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Investor Group on Climate Change Commences 2017 Finance and Investment Summit

Today, the Investor Group on Climate (IGCC) kicks off the 2017 Finance and Investment Summit, bringing together 250 finance and investment representatives to discuss the impact of climate change.

This event is a unique opportunity for the finance sector to assess climate change implications for risk management and investment decision-making and to share practical knowledge on current market practice.

"The Paris Agreement sent a huge signal to global markets, cementing understanding that climate change has a cost and that decarbonising the global economy represents a major new investment opportunity", said Emma Herd Chief Executive Officer of the Investment Group on Climate Change.

"We know that trillions of dollars in new capital investment will be required to meet the ambitious goals of limiting global warming to less than 2°C and move to a net zero emissions economy by the second half of the century".

"But even 1.5°C of warming will have major impacts on infrastructure, requiring new and innovative investment models to build resilience across the community".

"And while the energy sector is undoubtedly on the frontline, we are also seeing huge change across asset classes such as real estate, agriculture and the land sector, fixed income, listed equities and more".

"The finance and investment industry has a huge role to play. Which is why the Investor Group on Climate Change is so pleased to convene this important event", said Herd.

The IGCC 2017 Climate Change, Finance and Investment Summit will take place from 9-10 October 2017 in Melbourne, Australia. More than 250 attendees will hear from over 50 speakers on the policy, investment and risk management impacts of climate change.

More information on the Summit, including the Program and full line up of speakers is available at www.igcc.org.au/Summit

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