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# Belt and Road Connected Invest Philippines

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## Preliminary Agenda

09:00 **Welcome from FinanceAsia**

09:15 **“CEO’s Welcome” from Lead Sponsor(s)**

09:30 **Investment in Belt and Road Opportunities in the Philippines: The Government Perspective**

This one hour speech will see a leading Philippine politician examine ways in which the Philippines can benefit from the BRI and help drive growth along the trade routes for decades to come. This will include an update on the domestic “Philippine Development Plan” and outline how this domestic initiative can dovetail with the BRI, what sectors the Government sees benefiting most from the initiative, and provide a timeframe for prospective projects to break ground.

10:30 **Morning Coffee Break**

11:00 **Connecting the region: how the BRI will develop cross border cooperation and connectivity between ASEAN nations**

One of the main objectives of the BRI is to promote increased cooperation and connectivity between economies both along and outside the routes, driving economic growth amongst neighbouring countries. Increased investment in infrastructure throughout the region will bring opportunities for both domestic and international corporations to vastly increase their market footprint across not only SE Asia but on towards the Middle East, East Africa and Europe.

Takeo Koike, *Director, Office of Public-Private Partnership, ADB*

12:00 **The Silk Road Fund**

As a fund dedicated solely to Belt and Road initiatives, this presentation will shed light on the implications of the Fund for global investors, as well as the business opportunities for project owners and investors in the Philippines.

12:45 **Lunch**

14:00 **Opportunities and dangers for Institutional Infrastructure Investors into the Philippines**

This discussion will look at what the BRI, in conjunction with the PDP, will offer large institutional investors looking to invest in infrastructure across the Philippines. With over US\$167bn pledged to be spent on infrastructure over the next 5 years by the current government, where do investors see the opportunities to maximise their ROI, and what risks do they currently envisage as an impediment to increasing their exposure.

Kiyoshi Nishimura, *CEO, CGIF*

15:00 **Enhancing Connectivity through Transportation and Logistics Infrastructure**

This presentation will highlight the economic benefits of good infrastructure on the surrounding businesses and local economies. As roads and ports are built, what are the economic benefits to the local populace, and how can local area development spark further investment into the local economy.

Dr Jonathan Beard, *Executive Director, Head of Transportation and Logistics - Asia, Arcadis*

15:30 **Coffee Break**

16:00 **Leveraging BRI opportunities for the Philippines**

As the development of infrastructure throughout the country intensifies, what opportunities will this present to MNC’s, large domestic corporations, and SME’s in the Philippines? As connectivity between countries increases, how can local Philippine companies leverage this increased access to stimulate economic growth for the benefit of the country? What could this mean for industry sectors such as Tourism, Agribusiness and FMCG?

17:00 **Close of Conference and Cocktail Reception**