

Centre for Finance Innovation and Technology (CFIT)

Meeting of CFIT SteerCo – Minutes

Date and time: 15.30 – 17.00 on Thursday 23rd June

Venue: Microsoft Teams Meeting

SteerCo proposals will constitute recommendations for the CFIT only, with final decisions to be taken by the permanent CFIT board and executive team once established.

Key themes discussed

Project plan update

- SteerCo reviewed the project plan including upcoming stakeholder coalition workshops and regional engagement. SteerCo agreed to schedule an additional meeting in August.

WaveSpace debrief

- SteerCo members reviewed feedback from the WaveSpace event. Key themes that emerged included diversity and inclusion, the importance of data and research, and the need to harness partnerships, including with academia and investors, to enable fintech scaling.
- SteerCo agreed that the event showcased a huge amount of expectation for CFIT from the fintech community and it will be important to focus this energy and enthusiasm on deliverable outputs.

Presentation from the Green Finance Institute (GFI)

- SteerCo heard a presentation from the GFI which covered:
 - The coalition model in practice, including approaches to identifying and prioritising coalition topics, project planning and management.
 - Approaches to funding and potential funding models to consider.
 - GFI's purpose and the importance of a clear, focussed strategy in defining opportunities and driving delivery.

Next steps

- The next meetings will be used to refine and prioritise potential coalition themes for CFIT.

Attendees

- Ron Kalifa (Chair)
- Laura Mountford – HM Treasury
- Damian Nussbaum – City of London Corporation
- Janine Hirt – Innovate Finance
- Gerard Grech – Tech Nation
- Sarah Williams-Gardener – FinTech Wales (representing FinTech National Network)
- Dan Godsall – Green Finance Institute (Guest Speaker)
- Lauren Pamma – Green Finance Institute (Guest Speaker)
- Anita Kimber – EY (Secretariat Lead)