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Unlocking Private Finance for Nature as Infrastructure: A Public-Private Partnership

Nature finance today remains fragmented and insufficient to address the magnitude of global biodiversity loss and climate change. To bridge the gap, the report “Unlocking Private Finance for Nature as Infrastructure: A Public-Private Partnership” introduces a new paradigm: treating nature as infrastructure and deploying Public-Private Partnerships for Nature (PPPNs) as a core delivery model.

Jointly developed by the African Development Bank (AfDB), the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), and the Paulson Institute, the report highlights how ecosystems such as forests, wetlands, and mangroves can be recognized as critical, investable assets, enabling nature to access the same financing pathways as traditional infrastructure through national investment plans, blended finance, and PPP frameworks.

By aligning public policy with private capital, PPPNs can provide standardized structures, long-term contracts, and measurable outcomes to scale up private investment in high-integrity nature projects.

This event will explore how governments, multilateral development banks, and investors can operationalize PPPNs, integrate nature into economic systems, and deploy catalytic financial instruments such as guarantees, insurance, and biodiversity credits to mobilize capital at scale.

SPEAKERS

Opening Presentation	ERIK BERGLOF	Chief Economist, Economics Department, AIIB
Recorded Speeches	JIN LIQUN	President and Chair of the Board of Directors, AIIB
	HENRY M. PAULSON, JR.	Founder and Chairman, Paulson Institute
Panelists	ALBERT PARK	Chief Economist, Asian Development Bank
	MARIANA SARMIENTO	Founder and CEO, Terrasos
	HARVEY LOCKE	President, Harvey Locke Conservation Inc.; Vice Chair for Nature Positive, IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas

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