

# IJGlobal Investor Awards 2025 – APAC judging panel

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We are delighted today to announce the Asia-Pacific judging panel for IJGlobal Investor Awards 2025 to celebrate achievements in APAC fundraising and deployment as well as M&A across the energy and infrastructure asset classes.

Now in their seventh year in London – having rebranded from IJInvestor Awards – this year (2025) will be the first time we are hosting an event in the APAC region (Singapore).

The awards ceremony will be held after IJGlobal's Infrastructure Finance Forum (IFF): Asia 2025 which runs from 18-19 November. More details are [available here...](#)

The APAC panel of judges for IJGlobal Investor Awards 2025 will assess all submissions – companies, transactions and individuals for that region – with EMEA being judged in London and North America in New York. You can view the judges for EMEA [here](#) and the judging panel for North America [here](#).



The awards recognise developments by infrastructure funds, investors and infra/energy M&A that made it over the line during the judging period that runs from 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025.

The submissions portal has now closed, and the APAC panel will meet for Judgment Day on 17 September while the awards night will be hosted in The Westin Singapore on the evening of 19 November.

IJGlobal prides itself on the peer-review nature of our awards, ensuring a transparent process that (we believe) makes them the most highly valued in the sector – submitted by the industry and reviewed by peers at the highest level. As always, judges are recused from voting on awards where they have an interest.

The judging line-up (in alphabetical order) includes:

- Rahul Agrawal – Actis
- Projesh Banerjea – KKR
- Vikram Kumar – IFC
- Joe Lufkin – Jexium
- Gautam Saxena – ING
- William Wu – Greenberg Traurig

## Rahul Agrawal

### Actis

Rahul is a partner in the energy infrastructure team and the head of energy business for SE Asia based in the Singapore office.

He joined Actis in 2012 and has been involved in several of Actis' energy infra investments in Asia and across the entire lifecycle of deal origination to portfolio management to exits.



He has been leading the origination and execution activities for SE Asia energy sector for Actis since 2016. Most recently he led Actis' investment of \$600 million in the MTerraSolar project in partnership with the Meralco group in the Philippines, which also happens to be the largest foreign direct investment in a single project in the country.

Rahul also manages 2 buy and build energy transition platforms in the region, Levanta Renewables (Actis Energy 5's SEA focussed renewable power platform) and Bridgin Power (Actis Energy Fund 5's Asia gas power platform) with deals executed in Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam.

Rahul has more than 20 years' experience spanning infrastructure and energy private equity, project finance, investment banking and advisory.

## Projesh Banerjea

### KKR & Co

Projesh is based in Singapore and joined KKR in 2022 as part of the Asia Pacific infrastructure team.

Prior to joining KKR, Projesh spent 10 years at the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA), where he was responsible for investing across the transport, energy, and digital infrastructure sectors globally, with a focus on Asia.



While at ADIA, Projesh was appointed as director on the boards of Renew Energy Global, Cube Highways, EdgePoint Infrastructure, and the Anglian Water Group.

Before ADIA, Projesh worked at Macquarie Capital in London and JP Morgan in New York.

## Vikram Kumar

### IFC

Vikram is director and regional industry head for infrastructure and natural resources in the Asia Pacific region, based in Singapore.

He leads IFC's strategy to connect more people and businesses in the region to sustainable infrastructure. This includes working with teams to develop and implement power, water, telecoms, transport, and other infrastructure projects with public and private sector partners that expand the reach of essential services.

An Indian national, Kumar most recently served as IFC's global transport manager, based in Washington, DC.



Under his leadership, IFC tripled its investments in the transport sector in the 2023 financial year.

Kumar has also held roles overseeing IFC's new business development in Asia Pacific and country operations in Thailand, delivering on many innovative first-time projects in the Maldives, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Lao PDR, and the Kingdom of Cambodia.



**Joseph Lufkin**

**Jexium**

Joe is chief executive of Jexium, a UK-based financial advisory firm specialising in project, asset, programme and corporate financing, securitization, and investment product development.

The business has worked on a full spectrum of asset classes from the most liquid derivatives and treasury products to illiquid private credit, equity and real assets investments in both OECD and non-OECD markets, with a focus on energy and green infrastructure.

Since late 2023, Jexium’s primary focus has been on portfolio structuring, financial structuring and management of Global Green Asset Finance (GGAF), an innovative Luxembourg- and Dublin-based private / structured credit platform which originates and securitises high-impact private credit and equity financings for leading cleantech and renewable energy businesses internationally.

Prior to setting up Jexium, Joe spent more than 25 years at the Asian Development Bank as a senior consultant and team leader. At ADB he worked on projects to structure and manage complex financing programmes, including project and private investment funds, donor partnerships and financing facilities, project development entities, technical assistance programmes, sovereign loans, bond issues, and management operations to support them.

**Gautam Saxena**

**ING Bank**

Gautam is head of corporate finance for the APAC region at ING Bank, a key growth priority across 11 APAC markets.

Prior to joining ING, Gautam was founder and managing partner of Pegasus 7 Ventures a venture capital fund he founded to invest in tech-enabled impact businesses across Asia and Africa, with a strong focus on sustainability.



He also previously acted as co-head of telecom, media, and technology investment banking for APAC at Bank of America Merrill Lynch.



**William Wu**

**Greenberg Traurig**

William operates out of Singapore but covers the APAC region in the private and public M&A space, with a specific focus on energy and infrastructure projects.

He has previously practiced law with other leading international firms and spent extensive time living and practicing in

Taipei, Hong Kong and Tokyo.

As one of the 3 founding partners of Greenberg Traurig's Singapore office and the firm's Asia energy infrastructure practice, William has most recently been involved in various offshore wind and renewable projects and has deep experience with auctions for various offshore wind farms in Taiwan.

He was the lead partner for the IJGlobal 2024 APAC Renewable Deal of the Year in the Offshore Wind category, [Greater Changhua 4 Offshore Wind Farm](#).

William is currently working on several renewable projects in development across the region, including BESS projects in Japan and Taiwan, and has been advising bidders on equity processes for solar and offshore wind projects.

William is a Taiwanese national and heads the firm's Taiwan practice.

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