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Andrew Steel is a regional managing director of Fitch Ratings Ltd and is responsible for Fitch's corporate ratings activities in the Asia-Pacific region. His group rates issuers across all corporate sectors — industrials, telecom media and technology, energy and utilities, real estate, retail leisure and consumer products, shipping and transportation, on both international and national rating scales. Prior to taking up his new role as Head of the Corporate Ratings Group for Asia Pacific, Andrew was head of Fitch's Energy, Utilities and Regulation rating services in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa from 2004 to 2010.

From 2000 to 2004, Andrew was head of ABN Amro's structured industry finance, power and utilities group for Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. He has also previously worked for Edison Capital Europe as a private equity investment director, for PowerGen plc as a senior project finance manager, and in the banking sector as a mezzanine, leveraged buy-out and cross-border M&A lender.

Whilst in Europe Andrew actively assisted the UN's Economic Council for Europe advising on energy and risk issues, and was a member of the UNECE Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Sustainable Energy Developments. Andrew is a member of the Energy Institute, and regular speaker at conferences and forums on issues ranging from Caspian energy security and electricity regulation, to corporate governance, industry unbundling, and nuclear decommissioning. From 2006-2010 Andrew was also a member of the independent advisory board of the trans-disciplinary energy research institute BriTE, as well as a trustee of the Great Ormand Street Hospital based children's charity CLEFT.

Andrew garduated from Bristol University with a BSc Hons in Psychology.