

#### Virtual event

Corporate sustainable reporting and EU Taxonomy: a compass for the recovery of Europe?

Practical implications for the EU, investors and companies

14th September 2021

11h-12h30

5 minutes Welcome Address

Dominique Riquet, Co-Chair of the Sustainable, Long-term Investments &

Competitive European Industry Intergroup

10 minutes Keynote Speech

John Berrigan, Director-General of Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital

Markets Union, European Commission

55 minutes Panel discussion - Non-financial reporting and an EU Taxonomy for

sustainable activities: a compass for the recovery of Europe? Practical

implications for the EU, investors and companies.

Moderated by Laurent Zylberberg, Chair of the European Long-Term Investors Association (ELTI)

Patrick de Cambourg, Chair of the Autorité des normes comptables

Michael Zimonyi, External affairs & Policy Director at CDSB and Co-chair of the

Informal Working Group on Sustainable finance

Jana Bour, European Policy Manager, European Public Real Estate (EPRA)

Henning Häder, Policy Director Eurelectric

15 minutes Q&A

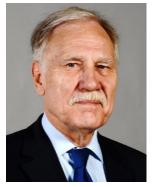
5 minutes Closing remarks

Paul Tang, MEP, Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats



#### BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS AND PANELLISTS (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

## Dominique Riquet, Member of the European Parliament, Co-Chair of the Sustainable, Long-term Investments & Competitive European Industry Intergroup



Dominique Riquet was elected in the European Parliament for the first time in 2009. He was reelected in 2014 and 2019. He served many years as Vice-Chairman of the Transport and Tourism Committee. He was involved in several legislative files on the financing of major infrastructure projects, notably as rapporteur on the "Connecting Europe Facility", a fund aimed to finance major European transport, energy and telecommunications networks. From 2009 to 2014, he was also a member of the Committee on Budgets. In addition to his committee assignments, he founded and chaired the parliamentary intergroup on long-term investments.

Since the 2019 European elections, Dominique Riquet has been serving as Vice-Chair of the Renew Europe group. He sits in the Transport and Tourism

and in the Industry, Research and Energy Committees.

Dominique Riquet was also heavily involved in local politics. In 1989 he became deputy to the Mayor of Valenciennes, Jean-Louis Borloo. He was then mayor of the city from 2002 to 2012. He was also a regional councillor from 1992 to 2009 and Vice-President of the Valenciennes Métropole from 2008 to 2014.

Dominique Riquet is a surgeon and urologist and a former head of department at the Valenciennes Hospital Centre.

# John Berrigan, Director-General of Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union, European Commission



John Berrigan is the Director General in the Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union of the European Commission, responsible for EU-level policy making and legislative initiatives with respect to the financial sector, including Banking Union, Capital Markets Union, sustainable finance, digital finance, antimoney laundering and sanctions. In this context, John represents the European Commission on the Economic and Financial Committee and the Financial Services Committee, which report to EU Finance Ministers. He also represents the Commission on the Financial Stability Board, which reports to G20 Finance Ministers. He attends the European Systemic Risk Board and is a permanent observer on the Single Resolution Board.

John has been a Commission spent most of that time working on ECFIN (where he contributed to and more specifically to financial-



official since the mid-1980s and has financial-sector issues - first in DG macro-financial analysis in general sector aspects of the assistance

programmes for Member States) and now in DG FISMA. He worked on preparations for the introduction of the euro in 1999 and was secretary of the so-called Giovannini Group, which produced reports, inter alia, on issues related to euro-denominated debt issues and post-trading in EU securities markets in the early 2000s. In the mid-1990s, he worked for several years with the International Monetary Fund.

John has a masters degree in economics from University College Dublin. He is married with two children.

## Laurent Zylberberg, Chair of the European Long-Term Investors Association (ELTI)



Laurent Zylberberg has a sociology and public law background. He holds a PhD (1992) in sociology and political science about the history of urbanism in Paris' region. Political adviser for various Ministers (Home office, Defence, Prime Minister's office, social affairs) from 1989 to 1993, in the meantime, he taught at the Sorbonne University in political science and public law. He was then Social Affairs Counsellor at the French Embassy in London until 1996 when he moved to Brussels to head the European's office of the lobbying company "Euroconsultants". Back to Paris in 1998, he joined France Telecom Group being marketing director for public services, then director for parliamentary affairs. He moved as Employee Relations Directors in 2005, first at international level then for the whole Orange Group. In 2011, he is appointed as General Manager for Orange Vietnam

and came back in France in 2013 when he became Group Chief Compliance Officer.

Since October 2014, he is Senior Executive Vice-President in charge of Public, International and European Affairs of Caisse des Depots Group and since 2016, Chairman of the European Long-Term Investors Association.

### Patrick de Cambourg, Chair of the Autorité des normes comptables



Patrick de Cambourg is President of the French accounting standards setting authority (ANC/ Autorité des normes comptables. Appointment by the French President in March 2015, reappointment in March 2021). As such he is also a Board member of the European body with advisory capacity to the European Commission on IFRS (EFRAG / European Financial Reporting Advisory Group) and a member of the IASB forum of major standards setters (ASAF / Accounting Standards Advisory Forum). In addition, he is a Board member of the French capital markets regulatory and supervisory authority (AMF / Autorité des marchés financiers), of the French banking and insurance supervisory authority (ACPR / Autorité de contrôle prudentiel et de résolution) and of the French financial stability board (HCSF / Haut Conseil de Stabilité Financière). At the special request of the French government, he recently

prepared two reports on the future of the accounting profession (June 2018) and on propositions to develop further non-financial information (« Ensuring the relevance and reliability of non-financial information: an ambition and a competitive advantage for a sustainable Europe ». May 2019.). Very recently he chaired the Project Task Force (Corporate reporting Lab@EFRAG) created to respond to the request received from the European Commission on preparatory work for the elaboration of possible



European Union non-financial reporting standards (« Proposals for a relevant and dynamic EU sustainability reporting standard-setting ». February 2021). Patrick de Cambourg, a Political Sciences graduate (Sciences Po Paris), holds also degrees in public law and business law and is Bachelor of Arts. As chartered accountant and auditor, he spent his professional career within the Mazars Group, successively as junior, manager and partner. He became President of Mazars in 1983. In 1995, he was appointed as Chairman of the Management Board of the then created international partnership and became in 2012 Chairman of the Supervisory Board. Since late 2014, he has been Honorary President of the Mazars Group.

## Michael Zimonyi, External affairs & Policy Director at CDSB



Michael has close to 10 years' experience in the field of publicly disclosed corporate financial and non-financial information both in the European context and at the global level, in the review of corporate annual reports and the advise provided to national governments and public authorities such as supervisors or stock exchanges on the design, implementation and enforcement of corporate disclosure requirements. As such, he was involved in the developments of key standards in sustainability reporting, including but not limited to the TCFD Recommendations. He is a member of the UK Financial Reporting Council's Stakeholder Advisory Panel and former member of the EFRAG European Lab Project Task Force on Climate-Related Reporting.

The Climate Disclosure Standards Board (CDSB) is an international consortium of business and environmental NGOs. We are committed to advancing and aligning the global mainstream corporate reporting model to equate natural and social capital with financial capital. We do this by offering companies a Framework for reporting environment- and social-related information with the same rigour as financial information. Recognising that information about natural, social and financial capital is equally essential for an understanding of corporate performance, our work builds trust and transparency needed to foster resilient capital markets.

## Jana Bour, EU Policy Manager at EPRA – European Public Real Estate Association



Jana joined EPRA in 2016 from BDO International, the fifth largest network of public accounting, tax and advisory firms in the world. As EU Policy Manager at EPRA, Jana is responsible for developing EU advocacy & policy programmes to strengthen the European listed property sector. As an experienced strategic and policy advisor, she has worked on improving the position of listed REITs in various legislations, including Solvency II, PEPP or the EU Taxonomy Regulation.

Jana has a legal background with a specialisation in European Law gained at Maastricht University (NL). After she gathered a political experience in the European Parliament, she moved to the private sector representing and advocating for the interests of private property owners (UIPI).



## Henning Häder, Policy Director Eurelectric



Henning Häder is the Policy Director Issues at Eurelectric, the sector association representing the European electricity industry. Previously he has been Head of Unit in charge of Energy Policy, Climate and Sustainability and Eurelectric Advisor in charge of energy efficiency, electrification and climate issues. Before joining the association in 2011 he worked on European and security policy topics at the German Institute for International & Security Affairs and the United States Department of State at the US Embassy in Berlin. He holds a bachelor in European studies from Maastricht University and a master in international security studies from Kings College London.

## Paul Tang, MEP, Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats



Paul Tang is a Member of the European Parliament for the Partij van de Arbeid (PvdA) since July 2014, as part of the Group of Socialists and Democrats. He received a PhD in Economics from the University of Amsterdam and worked for the Dutch ministry of Economic Affairs and the Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis before entering the Dutch parliament in 2007.

Here, Paul Tang was spokesperson for financial and fiscal affairs from 2007 until 2010, right through the financial crisis.

In 2014, Paul Tang led the list of the PvdA for the European elections. In 2019 he was re-elected. Paul Tang mainly works on economic and financial affairs (ECON), with a focus on fair taxation and sustainable finance, and the role of data in our society (LIBE). Since September 2020, Tang is the chair of the subcommittee on taxation (FISC).