

Global Investors Convene in Toronto to Discuss Emerging Priorities for Long-Term Corporate Value Creation

London, United Kingdom, embargoed until 08:00 (BST) 12 June 2023: Some of the world's most influential largest investors will gather in Toronto this month, at the International Corporate Governance Network's (ICGN) Annual Conference, between 19 – 21 June.

"Hundreds of ICGN Members, including investors representing \$77 trillion in assets under management, look forward to engaging with Canadian capital market participants to discuss emerging governance and stewardship priorities. As the world faces unprecedented systemic events brought about by climate change, geopolitical tensions, and emerging technologies, it is more important than ever to convene consensus on ways forward to ensure corporate value is preserved and enhanced over the long term - ultimately benefiting our collective economies, societies, and the environment. 26 different markets will represented at the conference and we look forward to robust discussion." said Kerrie Waring, ICGN's Chief Executive Officer.

Following a welcome from ICGN, Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan (Conference Host) and Royal Bank of Canada (Conference Premier Partner), the opening keynote address will be given by Jaime Watt, Executive Chairman of Navigator and Founder of the Canadian Centre for the Purpose of the Corporation.

More than 75 speakers representing a range of leading organisations from Canada and around the world - including investors, companies, regulators and standard-setters - will address key topics, such as:

- The urgency of net zero carbon emissions by 2050, and the just transition
- Equipping company boards to deal with complex issues, and board responsibility in times of crisis
- Driving expectations for diversity, equity and inclusion in the investment industry
- Latest regulatory developments in Canada, the UK and Japan.

"As a committed member of the ICGN, we are proud to host its Annual Conference and we look forward to welcoming hundreds of governance and investment professionals to Canada to discuss the crucial issues underpinning long-term value," said Jo Taylor, President & Chief Executive Officer of the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan, which is hosting the conference.

Celebrating excellence in corporate governance and investor stewardship, we will present the winners of the ICGN Global Governance and Stewardship Awards, highlighting the work and achievements of professionals across the globe. The presentation will be followed by a networking drinks reception, hosted by the Investment Management Corporation of Ontario . Delegates are invited to a breakfast session on ICGN's work plan for 2023 and beyond, including latest policy initiatives.

The ICGN Annual Conference is being hosted by the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan, one of Canada's largest institutional investors, in Premier Partnership with the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC). ICGN is grateful for the support of our sponsors and partners. Full details of the agenda can be found at www.icgn.org/toronto

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Led by investors responsible for assets under management of around \$77 trillion, and bringing together companies and stakeholders, ICGN advances the highest standards of corporate governance and investor stewardship worldwide in pursuit of long-term value creation, contributing to healthy and sustainable economies, societies, and environment.

ICGN's comprehensive international work programme is based around three core objectives as follows:

- Influence: Promoting ICGN Principles as investor-led global standards for governance and stewardship and influencing public policy and professional practice.
- Connect: Delivering high-quality global events and webinars with unrivalled opportunities for networking, knowledge-sharing and collaboration.
- Inform: Enhancing professionalism in governance and stewardship practice through information and education.

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