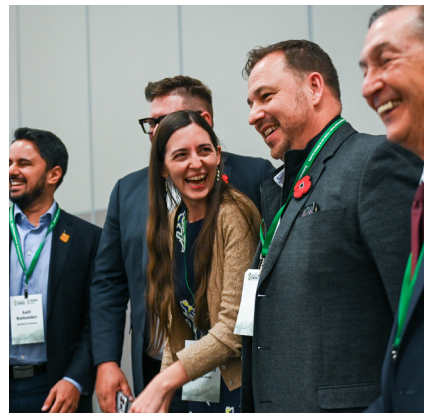


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That is why initiatives like this one, that bring people together, not with a focus on just doing well, but on doing good at the same time, of understanding that **every choice we make, everything we do is connected to everything else**. And when it is done right, the economy is not a zero-sum game, and everyone can succeed.

— Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

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On November 1-2, 2023, over 600 finance and community leaders, elected officials and policy makers came together for the 2nd annual Sustainable Finance Forum.



Bringing these powerful ideas to Ottawa is how we align policy with opportunities for investments with impact.

“Addressing climate change is the moral imperative of our age, but it is also the greatest economic opportunity of our time.

— Mark Carney, UN Special Envoy on Climate Action and Finance

The Forum mobilized an unprecedented lineup of speakers on topics such to identify the policy changes that are necessary to mainstream sustainable finance in Canada, and add urgency to the implementation of those changes.



Day 1 Opening Plenary

With 300% growth in attendance from the previous year, the Forum demonstrated broad-based support for this national dialogue, highlighting how mobilizing finance is an essential and powerful strategy to grow an inclusive and sustainable economy.



Hon. Chrystia Freeland



Elder Claudette Commanda



Marc-André Blanchard



But let us make sure we all think differently about risk. **There's a risk in not doing anything. There's a risk with the status quo.** And that is all of us.

– **Marc-André Blanchard**, Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec



Hon. Steven Guilbeault



We need to move forward on policy to **align Canada's financial flows with our climate goals**, including through guidance for **credible and mandatory climate-related financial disclosures** and **the next step of a taxonomy** to define sustainable investments.

– **Hon. Steven Guilbeault**, Minister of Environment and Climate Change



Rick Smith



If done right, **this net zero transition will actually cut costs for consumers**, as opposed to the converse, which is the argument you more commonly hear.

– **Rick Smith**, Canadian Climate Institute



Andrea Dicks



Jeffrey Cyr



Katherine Hayhoe



Every decision is a climate decision. And to care about this issue, you don't have to be an environmentalist or a scientist or a former minister of the environment and climate change.

— Katherine Hayhoe, The Nature Conservancy



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