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Christof Rühl is an internationally renowned economist, specialising in macroeconomics and energy economics. His skillset reflects senior roles in some of the world's most excellent institutions across business, policy, and academia. Christof's most recent commercial expertise is in energy, specifically oil and gas, and asset allocation, focussed on macroeconomic and geopolitical trends. He currently is an advisor to companies and governments globally and an adjunct Senior Research Scholar at the Center on Global Energy Policy at Columbia University, New York (since 2019); he was Senior Fellow at the Harvard Kennedy School (2019-21). From 2014-19, Christof served as the Global Head of Research at the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority, creating and managing ADIA's first global research team and responsible for economic, energy and geopolitical analysis across asset classes. Earlier, he was Group Chief Economist and Vice President of BP plc (2005-14), credited with a significant contribution to the global debate on energy, climate change, and the various links between energy and economic development. Christof joined BP from the world of economic policy, having served at the World Bank (1998-2005), including as the Bank's Chief Economist in Russia and in Brazil; and at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in London (1996-98). He started his career in academia, first as a Research Associate in Germany; and from 1991-96, as an Assistant Professor in economics at the University of California, Los Angeles. Christof serves as a global advisor and board director to companies in energy, finance and private equity. He is well published and a sought-after commentator and public speaker.

