

Inclusive Green Finance
Challenges and Opportunities
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Speakers' Biography

Johanna Nyman, AFI Head of Green Inclusive Finance



Johanna Nyman is Head of Inclusive Green Finance at the Alliance for Financial Inclusion, a global network of policymakers and regulators working towards inclusive finance for all.

She supports AFI's membership in developing and implementing policies and regulatory reform to advance Inclusive Green Finance. This is an emerging policy area aiming to empower those at the base of the economic pyramid to build their own resilience and enable mitigation of environmental degradation, through financial inclusion. She works directly with the 47 AFI members in the Inclusive Green Finance Working Group and leads the development of this policy area.

Prior to joining AFI, Johanna worked with global climate policy, green finance and climate security in the European Union. Her educational background is in environmental sciences and climate policy and she has published several scientific articles on modelling potential climate change impacts in the Arctic tundra.

Denise Voss, Chairwoman of LuxFLAG



Denise Voss is a Non-Executive Director of flagship funds of major fund promoters.

Ms Voss has worked in the financial industry in Luxembourg since 1990, and retired from Franklin Templeton in March 2020 after 25 years, where she was a Conducting Officer and member of the board of Franklin Templeton's Luxembourg management company. Prior to joining Franklin Templeton, she worked for 10 years at Coopers & Lybrand in Boston, USA and Luxembourg. She holds a Massachusetts C.P.A. license and obtained a BA from Tufts University, as well as a MSc in accountancy from Bentley University. Ms Voss is currently Chairwoman of LuxFLAG, an independent agency created in Luxembourg in 2006 to

support the financing of sustainable development. She is also Chairwoman of the EFAMA Investor Education Platform, was Chairwoman of ALFI from 2015-2019, a member of the ALFI board of directors from 2007-2019 and is currently a member of the ALFI Strategic Board.

Paul Weber, Luxembourg Ministry of Finance and Foreign Affairs – Directorate Development Cooperation



Paul Weber joined the Luxembourg Development Cooperation as an *Attaché thématique* in June 2020 and specialises in inclusive finance, Digital for Development and private sector engagement.

Prior to this assignment, Paul acted as *Chargé de Mission* in the Directorate of European affairs and international economic relations, where he worked in the unit responsible for the Benelux Union and the bilateral relations with the neighboring countries. He did monitor and contribute to analysis and reporting on the overall situation and development and did contribute to managing relations with a country and/or horizontal, sectoral or thematic issues.

In his current position, he is focusing on creating evidence, strategizing, and effectively supervising programmes in the areas of financial inclusion, private sector engagement and development. Paul Weber is a qualified sociologist and political scientist and holds a Master degree from the *RWTH Aachen University* and a bachelor's degree from the *Universität zu Köln*.