1. What are the objectives of this GFLP Seminar in November 2018?

The GFLP provides a global platform for knowledge sharing on green and sustainable finance, with an objective to inspire innovation, scale up sustainable finance and facilitate the sustainable transformation of the global economy. The inaugural GFLP Program launched in May 2018 was attended by 120 policy makers, financial regulators and practitioners from 35 emerging economies. Among the topics of expressed interests were how financial market policies can help create the reform momentum, incentivize private sector participation, reduce perceived risks for green investment, and put in place consistent standards across the market.

The Seminar in November 2018, the second installment of the GFLP Program, will advance this important conversation by focusing on the global experiences in establishing policy frameworks for sustainable and green finance development. It will convene financial regulators, policy makers, financial institutions and other key stakeholders for in-depth exchanges on sustainable and green finance policy roadmaps, taxonomies, policy incentives, disclosure requirement and capacity building.

2. Who should attend this Seminar?

Target audiences of this Seminar include policy makers and financial regulators (such as Central Banks, Banking and Securities regulators), senior officials of Ministry of Finance, Securities Exchange, Ministry of Environmental Protection, as well as senior officials of major financial institutions in charge of green finance strategies. Policy researchers and NGOs in green/sustainable finance are also welcome.

3. Who are the hosts of the Seminar?

This Seminar will be hosted by the Center for Finance and Development of Tsinghua University, the IFC-supported Sustainable Banking Network (SBN), and the China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED).

The Center for Finance and Development of Tsinghua University, led by Dr. Ma Jun, sponsors and conducts research and training projects with the aim of addressing practical policy issues in the area of finance and sustainable development. Current
research priorities of the Center include green finance, global financial governance, emerging market finance, financial risks, and investment in the Belt & Road region. Dr. Ma is also the Chairman of China’s Green Finance Committee, Co-Chair of G20 Green Finance Study Group, and member of the Central Banks and Supervisors Network on Greening the Financial System.

The SBN is a unique community of financial sector regulatory agencies and banking associations from emerging markets committed to advancing sustainable finance in line with international good practice. The Network facilitates the collective learning of members and supports them in policy development and related initiatives to create drivers for sustainable finance in their home countries. 35 countries from Asia, Africa, Latin America and Middle East are now represented at SBN.

The CCICED was founded in 1992 as a high-level international advisory body with the approval of the Government of China. Along with rapid economic and social progress, the Council has witnessed and taken part in China's historic shifts in its development philosophy and model. The CCICED has played a unique role in championing sustainable development. It has opened the door to international experience on sustainable development and built a bridge between China and the international community on environment and development.

4. Is there a registration fee for the event? Who will cover the other costs for attending the Seminar?

There will be NO registration fee for the Seminar. The organizers will cover working lunches during the Seminar sessions. Other expenses such as hotel accommodations and international air tickets should be borne by the participants and their respective organizations.

5. In what language is the event delivered?

The Seminar will be conducted in English, with simultaneous interpretation provided if any guest speaks Chinese.

6. We might need a visa to visit China. Whom shall we contact for visa invitation letters and other queries about the event?

For questions related to visa letters, please kindly contact Ms. Yi Yang at IFC Beijing Office (yyang5@ifc.org).
For other questions, please contact Mr. Cheng Lin (chengl@pbcslf.tsinghua.edu.cn), Ms. Qi Xing (qixing@pbcslf.tsinghua.edu.cn) and Ms. Wei Yuan (wyuan@ifc.org)

7. What are the recommended hotels?

The Seminar will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel Sun Palace Beijing, Yunnan Dasha, Northeast Corner of Taiyanggong Bridge, Xibahe, Northeast 3rd Ring Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing.

We have negotiated preferential rates with the Hotel for the participants of the Seminar. Reservations made through the following link will be at preferential rates: https://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=CP&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=pegsp_PMID=99801505&GPC=AE9&viewfullsite=true