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Breathing Life into Infrastructure Finance: Integrating Health, Air Quality, Climate and Nature

Human-induced environmental changes, including climate change and biodiversity loss, are increasingly threatening global health, endangering billions through extreme weather, vector- and water-borne diseases, and other health challenges. Low- and middle-income countries face the most severe consequences. Over 12.6 million deaths yearly are linked to preventable environmental factors like air pollution, which alone causes over 7 million premature deaths.

Addressing these crises requires a holistic approach that integrates health, climate, and nature across all sectors, particularly in infrastructure finance. The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and the Our Common Air Commission (OCA) are convening leaders to strengthen international cooperation and secure stronger commitments leading up to COP30, with an emphasis on boosting infrastructure investment that promotes planetary health and addresses the interconnected challenges between health, air quality, climate, and nature.

This event aims to enhance awareness of the links between health, climate, and nature within the realm of infrastructure finance, generate research to inform policy development, and cultivate partnerships for collective action, with a particular focus on financing the health, climate, nature, air quality nexus.

SPEAKERS

Keynote Speakers	Jin Liqun	President, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
	Soumya Swaminathan	Co-Chair, Our Common Air / Former Chief Scientist, World Health Organization (WHO)
Moderator	Jane Burston	CEO, Clean Air Fund
Panelists	María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés	Former President of the UN General Assembly / President of the Cities Alliance / Executive Director of GWLVoices
	Hun Kim	Acting Vice President, Investment Solutions, AIIB
	Maria Kozloski	Senior Vice President, Innovative Finance, Rockefeller Foundation
	Maria Neira	Director of Environment, Climate Change and Health, WHO
	Ivan Oliveira	Deputy Secretary for Sustainable Development Finance, Ministry of Finance of Brazil
	Stefan Wintels	CEO, KfW Group

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