

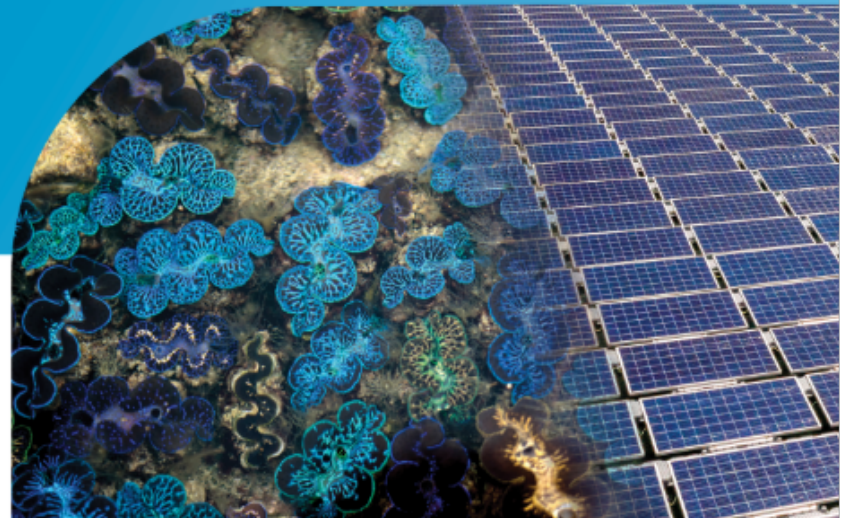
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Speakers' Profile

	Name	Title	Bio
	Mr. Yuebin Zhang	Principal Regional Cooperation Specialist, Asian Development Bank (ADB)	<p>Mr. Yuebin Zhang has over 35 years of experience in development and poverty reduction and has been deeply involved in regional cooperation and integration (RCI) since 2003. He joined ADB's East Asia Department in 2006 and is now Principal Regional Cooperation Specialist in the Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department, with responsibilities for monitoring implementation of ADB's RCI strategies and operational plans, managing RCI funds, providing operational support to regional and sector departments, ensuring quality of RCI projects through RCI classification, and coordinating with development partners on RCI issues. Before joining ADB, Mr. Zhang had worked in the Ministry of Finance, People Republic of China (PRC). He also served as Advisor to PRC's Executive Director at the World Bank Group; and worked in International Finance Corporation as a staff member.</p>
	Dr. Clyde Hutchinson	ADB-Korean Climate Technology Hub (K-Hub)	<p>Dr. Clyde Hutchinson is a Senior Technology Specialist at the ADB-Korea Climate Technology Hub, where he connects the climate technology needs of developing member countries with leading solution providers. With an academic background spanning Tokyo, Imperial College, and Cambridge, he has worked across five continents supporting innovation, investment, and technology scaling. His expertise spans sustainable development, blue economy, digital transition, transportation, energy, and food systems.</p>
	Ms. Mary Kim	Healthy Oceans Lead, ADB	<p>Ms. Mary Kim is a Senior Environmental Specialist in ADB, based at HQ in Manila where she is the Healthy Ocean projects' focal. She holds a master's in law from the University of Sydney and a Master's in Environmental Management and Development from the Australian National University. Prior to joining ADB, she worked on Australia's aid program at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade focusing on environment, climate change, and the Pacific region.</p>

	<p>Ms. Jessie McComb</p>	<p>Senior Tourism Industry Specialist, ADB</p>	<p>Ms. Jessie F. McComb recently joined the ADB as a Senior Tourism Industry Specialist where she leads the Sustainable Tourism Community of Practice and designs and implements impactful tourism investment projects. Prior to joining ADB, Jessie held senior positions at the World Bank and the International Finance Corporation, where she led regional initiatives on sustainable tourism and advised governments on policy reform, integrated planning, and investment strategies, promoting private sector-led tourism development. With over 20 years of experience, she has become a trusted advisor to governments and businesses seeking to maximize the economic potential of tourism. Jessie holds a Masters of Tourism Administration from George Washington University with a concentration in Sustainable Destination Management.</p>
	<p>Dr. Cindy Cisneros-Tiangco</p>	<p>Director of Emerging Areas, Energy Sector, ADB</p>	<p>Ms. Tiangco's innovative work in ADB helped pave the way for significant renewable energy development in the region. She now focuses on frontier technologies, cross-sector integrated solutions, and innovative approaches to maximize impact. Ms. Tiangco led the design of Uzbekistan's International Solar Energy Institute and its solar roadmap that led to gigawatt scale deployment in less than 10 years. She catalyzed the first solar project in Afghanistan, conceptualized the first energy sector financial intermediation project in Armenia, and introduced the renewable energy auction mechanism in Kazakhstan. Ms. Tiangco pioneered floating solar photovoltaic (FPV) in ADB, and her pilot projects in Azerbaijan and in the Kyrgyz Republic are scaling up and are poised to change the landscape in Central Asia. In the Pacific, Ms. Tiangco is leading ADB's first energy sector projects in Kiribati and Tuvalu. As part of the FPV roadmap she advanced for 11 Pacific island countries, Ms. Tiangco developed the first near-shore marine FPV plus productive uses of energy projects in Kiribati and Tuvalu. These will constitute one package under ADB's first regional procurement floated in 2024. She also conceptualized ADB's first design-build-operate contracting in 2014 and cross-sector joint procurement in 2021. Ms. Tiangco holds a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (cum laude), a Master of Engineering major in renewable sources of energy, and a PhD in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering.</p>

	Mr. Yongjun Sung	Founder and CEO, INGINE	<p>Mr. Yongjun Sung is the Founder and CEO of INGINE, and the original inventor of its proprietary wave energy harvesting technology. With a professional background in plant engineering, he has been leading the development of this technology since 2012. He is actively involved in global initiatives to drive the sustainable blue economy through practical and scalable wave energy conversion. INGINE has achieved Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 7 and is currently conducting a Commercial Demonstration Project in Indonesia. Unlike offshore systems, INGINE's technology—encompassing both onshore and nearshore solutions—is a mission-oriented innovation specifically designed for small-to-medium-sized projects required for distributed energy resources (DER).</p>
	Ms. Jiwon Mun	Overseas Sales Assistant, SCOTRA	<p>Ms. Jiwon Mun is the Overseas Sales Assistant at SCOTRA, a company specializing in manufacturing, engineering and installing floating solar systems. She holds a bachelor's degree in international relations from the University of Birmingham. She has a strong academic and professional interest in international development and global cooperation, particularly in the field of renewable energy. Her undergraduate dissertation explored the role of global actors in advancing sustainable energy solutions.</p>
	Mr. Woojin Choi	Attorney at Law, formerly Managing Director at Macquarie Capital Group	<p>Mr. Woojin Choi was the Head of Korea at Corio Generation between 2022 and 2026, and prior to that he was Managing Director at Macquarie Capital Group, heading up Macquarie Asset Management's Green Investment Group's Offshore Wind Business in Korea. He previously held senior roles at Shin & Kim, and the Korea Wind Energy Industries Association. He is currently practicing as an Attorney at Law.</p>

	<p>Mr. Ahmad (Aki) Baihaki</p>	<p>Ocean Innovation Project Advisor, The Nature Conservancy (TNC)</p>	<p>Mr. Ahmad (Aki) Baihaki is the TNC Ocean Innovation Challenge Advisor, with over two decades of experience spanning technology, ocean conservation, and sustainable finance. He previously led sustainable finance initiatives at TNC Indonesia, developing blended financing facilities for MSMEs and nature-positive enterprises. Educated at the National University of Singapore and Leiden University, he focuses on aligning tech-enabled innovation with finance models, public-private partnerships, and ecosystem-based solutions. Earlier in his career, he worked as a tech consultant in Europe before leading Global Fishing Watch Indonesia and later serving as a Senior Oceans Specialist at the World Bank, with a focus on blue economy and coastal resilience.</p>
	<p>Dr. Frank Keith Griffin</p>	<p>Executive Director, Coral Triangle Initiative on Coreal Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF)</p>	<p>Dr. Griffin has over 20 years' experience of working in government, intergovernmental, and/or international organization. Dr. Griffin has vast experience in managing, maintaining and establishing partnerships in areas pertinent to the organizations that he has worked for, including with JICA, AusAID, NZAID, AFD, and the EU. Prior to joining the CTI-CFF Regional Secretariat, Dr. Griffin led and represented UPNG and SPREP at national, regional and international meetings. Dr. Griffin holds a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of York in England; a Master of Science from the Australian National University, a Post Graduate Diploma in Science and Bachelor of Science, both from the University of Papua New Guinea. In the last 20 years, he has expanded his knowledge base and experience to cover terrestrial and marine science, environment, international and regional relations, public policy, public administration and laws and regulations that not only govern organizations but also regional and international frameworks and conventions.</p>
	<p>Mr. Matthew Viner</p>	<p>Frontier Fund Manager, ADB</p>	<p>Mr. Matthew Viner helps lead operations, strategy, and investment processes for the ADB Frontier Fund, ADB's platform for mobilizing private capital into frontier markets across Asia and the Pacific. Prior to joining ADB, Matt launched and managed Myanmar's first venture capital fund, co-founded the Myanmar Private Equity and Venture Capital Association, and developed a regional accelerator program across the Mekong region. He also launched a pay-as-you-go solar fintech business in Cambodia and spent several years advising companies on market entry and exit across Cambodia, Myanmar, and Laos. He has over a decade of experience in impact investing and private sector development, with a focus on innovative financing structures for underserved markets. Matt's first posting with ADB was the scoping, design, and</p>

			<p>establishment of ADB Frontier Pacific, where he developed a particular focus on blue economy enterprises and the investment pathways needed to support sustainable ocean-linked livelihoods across the Pacific. He continues to support the design of new partner initiatives and financial products at Frontier.</p>
	<p>Mr. Valtter Louhivuori</p>	<p>Senior Investment Specialist (Agribusiness), ADB</p>	<p>Mr. Valtter Louhivuori is a Senior Investment Specialist at ADB focusing on structuring and executing private sector investments supporting sustainable food value chains, including aquatic foods linked to the blue economy. Valtter has a 15-year career in sustainable finance, spanning private and sovereign investment operations across Latin America, Africa, and Asia with a passion for improving the sustainability and resilience of agribusinesses. Prior to joining ADB in 2025, Mr. Louhivuori worked for Finnfund in Nairobi, Kenya, where he served as Head of the Africa regional office.</p>
	<p>Ms. Pamela Asis-Layugan</p>	<p>Regional Cooperation Specialist, ADB</p>	<p>Ms. Pamela Asis-Layugan has more than two decades of experience advancing regional cooperation and integration across Southeast Asia. She provides technical and strategic support to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), with a primary focus on the Brunei Darussalam–Indonesia–Malaysia–Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA) and the Indonesia–Malaysia–Thailand Growth Triangle (IMT-GT). Her work contributes to the formulation of strategy, project pipeline development, and analytical work on economic corridors, cross-border connectivity, and a wide range of sectors of cooperation. She works closely with subregional secretariats and national counterparts to translate regional priorities into tangible results that promote inclusive growth and cross-border collaboration. Pam also leads capacity-building initiatives, including the BIMP-EAGA, IMT-GT, and Greater Mekong Subregion Capacity Building Program, also known as the B-I-G Program. In this role, she designs and delivers training on public policy, project management, and regional cooperation and integration for government officials, mainly in Southeast Asia, with participation from Central Asia, South Asia, and the Pacific.</p>