GXA and METI Hosted the GGX Finance Summit 2026 in Tokyo

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The GX Acceleration Agency (GXA), together with the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (METI), hosted the "GGX (Global GX) Finance Summit 2026" on October 26. The Summit, held in the midst of a rapidly changing landscape for green transformation (GX) at the global level, brought together representatives from industry, finance, governments, international organizations, and academia to discuss the state of GX policies, rise in transition finance, and a renewed growth of the GX industries.

1. Overview

- **The GX Acceleration Agency (GXA), together with the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (METI), hosted the "GGX (Global GX) Finance Summit 2026" on October 26.** Held under the overarching theme of "Accelerating GX in a Changing World: Towards Growth and Energy Resilience", the Summit provided a forum to discuss global frameworks that would strike the right balance between emissions reduction and economic growth.

- **Discussions focused on actions required to advance the GX agenda.** Remarks and lectures by distinguished guests from both Japan and beyond were matched by 3 panel discussions: global trends shaping GX; toward the global expansion of transition finance and increased GX investments; and new growth driven by GX.

2. Highlights from the GGX Summit 2026

- **GXA Chair Yoshinobu Tsutsui inaugurated the GGX Summit** with a video message, canvassing out the changing global landscape surrounding GX while underscoring the importance of accelerating GX in response to these developments.

- This was followed by a video message from **Lord Alok Sharma, Chair of the Transition Finance Council**, highlighting transition finance initiatives running in parallel in Japan and the UK, along with the potentials for stepping up cooperation between the two countries. He also underscored the importance of private capital mobilization.

Panel Discussion 1: Global Trends Shaping GX (Green Transformation)

- **Discussions converged around the need for stepping up GX and taking concrete actions** while pursuing the three goals of stable energy supply, economic growth and emissions reduction – all this against the backdrop of changing global trends marked by rising geopolitical tensions, concerns over energy security, and increasing demand for electricity driven by AI and data centers.
- **Also discussed were policies and frameworks that support scaling-up of GX investments**, resiliency of GX supply chains, and deeper cooperation with Asian economies that share similar economic structures with Japan.

Panel Discussion 2: Scaling Up Transition Finance: Mobilizing Capital for Real-World Decarbonization

- **Discussions focused on creating an enabling environment that facilitates the translation of transition finance into tangible investment**, recognizing that technology costs, market demand, future revenue streams, and policy uncertainties are key impediments. In this connection, panelists discussed that governments, financial institutions, and international organizations play important roles.
- **Also discussed were the importance of paying due respect to national and region-specific circumstances** while working with international frameworks; engaging with the corporate sector in supporting their energy transitions in a realistic manner, along with support provided by the government sector; and facilitating access to finance in an inclusive manner, including for businesses in emerging market companies and small and medium-sized enterprises.

Panel Discussion 3: GX Industries as a Driver of New Growth: Unlocking Japan's Strengths for New Industrial and Investment Opportunities

- **The panel explored how Japan's technological and industrial strengths can be leveraged** to turn GX investments into a driver of growth and the creation of new industries and investment opportunities – beyond the impending goals of decarbonization.
- **Also discussed were the ways and means to create and foster new GX industries by creating an investment environment** that can help bring promising technologies and projects from demonstration to commercialization while putting them on a sustained growth trajectory. To this end, panelists

exchanged views on the importance of demand creation, collaboration across industries and regions, mobilization of diverse sources of capital, partnerships across large corporations, start-ups, customers, and investors.

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- **Other speeches and sessions, including keynote addresses and special lectures, underscored the importance of leveraging GX as a driver for boosting economic growth and corporate value** while crystalizing further hope for scaling transition finance to underpin the transition of real economy.
  - **Naoko Ishii:** Director and Professor, Center for Global Commons, The University of Tokyo
  - **Kunio Ito: Director of** Hitotsubashi CFO Education and Research Center/ Professor Emeritus Hitotsubashi University / Chair of the GX Future Consortium
  - **Nicholas Pfaff**: Deputy CEO, International Capital Market Association (ICMA)
  - **Sadanori Ito**: Director-General, GX Policy Group, METI
- **Special Discussion between Amit Bouri, CEO and Co-founder of the Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN)**, and **Kanae Iomori, Director of GXA**, explored how impact investing can channel capital toward real-world emissions reductions and industrial transformation.
- **The following two distinguished guests delivered remarks at the Summit.**
  - **Masahiko Kato**: Chairperson, Japanese Bankers Association
  - **Kazuto Uchida:** President, Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF)

3. Closing remarks by Naoki Shigetake, GXA's COO

GXA COO Naoki Shigetake, in his concluding remarks, shared the following 3 items as his key takeaways from the Summit, while reiterating GXA's role in coming up with a concrete set of actionable solutions to advance the GX agenda.

- **Leverage GX as a driver for creating new industries and boosting growth**. Share Japan's expertise with Asia, where appropriate.
- **Leverage transition finance to enhance emissions reduction**, guided by credible transition plans produced by corporations.
- **Boost partnerships across key stakeholders**, namely industry, finance and

policymakers.

[Scenes from the GGX Summit 2026]



Opening remarks by Yoshinobu Tsutsui



Keynote Speech by The Rt Hon Lord Alok Sharma KCMG



Keynote Address by Naoko Ishii



Special Lecture by Kunio Ito



Panel Discussion 1: Global Trends Shaping the Green Transformation



Special Lecture by Nicholas Pfaff



Kanae Iomori reflecting on her dialogue with Amit Bouri



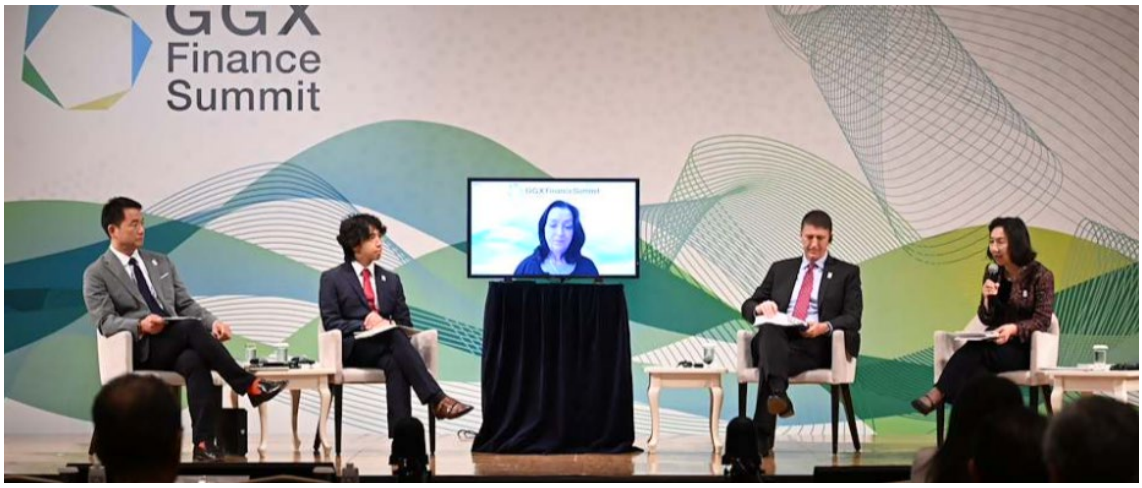
Guest Remarks by Masahiko Kato



Guest Remarks by Kazuto Uchida



Keynote Address by Sadanori Ito



Panel Discussion 2: POWERR GX for Japan’s Growth and Energy Resilience



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