

BOMEX 2017 – Education Series

Panelist

Jamie Gray-Donald, VP Sustainability, QuadReal Property Group

From property development through to building management Jamie finds ways that sustainability practices can enhance our risk-adjusted returns. He helps our employees play effective roles in nurturing healthy, vibrant, diverse, green cities. In his prior role at Bentall Kennedy he led the company to rank #1 on the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB) in the diversified portfolio category. James brings a global perspective to the area of sustainability. He has worked in the Philippines at the International Rice Research Institute, conducted his master's research on solid waste management in Vietnam, and completed his doctoral research in the inner city of Lima, Peru. He was the Research Coordinator at the Centre for Sustainable Futures (University of Plymouth, U.K.) from 2005-2007 where he provided guidance and project management to 25+ professors and operations staff. In 2008 he started working in the corporate sector and started a sustainability program at Sears Canada where, from 2008 to 2012, the sales of eco-products grew by \$260MM (a compounded annual growth rate >30%) and reduced electricity consumption per square foot by 21.3%.