

COMMENT

UKSIF Chief Executive comments on her appointment to UK Government's Green Investment Bank Advisory Group

London, 31 August 2011 – Penny Shepherd MBE, Chief Executive of UKSIF, the sustainable investment and finance association, has commented on her appointment to the UK government's Advisory Group for the Green Investment Bank.

The Advisory Group members were announced today by Business Secretary Vince Cable.

Penny Shepherd MBE, UKSIF Chief Executive, said:

"The Green Investment Bank is an outstanding example of government leadership in building a resilient low carbon economy for the UK. I look forward to using my understanding of the needs of long-term responsible investors to support the Bank's development."

About UKSIF

UKSIF, the sustainable investment and finance association, promotes responsible investment and other forms of finance that support sustainable economic development, enhance quality of life and safeguard the environment.

Founded in 1991 and celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, UKSIF has over 250 members including pension funds, asset managers, investment consultants, financial advisers, research providers, banks and non-governmental organisations. For more information, visit www.uksif.org.

About Penny Shepherd

Penny Shepherd has been UKSIF Chief Executive since 2005. She is also a lay member of the Professional Regulation Committee of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries.

Penny was awarded an MBE for "services to sustainable economic development and socially responsible investment" in 2000. She was the first Chief Executive of the London Sustainability Exchange (2001-2005) and has been a member of the Mayor of London's Sustainable Development Commission (2002-2007).

Penny has over thirty years of experience in working with the finance sector, including over fifteen years on sustainability and corporate responsibility issues. At the start of her career, Penny spent twenty years in the computer industry where she advised financial services and other companies on business solutions.

About the UK Green Investment Bank

The announcement of the Advisory Group membership and other information about the Green Investment Bank can be found at www.bis.gov.uk/greeninvestmentbank.

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