrastructure secondaries market to grow and mature?

Paul Barr, Partner, **Pantheon**
Ying Lin, Vice President, **StepStone Group**

10:05 – 10:45

Panel: Creating value in an uncertain investment landscape

- Analysing value creation methods and practices carried out in the market across different assets
- Leveraging technology to enhance value creation in infrastructure investment
- LP views on the effectiveness of infrastructure investment in driving long-term value and mitigating risks

Ashli Aslin, Senior Analyst Real Assets and Infrastructure, **Albourne Partners**
Nicholas Hertlein, Managing Director, **Stonepeak**
Teresa Mattamouros, Managing Director, **Goldman Sachs Alternatives**

10:45 – 11:15

Coffee & networking break

11:15 – 11:55

Panel: Where is the value in ESG?

- How ESG data can help demonstrate performance to help make meaningful change
- How ESG can increase profitability and investment
- Why is ESG reporting important?

Jennifer Essigs, Head of Sustainability, **AE Industrial Partners**
Jensen Hodge, Sales Director - Infrastructure, Americas, **GRESB**

11:55 – 12:15

Keynote presentation

12:15 – 12:55

Panel: The influence of the US election on the domestic infrastructure landscape

- A deep dive into what's next for American infrastructure sub sectors
- What the election means for the IRA
- Investor projections for infrastructure under the new administration

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Jeremy Ebie, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, **Phoenix Infrastructure Group**

12:55 – 13:55
Networking break and LP lunch

	Stream A – Infrastructure investment	Stream B – Assets under the spotlight
13:55 – 14:35	**Navigating elevated interest rates across infrastructure investment** • The impact of interest rates and inflation on the infrastructure subsectors • How infrastructure investors plan to tackle the tailwinds from the increase in interest rates • Comparing core infrastructure to value add/optimistic strategies amid the increase of interest rates Tanya Jhamb, Associate Director, **OMERS Infrastructure**	**Navigating the consequences of fibre to the home overbuild** • Exploring strategies for sustainable growth and how to mitigate the negative impacts of fibre overbuild • Investigating methods to adapt to changing market conditions and the slow-down in dedicated digital allocations • Comparing strategies to avoid further overbuild
14:35 – 15:15	**The growth of emerging managers and mid-market infrastructure players** • Establishing a clear differentiation between emerging and mid-market managers • How do emerging managers prove themselves to LPs without a proven track record • Strategies for new managers to establish themselves in the marketplace Dr Barbara Weber, Founder, **B Capital Partners**	**Traditional energy "having it's moment again" – what this means for moving towards net zero** • How do we standardize a strategy to meet net zero? • How do we use the same terminology? • Predictions for the renewable and energy transition market over the coming years **Moderated by:** Andrea Logan, Director, **FirstPoint Equity**
15:15 – 15:55	**North America's position on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion** • Highlighting existing diversity and inclusion strategies put in place to address unconscious bias • The role of senior leaders in driving systemic change • Where does the infrastructure asset class place on the DEI scorecard	**Investing in America's transport infrastructure** • What the federal government incentives look like under the new administration to support infrastructure investment • Strategies to enhance the sustainability of transport infrastructure and how to finance them • Investor perspectives on the transportation sub sector

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15:55 – 16:30

Coffee & networking break

16:30 – 17:10

LP panel: North American LP investing strategies under the microscope

- Infrastructure vs other alternative asset classes. How is infrastructure faring?
- Will thematic investments continue to dominate investing opportunities?
- Investor perspectives on the rise of alternative investment strategies

Monica Huffer, Portfolio Manager, Private Markets, **Texas Municipal Retirement System**
Moderated by: Mark Weisdorf, Chair of the Investment Committee, **IST3 Infrastruktur Global**

17:10 – 17:40

Roundtables over drinks

- Investing across utilities infrastructure
- Social Infrastructure & PPP's
- Natural capital as the next frontier in the infrastructure market
- AI and technological innovations

17:40 – 17:45

Chair's closing remarks

17:45 – 18:45

Cocktail reception

Thursday 5 December

08:00 – 09:40

Registration opens and invite-only LP breakfast

09:40 – 10:10

Investor keynote

10:10 – 10:20

Market update from Infrastructure Investor

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10:20 – 11:00

The role of the energy transition on data centers and managing the increasing demand for AI

- Comparing existing strategies across the US to manage the power demand effectively and sustainably
- Exploring the growth in low-emitting data center providers in the US
- How companies are increasingly turning to off-the-grid experiments amid rising frustrations and navigating the associated regulatory and land acquisition challenges

Canan Anli, Senior Advisor, **GIRA Strategic Finance**
Vidyu Kishor, Investments Director, **Osaka Gas USA**
Matthew Mendes, Managing Director, Head of Infrastructure, **IMCO**
Avantika Saisekar, Managing Director, **Wafra**

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee & networking break

11:30 – 12:30

Debate: Conventional vs renewable energy sources

Thierry Vandal, President, **Axium Infrastructure (Renewable energy sources)**

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch break including Women in Infrastructure lunch (invite-only)

13:30 – 14:10

LP panel: How to navigate the current fundraising environment

- Does infrastructure still offer the same beacon of hope for investors in turbulent times?
- How to navigate the unprecedented need for new infrastructure in a period of record-high government deficits and supply-demand imbalance
- What's next for infrastructure fundraising as investors abandon the "wait and see" approach of 2023?

Anna Dayn, Managing Partner, **New End**

14:10 – 14:50

Panel: The contribution of infrastructure debt in delivering secure, long-term returns

- The role infrastructure debt plays in acting as a hedge against inflation
- Exploring the most popular strategies across the debt space
- What's next for infrastructure debt investors

Luke Fernandes, Head of Infrastructure Finance, **Swiss Re**

14:50 – 15:30

Infrastructure Investor: Emerging Managers Investment Committee Case Study
Two hand-picked emerging fund managers will present an investment case study in this exclusive, data-driven and interactive format. Hosted by an experts, you'll have the chance to ask questions, share your thoughts in our very own investment committee.

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Chair's closing remarks

Join the event

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