

Financial Times Asia Infrastructure Summit, 23 March, Singapore

Will infrastructure development be the engine that brings Asia's economies out of recession?

ADB is pleased to be a Supporting Partner of the inaugural [Financial Times Asia Infrastructure Summit](#), a regional conference taking place on 23 March 2009 at the St Regis Hotel, Singapore.

The Summit will bring together senior regulators, developers, investors, bankers, and planners to discuss the massive infrastructure challenges facing emerging and developed economies in Asia and the impact of the financial crisis on strategy, financing and public-private partnerships.

A decade of sustained growth and rapid urbanization in Asia has placed increasing strains on infrastructure in the region. According to various estimates, Asian countries will need to spend US\$300 trillion to US\$400 trillion between now and 2020 to address the growing demand for roads, ports, power generators, water and sanitation systems and other facilities.

As the financial crisis begins to slow down economic growth, governments in Asia are responding with new stimulus plans that place substantial emphasis on infrastructure development as a means to stave off recession.

With an impressive line-up of infrastructure specialists, including ADB Vice-President Bindu Lohani, as well as senior FT journalists, the Asia Infrastructure Summit provides an opportunity to network with key players in the infrastructure space, and explore and debate some of the most pressing issues of the day.

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