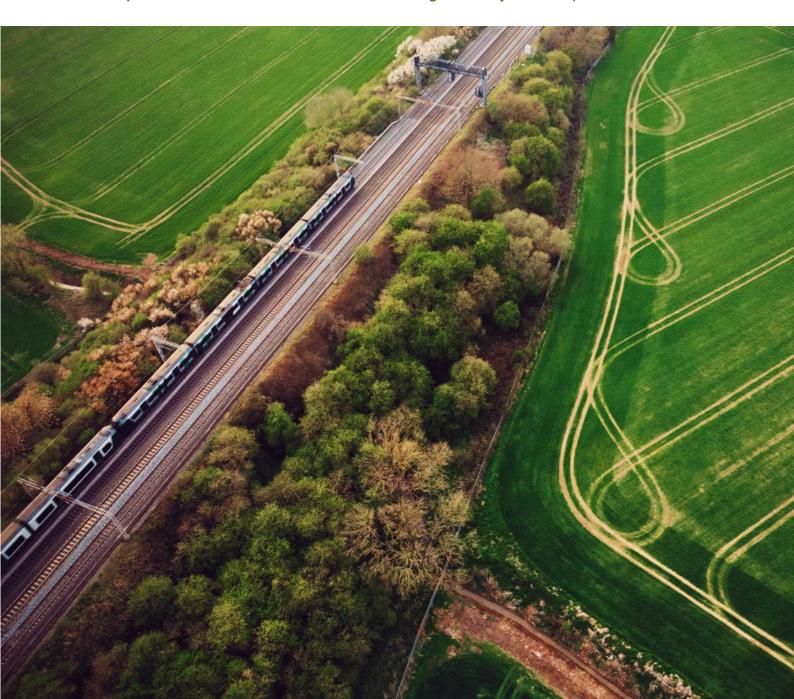


THURSDAY, JUNE 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 FROM 6pm CET, PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

INVITE-ONLY DISCUSSION EVENING

# SUSTAINABLE FINANCE & RAILWAY IN EUROPE

Experience with Green Bonds Financing Railway in Europe



#### **Invite-only Discussion & Networking Event**

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"Rail is the most sustainable mode of transport. Increasing its share of passengers and freight is critical to achieving net-zero goals" [BCG]

The Czech Infrastructure Association in cooperation with its partners organises a panel discussion on the future of financing of the major infrastructure programs in the Czech Republic.

France, Spain, Germany, Netherland and many other countries finance its investments into a railway by Green Bonds. French SNCF launched a major green bond programme six years ago and plans to convert all the SNCF Group's investments to responsible investment criteria by 2025. SNCF is currently the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest issuer of Green Bonds in France and the 6<sup>th</sup> largest in the world. By mid-2021, SNCF had issued €7.6 billion of Green Bonds through 22 issues to finance not only rail infrastructure (70 %) but also its rolling stock. The bonds have a maturity of between 10 and 30 years and have avoided emissions of 33 million tonnes of CO2e.

In the next 20 years, the Czech HSR program will require up to €50 billions of investments, which have a potential to qualify as EU Taxonomy eligible and attract an interest of European banking and capital markets.

## Thursday, June 8th 2023 from 6pm CET

The Flow Building, Vaclavske namesti 47, 110 00 Prague 1 | entrance from Opletalova street (map)

6:00 pm	30 min	Welcome drink
6:30 pm	60 min	Sustainable "Green" Financing of Railway Infrastructure Experience with Green Bonds Financing Railway in Europe
		Mona Bercaud, Head of International Affairs, SNCF Réseau Tomáš Čoček, Deputy Director for Economy, Správa železnic [International Sustainable Finance Centre] David Delgado Romero, Partner & Director CEE, Meridiam Lionel Epely, CFO, Vinci Concessions Vladislav Nožička, Executive Director for Specialised Finance, ČSOB Representatives of EIB and EBRD Representatives of Ministry of Transport and Ministry of Finance Tomas Janeba (president ARI) and Jan Brazda (partner PwC) – the moderators
7:30 pm	120 min	Networking with a glass of wine

#### The Flow



#### **Partners of the Discussion**







