



Conference Agenda

8:45 a.m. SGT **Registration and Light Refreshments**

9:15 a.m. SGT **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Guy Deslondes – Managing Director, Global Head of Emerging Markets Development, S&P Global Ratings

9:25 a.m. SGT **Presentation | Emerging Markets: A Decisive Decade**

- How would emerging markets (EMs) drive global growth in the coming years?
- What are the opportunities and challenges for EMs as they strive to accelerate their development?
- How do EMs benefit from demographics, access to natural resources, evolving trade dynamics, and technological innovations?
- What do EMs tackle geopolitical disruptions, climate change risks, and the resurgence of trade protectionism?

Presenter:

Jose Perez-Goroze – Managing Director, Global Head of National Ratings & Analytical Solutions, S&P Global Ratings

9:35 a.m. SGT **Panel Discussion | Charting Emerging Asia's Next Cycle: Energy & Economics**

- How is Asia's economic outlook shifting resulting from the Middle East conflict and the AI-related tech export boom?
- What changes in oil markets, product flows, and the upstream and refining sector might become permanent?
- How could the drive for energy security reshape investments in the energy sector?
- What policy changes could we see from regional governments as they tackle increased conflicts, an aging population, and climate change?

Panelists:

Louis Kuijs – Chief Economist, Asia-Pacific, S&P Global Ratings

KimEng Tan – Managing Director & Sector Lead, Sovereign Ratings, Asia-Pacific, S&P Global Ratings

Premasish Das – Executive Director, Research and Analysis, Oil Markets, Midstream and Downstream, Asia and the Middle East, S&P Global Energy

Moderator:

Eunice Tan – Managing Director, Head of Credit Research, Asia-Pacific, S&P Global Ratings

10:15 a.m. SGT **Panel Discussion | Southeast Asia Regional Investment Needs and Funding Sources**

- What are growth drivers and risks underlining capital and investment demand in Southeast Asia?
- How is the domestic funding environment, in particular, bond market supporting the funding needs of issuers?
- Financial infrastructure, bankability, and financing structures
- What are the opportunities for cross border financing including offshore bond issuances?

Moderator:

Ritesh Maheshwari – Managing Director, Head of Southeast Asia and Asia-Pacific Head of Market Outreach, S&P Global Ratings

11:05 a.m. SGT **Refreshment Break**

11:25 a.m. SGT **Fireside Chat | Gulf States Credit Outlook – Now and After**

- Resolution: What are the key obstacles and chances of resolution vs. escalation?
- Aftermath: What is the damage? How long will it take to normalize? What will sovereign wealth funds do?
- Future: What are the lasting effects for Gulf states, Asia, and the role of U.S. and Asian powers?

Speaker:

Zahabia Gupta - Managing Director, Head of Credit Research Emerging Markets, S&P Global Ratings

Moderator:

Charles Chang – Managing Director, Greater China Country Lead, Corporate Ratings, S&P Global Ratings

11:45 a.m. SGT **Regional Spotlight | Navigating ASEAN's Risks and Opportunities Amid Geopolitical Upheavals**

- What are the impacts of the Middle East conflict on supply chain and trade on credit quality of corporates and financial institutions?
- How are corporates and financing institutions navigating the balance between elevated energy prices, energy security and energy transition?
- What are the balance sheet health and exposures of state-owned enterprises (SOEs) and conglomerates?
- What are corporates' vulnerabilities to refinancing risks and currency depreciation risks?

Panelists:

Simon Wong – Director, Corporate Ratings, S&P Global Ratings

Ivan Tan – Director, Financial Institutions Ratings, S&P Global Ratings

Cheng Jia Ong – Associate Director, Infrastructure Ratings, S&P Global Ratings

Moderator:

Shawn Park – Director, Corporate Ratings, S&P Global Ratings

12:15 p.m. SGT

Country Spotlight | Can India Sustain Its Economic Momentum? Drivers, Disruptors, and Deficits

- Macro Headwinds: Geopolitical fractures and energy volatility
- The impact of a weak monsoon
- Structural Anchors: Unlocking long-term growth potential.

Panelists:

Neel Gopalakrishnan – Director, Corporate & Infrastructure Ratings, Asia-Pacific, S&P Global Ratings

Moderator:

Geeta Chugh – Managing Director, Sector Lead, Financial Institutions Ratings, S&P Global Ratings

12:45 p.m. SGT

Closing Remarks

Ritesh Maheshwari – Managing Director, Head of Southeast Asia and Asia-Pacific Head of Market Outreach, S&P Global Ratings

12:50 p.m. SGT

Networking Lunch

1:50 p.m. SGT

End of Event

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