Key takeaways from the recent

# Infrastructure Investor Global Summit, Berlin



Expert insights from HSBC AM's...

Rowan te Kloot, Managing Principal, Energy Transition Infrastructure

Spoke on the panel:

Sustainable infrastructure –
a core pillar of the alternatives portfolio?

Paul Rhodes, Head of Energy Transition Infrastructure, Asia Pacific

Spoke on the panel: **Progressing** the transition along the path to net zero



Rowan and Paul joined panellists to discuss the role of sustainable infrastructure investing and share the key drivers behind HSBC AM's focus on Asian mid-market energy transition investments.

Here's what they had to say...

# **Energy Transition Infrastructure**

#### Why energy transition?

"Energy transition investment caters to investors seeking compelling and sustainably aligned returns."

Focused on shifting from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources, energy transition investing can play a pivotal role in achieving net-zero goals and decarbonising the energy sector. And to meet those goals by 2050, \$194 trillion of investment in low carbon supply is needed<sup>1</sup>.

Many countries are aligning with net-zero commitments, deploying capital into green hydrogen, carbon capture, and circular economy initiatives which create huge deals flows in infrastructure.



#### Why Asia?

More than just a diversifier, we believe Asia's unique characteristics present a compelling and long-term investment opportunity.



Solid macro growth<sup>1</sup> and relatively benign inflation<sup>2</sup>



Massive scale investment needed on path to net zero3



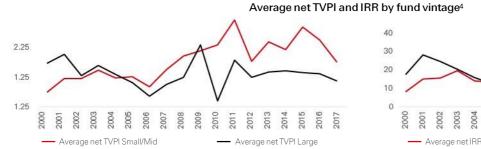
Large and rapidly growing renewable energy market and resource pool

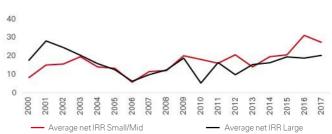


Gap created by core fund focus on Europe and US

#### Why mid-market?

Mid-market funds can benefit from the untapped potential of these projects, targeting deals with lower valuations and less competition compared to large-cap firms. At HSBC AM, we have the added benefit of our lender position, which allows us to negotiate better covenant packages and pricing for investors.





Funds dedicated to investment in mid-size private firms have typically outperformed equivalent large-scale funds."

#### The HSBC AM Edge

Being on-the-ground in Asia is vital to success in this market. HSBC AM offers the best access in the region, with...



Specialist knowledge and experience in ETI, giving investors targeted fund access



Hands-on experience in negotiating, structuring and executing transactions



Asia-based decision makers and team



Local insights and deep Asian networks that drive deal flow

### Driving the future of sustainable infrastructure

The insights from Rowan te Kloot and Paul Rhodes showcased HSBC Asset Management's commitment to sustainable infrastructure and energy transition investments. By championing the Asian mid-market, HSBC AM is helping investors progress net-zero goals while tapping into what we believe to a compelling, long-term investment opportunity.

## Ready to explore the opportunities?

Find out how HSBC AM can help you align your portfolio with a sustainable future.

## Diversification does not protect against loss, nor guarantee returns

1. India predicted to outshine China as Asia remains a bright spot for global growth Asia's growth will outperform the U.S. and Europe, Morgan Stanley says

- 3. Source: Tsinghua University estimates for China, Investor Group on Climate Change estimates for Australia, Asia Investor Group on Climate Change estimates for other countries 4. Source: Preqin, Shroders Capital, data as of 2023, performance numbers are net to investors



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**Illiquidity:** An investment in alternatives is a long-term illiquid investment. By their nature, alternatives' investments will not generally be exchange traded. These investments will be illiquid.

**Long term horizon:** Investors should expect to be locked-in for the full term of the investment

**Economic conditions:** The economic cycle and prevailing interest rates will impact the attractiveness of the underlying investments. Economic activity and sentiment also impacts the performance of underlying companies and will have a direct bearing on the ability of companies to keep up with interest and principal repayments.

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Market risk: There is no guarantee in respect of

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