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LEGAL LIABILITIES AND GREEN FINANCE: IS A GREEN MARK THE ANSWER?

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Green Finance

Allocating capital for sustainable purposes



Paris Agreement and finance flows

- Article 2(1)(c)
- *R (Friends of the Earth) v Secretary of State for International Trade & Ors* [2022] EWHC 268 (Admin)



LSE Green Mark

- What is it?
- How does an issuer qualify?
- Aim
- Benefits



The EU

- EU Taxonomy for Sustainable Activities
- Environmental Objectives
- Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation
- EU Sustainable Finance Action Plan
- Other elements?
- Purpose = transparency, informed decisions, stop greenwashing



Ireland

- Sustainable Finance Roadmap
- Efforts to date
- Proposals in the Roadmap



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Conclusion - does Ireland need a Green Mark?

- What would it achieve?
- EU regulatory scheme vs the Green Mark
- Impact? Hard edged obligations vs mere transparency?
- Role to play?





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