The 4th Annual Roundtable on Impact Investing - Embracing a Green and Inclusive Recovery

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High Impact Capital Advisors together with Chinses Academy of Financial Inclusion, Ford Foundation and Milken Institute jointly hosted the 4th Annual Roundtable on Impact Investing on July 15, 2021 at Ritz-Carlton Pudong Shanghai.

The global pandemic has put the entire world in a state of shock. The current public health crisis has turned lives upside down and caused massive economic uncertainty, brought ethics and inequalities to the fore, leaving citizens around the world grasping for solutions.

Although Impact Investing is not new, the growing realization of its necessity is new. Even as the pandemic battered the economy, impact investments pulled through, performing better than their conventional counterparts during the first quarter of the year. In China, we have seen a surge of interests in impact investing in responses to the pandemic and nascent commitment to net-zero.

How can we power stronger economies, create more inclusive growth and prosperity and contribute to a more sustainable world to help people of all backgrounds reach their full potential?

To capitalize on this momentous opportunity during these unprecedented times, a different kind of conversation is needed. This roundtable discussions aims to make sense of impact investing landscape, break down the barriers to unlocking investments, exchange solutions for scaling innovations, and debate issues and provide real case studies to accelerate the understanding of impact investing.

High Impact Capital Advisors , Chinese Academy of Financial Inclusion; Ford Foundation and Milken Institute assembled 20 distinguished speakers with selected 50 leaders, investors, innovators, and policy advisors for a lively dialogue on the prospects of impact investing in light of COVID.

The speaker included Mr. Steven, Managing Partner of High Impact Capital Advisors; Prof. BEI Duo Guang, President of China Academy of Financial Inclusion; Ms. Elizabeth Knup, Chief Representative, Ford Foundation Beijing Office;

Ms. Laura Deal Lacey, Executive Director, Milken Institute; Mr. LI Xiaobing, Executive Director of China Merchant Securities; Mr. LIU Dongwen, CEO of CD Finance Management Co.; Mr. CHENG En-Jiang, Program Officer of Ford Foundation; Dr. WU Zhong, Director-General of Finance Center for South-South Cooperation; Mr. YANG Sheng, CEO of Zuoli Kechuang Micro-finance Co.; Mr. Sathish Dhanapal, Global Head of Energy Specialists, responsAbility Investments AG; Mr. Ulrich Weber, Regional Director for Asia and Middle East at IPC; Ms. Alicia Garcia-Herrero of Chief Economist for Asia Pacific at Natixs; Mr. En LEE, the Head of Sustainable and Impact Investments at LGT; Mr. Elliott Donnelley, General Partner of the White Sand Investor Group; Ms. Rena Terfruechte, Director of Financial Institutions at DEG; Mr. Mervyn TANG, Global Head of ESG Research at Fitch Ratings; Mr. GAO Song Fan, Vice President of E Fund Management Company Ltd.; Mr. ZHANG Goujing, COO of Asia Green Fund; Ms. Sharon SHEN, Managing Director of TPG; Mr. ZHANG Dachuan, Executive Director of ESG Investments at Huaxia Bank; Ms. Fiona WUYANG, CEO of Grass-Capital; Ms. ZHU Yun Yolanda, Project Officer at IFC in Beijing; Ms. GU Qing, Program Officer of Ford Foundation to name just a few.

At the start of the Event, China Merchant Securities and High Impact Capital Advisors announced the launch of Cross-Border ESG Asset Backed Securities Partnership, the first ever ESG asset backed securities designed specifically for Chinese non-bank financial institutions under southbound trading via the Bond Connect scheme.

The participants learned about the case studies on CD Finance and Zuoli that are poised for growth on the road to deliver investment returns, environmental gains and social benefits; emerging investment opportunities of European central banks policies on impact investing past, present and future; and connects with peers that make sense of the landscape, broke down barriers and scale innovation to accelerate impact investing - green and social Innovations from catalyst, bridge, blend to scale from China and the global perspectives.

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