Thinking Ahead Institute
An innovation network founded by WTW

TAI as your innovation partner

Mobilising capital for a sustainable future

Do you know that Thinking Ahead can provide **T**raining sessions for you and your colleagues? These can be tailored to your context, across a number of investment areas.

Did you know that our research was mentioned in over 400 press **A**rticles over the last year? We also had over 60 direct **I**nteractions with member organisations through projects, working groups and podcasts?

At TAI, we would love nothing more than to become your innovation partner. As your trusted partner, we can offer you:

1. Purposeful projects
2. Targeted training
3. Interactive working groups
4. Thought-provoking events
5. Engaging research, podcasts and insights

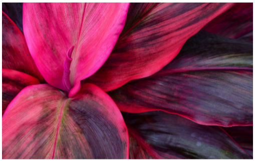
Please reach out if you are interested in becoming a member of the Institute or participating in projects such as peer benchmarking; revisiting investment beliefs; TPA transformation; governance; 3D investing; culture and so much more!

We have also recently released our annual Global Pension Assets Study – 2024 covering pension assets across 22 major markets, with over US$55.7 trillion AUM. Explore our key themes impacting pension assets and tune into our bonus podcast for an in-depth discussion.

Let's make 2024 a year of collaboration and innovation!

Join the institute

Global pension assets study



Projects

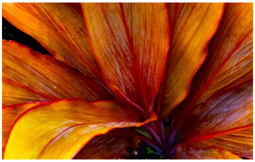
Our projects are tailored to enhance how your organisation operates. We engage leadership teams to boost effectiveness. Our latest project offerings cover horizon scanning, climate risk, better measurement, and adjusting ESG practices. Non-members can also access

Training

Drawing on years of Institute research we have created a new training hub for members. Here we show examples of training videos we can curate on hot topics, such as climate scenarios. More than that, we can conduct virtual or in-person training with member teams on these projects through consulting services.

Learn more

these important topics. Contact us if you are a non-member and would like us to do training sessions in your organisation.



Research working groups (member only)

It is our mission to achieve systemic change across the investment industry through innovation that creates long-term value for all our stakeholders. This is particularly true for our members. We believe joining a study or research working group is one of the best ways to derive value and help make these changes happen.

Learn more

Connections

One of the benefits of joining Thinking Ahead are the connections you can foster with fellow members. You can do so through working groups, events and by directly reaching out to members via our Member connections page.

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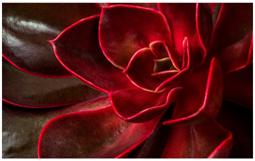

Events

As mentioned, our events are a great way to connect with Institute members and the broader industry. This year we have revamped our staple events with new names and an overall bigger vision. Look at what we have planned and take note that we have several public events that you may like to attend.

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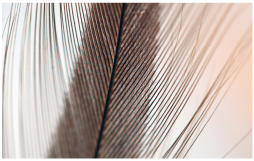

Research, podcasts and insights

Every year we produce engaging research in collaboration with our members. In our Impact and Influence 2023 report we detailed the 8 research papers, 5 global studies, 9 podcasts and 21 investment insights that we published last year. Please check out these resources, share them across your organisation and look out for more this year as they become available publicly!

Explore our impact

Research spotlight: Global Pension Assets Study – 2024

Thinking Ahead Institute produces a number of global industry studies each

Podcast spotlight: Sustainability shapers on widening social inequalities and writing for the soul

year, including the **Global Pension Assets Study**. This comprehensive analysis estimates pension fund assets across 22 major markets. It highlights trends and future considerations. Explore these key themes and tune into our **podcast** for an in-depth discussion.

Read the study

Explore our spin-off podcast series, 'Sustainability shapers' where we talk to industry leaders navigating rapid change and rising systemic risk. In our newest episode join us as we sit down with Jodie Tapscott, Vice President and Director of Responsible Investing Strategy at AllianceBernstein. We discuss the pressing topic of widening social inequalities and the power of writing as a form of self-expression.

Listen here

Upcoming events:

Perspectives+: The human, the machine and the cyborg (virtual)

Join us on 17 April at Perspectives+, an event exploring the fusion of human expertise, technology, and the future of investment professionals. This is a public event, all welcome.

Register here

Manager Ideas Exchange 2024 (Global)

WTW's MiX global event series will run with an annual cycle, made up of at least three exciting two-day events for asset managers. In addition to at least two virtual events on specific topical issues.

The MiX 2024 series will begin with MiX Europe, to be held in London at The Royal Lancaster Hotel on 23/24 April 2024. This will be followed by MiX North America which will be held in Chicago on 24-25 September 2024 at Convene Willis Tower. MiX Asia Pacific 2024 is now scheduled for 6-7 November 2024. MiX Virtual events will be announced throughout the year.

MiX 2024 global series

Training: Systems curriculum (virtual)

Do you consider your organisation to be a system? Have you ever been trained in systems? We are offering members a 'systems curriculum' featuring external speakers, our own content, and discussion forums. We will be running six sessions throughout the year, starting in May. **Contact us** if you are a non-member and would like your organisation to participate.

Learn more

Past events:

Exchange+: TAI/Future Fund Global Asset Owner Peer Study

We recently convened the **Global Asset Owner Peer Study summit**, sponsored by Future Fund. Set against the backdrop of insightful discussions and data-driven findings, this event explored beliefs and best practices that shape the decisions of asset owners in today's dynamic financial landscape.

2024 Annual member briefing

Earlier this year we held our **Annual member briefing**. During these briefings, we discussed our latest research program, shared details about upcoming events, and explored the exciting projects planned for 2024.

Please do share this with your colleagues.
If you have been forwarded this email and want to receive it in future, you can **subscribe here**.

Feel free to forward

We love to connect with new organisations. To find out more about how your organisation can start thinking ahead by getting involved in our working groups, events, and collaborations, please **read more**.

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About the Thinking Ahead Institute
The Thinking Ahead Institute was established in January 2015 and is a global not-for-profit investment research and innovation member group made up of engaged institutional asset owners and asset managers committed to mobilising capital for a sustainable future. It has over 50 members around the world with combined responsibility for over US$16 trillion and is an outgrowth of the Thinking Ahead Group which was set up in 2002. Learn more at **thinkingaheadinstitute.org**.

About WTW
At WTW (NASDAQ: WTW), we provide data-driven, insight-led solutions in the areas of people, risk and capital. Leveraging the global view and local expertise of our colleagues serving 140 countries and markets, we help you sharpen your strategy, enhance organizational resilience, motivate your workforce and maximize performance.

Working shoulder to shoulder with you, we uncover opportunities for sustainable success —and provide perspective that moves you.

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