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#### **NOTIFICATION**

# Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development Fifth session

Geneva, 21 to 23 March 2022

The fifth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development will be held from 21 to 23 March 2022 in room XVIII of the Palais des Nations. The meeting will open at 11 a.m. on Monday, 21 March. Both in-person attendance and remote participation using an online platform will be possible with interpretation in all United Nations languages. Meetings will take place between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. (CET) each day. Further information on the modalities for the session will be sent in due course.

## Background and purpose of the meeting

Based on the topic approved by member States following the fifteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in October 2021, the substantive agenda item for the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts is as follows:

Financing for development: Mobilizing sustainable development finance beyond COVID-19<sup>1</sup>

Information and documentation for this session will be made available at <a href="https://unctad.org/meeting/intergovernmental-group-experts-financing-development-fifth-session">https://unctad.org/meeting/intergovernmental-group-experts-financing-development-fifth-session</a>.

#### Written contributions

In order to facilitate deliberations and the informal exchange of experiences and best practices on the topics to be discussed, member States and observers are requested to submit written contributions to the UNCTAD secretariat by **Friday**, 11 March 2022.

## **Participation**

This session is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Other organizations, including specialized agencies, intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations in the general and special categories, as well as academia and the private sector, may participate as observers.

Online registration is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required in order to be included in the list of participants. Experts intending to participate remotely are requested to register before **Friday**, **11 March 2022** to allow the secretariat enough time to provide the necessary information on how to participate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See the revised terms of reference and proposed topics and guiding questions, as approved by the Trade and Development Board through a silence procedure, conducted between 8 and 13 October 2021, that was not broken.

Please register for this session on the following website: <a href="https://indico.un.org/event/1000439/">https://indico.un.org/event/1000439/</a>. Registration requires uploading an official letter of nomination to represent an organization at this meeting. For government representatives, a note verbale or an email from the permanent mission in Geneva will suffice.

Further inquiries regarding registration should be addressed to meetings-unctad@un.org.

## Logistics

For in-person attendance, before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to collect their badges from the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 Avenue de la Paix. The Security Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 9 a.m. to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in Building E of the Palais. Participants are requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card with them. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations. Visitors should therefore be dropped off at the indicated entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service gives special clearance.

### Further information and contact details

Substantive inquiries should be addressed to the Debt and Development Finance Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, tel.: 41 22 917 5977; email: igeffd@unctad.org.

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