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Programme of Side Events

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Monday, 25th April

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	<p>Not waving but drowning? - Managing Liquidity and solvency in a world of cascading crises</p> <p>Organizer: UNCTAD (Globalization and Development Strategies Division, Debt and Development Branch)</p> <p>How is international finance supporting emerging markets and developing economies in their responses to the COVID-19 crisis? This is the question framing the UNCTAD-led project Response and recovery: Mobilizing Financial resources for development in the time of COVID. Among other workstreams, the project provides two tools to help developing countries frame their responses in an unstable and uncertain international environment. The side event will present and discuss the latest outputs linked to these tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•The Global Financial Safety Net Tracker showing international liquidity provision during the COVID-19 crisis for all UN Member states and•The Sustainable Development Finance Assessment (SDFA) framework, that assesses countries' external and public sector financial needs against investment requirements arising from the most essential SDGs in the context of these crises. <p>The programme can be found here: https://unctad.org/meeting/side-event-2022-ecosoc-forum-financing-development</p> <p>More details can be found here: https://mobilizingdevfinance.org/ and</p> <p>Contact: Penelope Hawkins, penelope.hawkins@unctad.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Z4PffN3gRW-yV-2OzolAug Virtual Event</p>
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	<p>Tackling debt amidst multiple crises: challenges and proposals for debt architecture reform</p> <p>Organizers: Civil Society FfD Group (including Women's Working Group on FfD)</p> <p>As the world, and particularly the global south countries are experiencing a multiplicity of crisis, sovereign debt continues growing and hindering the chances of achieving the SDGs, fighting the climate emergency or even ensuring the most basic social rights. Debt relief initiatives have so far been ineffective at supporting countries to achieve sustainable debt levels, while development aid and climate finance commitments continue to fall short. Additionally, new resources are needed to face the skyrocketing food, energy and fertilizer costs.</p> <p>The response to this multidimensional crisis presents significant challenges and the existing debt architecture is not fit for purpose. The session will explore policy options and structural reforms that would help tackling together unsustainable debts and the multiple crises, including climate, food and energy crises.</p> <p>Contact: Pooja, pooja@sidint.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwrcO2grDltHtWPtzHgTXbNgZxoyi4tzQas</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
<p>12:30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.</p>	<p>Challenges in times of uncertainty for African and developing nations, for the implementation of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA) and its Follow Up.</p> <p>Organizer: Association Africa 21</p> <p>In the framework of the decade of action to achieve the SDGs, this webinar will address 4 key issues: a) the state of play of implementation of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA) and Agenda 2030 in Africa, focusing on the impacts of 2008 and 2020 systemic ongoing crisis; b) the need of a 4th Financing for Development International Conference, assessing existing institutional arrangements and the potential scope of a 4th FfD Conference; c) the presentation of options and proposals for advancing SDGs in Africa and d) momentum of innovation and technological advances.</p> <p>More details can be found here: www.africa21.org</p> <p>Contact: Julien Chambolle, julien.chambolle@africa21.org</p>

	<p>Registration details: https://www.africa21.org/side-event-africa-21-for-the-next-2022-ecosoc-forum-on-financing-for-development/ Demands for inscription should be done on info@africa21.org with 1st Name + Family Name.</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
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Tuesday, 26th April

<p>8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>High-Level Symposium on Tax and Sustainable Development Goals & Launch of Tax for SDGs Initiative</p> <p>Organizers: Government of Norway, Government of Finland and UNDP</p> <p>The High-Level Symposium on Tax and SDGs will bring together leaders in taxation, public finance, development, government, and academia to discuss how taxation can be an opportunity for SDG achievement at the country level. The Tax for SDGs Initiative will also be launched at the symposium.</p> <p>More details can be found here: http://taxforsdgs.org/</p> <p>Contact: Sascha Randal, sascha.randal@mfa.no Ahtesham Khan, ahtesham.khan@undp.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://www.taxforsdgs.org/</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>High Level Leaders Dialogue: Green and Climate Resilience Bonds – Scaling up Access to Affordable Finance in Developing Countries , notably in LDCs</p> <p>Organizers: Permanent Mission of Malawi to the UN, UNCDF, UNDP, Green Climate Fund</p> <p>Developing countries, notably least developed countries (LDCs) have the least access to affordable finance to address the devastating impacts of climate change. Improving developing countries’ capacity to leverage the potential of green and climate-resilient bonds could be a game-changer for financing nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and national adaptation plans (NAPs). This High-Level Dialogue will convene global leaders to galvanize support and highlight concrete actions to support governments better leverage debt markets to meet their climate ambitions.</p> <p>Contact: Fiona Bayat-Renoux, fiona.bayat-renoux@uncdf.org</p>

	<p>Registration details: https://undp.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zMIAX5rRQq1H4rByTjT6A</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Innovative financing in support of the SDGs and trade as engine for inclusive sustainable growth: The role of development banks</p> <p>Organizers: G-NEXID in partnership with UNCTAD</p> <p>The financial effects from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the global economic consequences of the geopolitical conflict could widen the already huge financing gap and needs to achieve SDGs, in particular through sustainable trade and productive capacities in developing countries. As such, mobilizing a wide spectrum of resources, including for trade finance and infrastructure finance, is more important than ever. Against this background, this side event will address the role of development banks in mobilizing innovative finance, including for trade and development.</p> <p>More details can be found here: https://gnexid.com/</p> <p>Contact: Taisuke Ito, taisuke.into@unctad.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://unctad.org/meeting/innovative-financing-support-sdgs-and-trade-engine-inclusive-sustainable-growth-role</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>'Effective' Partnering: A Compass for Financing in a New Era</p> <p>Organizer: Co-Chairs of the Global Partnership : Democratic Republic of Congo, Switzerland, Bangladesh, Reality of Aid Africa</p> <p>In this new era of challenges, effective partnering based on trust is a compass and catalyst for using local, national and global resources in the best possible way for faster and more sustainable impact as we look to achieve the SDGs. Effective development co-operation that is country owned, focused on results, involves all type of partners, and is transparent and accountable, rebuilds trust that leads to impactful partnerships and better results in countries.</p> <p>As the first event in the 'road the 2022 Effective Development Co-operation Summit' (Geneva), this side event will discuss a) why a principled approach to building back better together from pandemics and climate change is essential and needs to be informed through evidence gathered from country-led Action Dialogues and b) how resources can be better utilized through effective</p>

	<p>partnering with development partners, multilateral development banks and the private sector to meet today's challenges.</p> <p>Contact: Yumna Rathore, yumna.rathore@undp.org and info@effectivecooperation.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://undp.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_o-ODHFkNQU2DHB80i8iZEw</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Filling the Private Finance Regulatory Gap: Moving Beyond the De-risking State</p> <p>Organizers: Civil Society FfD Group (including Women's Working Group on FfD)</p> <p>The global development agenda has become increasingly focused on attracting private investments to fill a so-called financing gap to deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). As part of this trend, states are encouraged to “ease the business climate”, remove “regulatory barriers” and de-risk investments in order to incentivise private actors. This approach, however, undermines the important and potentially transformative regulatory role of the state. This event will draw attention to the public policy options available for states to regulate the financial sector and asset management industry, as well as discuss some of the current pitfalls of a private-first agenda, including failures of voluntary ESG initiatives, greenwashing, SDG-washing and risks related to public private partnerships (PPPs).</p> <p>Contact: Pooja, pooja@sidint.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEudumvqTsiE9QbAj4S8GV6FGzKreTNf0op</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Enhancing MSMEs’ Resilience through Digital Finance and Transformation</p> <p>Organizers: Indonesia, Peru, Tanzania (co-chairs of GoF Financial Inclusion) and Office of the UN Secretary-General’s Special Advocate for Inclusive Finance for Development</p> <p>This event will focus on sharing best practice and knowledge related to the role of digital finance and transformation in enhancing the role of Micro, Small, Medium, Enterprises as one of the strongest drivers of economic development</p>

	<p>Contact: Dicky Pamungkas, dsp@indonesiamission-ny.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://bit.ly/3LY2o5J</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Closing the information gap: TOSSD as a data source for the SDG Global Indicator Framework</p> <p>Organizer: Secretariat of the International TOSSD Task Force</p> <p>The event will present the main findings of the 2021 TOSSD data collection on 2020 activities on the measurement of development support. It will also showcase the latest developments related to the TOSSD framework, including its recent recognition as an official data source for the SDG indicator framework. Finally, it will call on more countries and organizations to join the TOSSD initiative to further increase transparency through SDG indicator 17.3.1 on the measurement of development support.</p> <p>More details can be found here: https://tossd.org/</p> <p>Contact: Camilo Gamba, camilo.gambagamba@oecd.org</p> <p>Registration details: Register in advance for this meeting: https://meetoe.cd1.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvfuqgpz0jH9UPOGlXNuNduSxDEK3B9hzJ</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>FINANCING FOR UNIVERSAL AND CRISIS-RESPONSIVE SOCIAL PROTECTION AND DECENT JOBS; Seventeen proposals of the 2021 Inter-Agency Working Group on "Cluster 2" policies</p> <p>Organizer: Salesian Missions</p> <p>In 2021, the Secretary-General convened several inter-agency working groups to follow up on his initiative of the previous year with the Prime Ministers of Canada and Jamaica. The working group on "cluster 2" policies (jobs, social protection, gender, children and youth, health, education, and human rights) produced a report that has recently been made available (link). The report concluded with 17 proposals that merit consideration. This side event seeks to stimulate discussion of these proposals.</p> <p>More details can be found here: www.ngosonffd.org</p>

	<p>Contact: Thomas Pallithanam, thomaspallithanam@gmail.com</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsfuqqrjwiHtLVutntuRo0xgsa9K_vEKxP</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
<p>9:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Launch Event: 2021 UN Model Tax Convention. Theme: Adapting to changing times – From remote to automated digital services and beyond</p> <p>Organizer: UNDESA/FSDO</p> <p>UN DESA is hosting the global public launch of the 2021 edition of the <u>United Nations Model Double Taxation Convention Between Developed and Developing Countries</u>, recently released by the UN Tax Committee. The launch will include ‘Expert Tax Voices’ from around the world, spotlighting new aspects of the UN Model Taxation Convention, for instance, those dealing with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the treatment of automated digital services (Article 12B) - indirect offshore transfers; and - tax aspects related to collective investment vehicles (CIVs) and pension funds. <p>In the videos, experts will introduce the new aspects, share insights into the drafting process and briefly explain what the changes entail. A forward-looking round-table discussion on the UN Model Taxation Convention will then address issues critical for developing countries, such as: the role of the UN Model and bilateral tax treaties in the light of increasing efforts to negotiate multilateral agreements; how specific features of the UN Model support domestic resource mobilization of source states; and how changes in working methods that were accelerated by the COVID-19 pandemic put pressure on certain provisions of tax treaties.</p> <p>Contact: taxcommittee@un.org</p> <p>Registration details: SurveyMonkey Powered Online Survey</p> <p>Virtual event</p>
<p>12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Understanding the difference between development finance and climate finance, the impact on development for SIDS and how the MVI can assisting in delivering both</p> <p>Organizers: Alliance of Small Island States</p>

	<p>The relationship between development finance and climate finance continues to be heavily discussed between donor and recipient countries. Small Island Developing States in recent years have been vocal in stressing the need to better understand and differentiate development finance from climate finance. Given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the intensity of the climate crisis, understanding this relationship and the differences has now become urgent.</p> <p>Contact: Tumasie Blair, Tumasie.blair@aosis.org</p> <p>Registration details:</p> <p>Virtual event</p>
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Wednesday, 27th April

<p>8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>De-Risking Investments for People, Planet, and Prosperity</p> <p>Organizers: UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) & Co-Chairs of the Group of Friends for DRR (Australia, Indonesia, Norway and Peru)</p> <p>Today’s disasters have macroeconomic implications that cannot be confined to a single sector or country. As countries and stakeholders take stock of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction ahead of the General Assembly’s High-Level Meeting on the Midterm Review of the Framework in May 2023, development financing that reduces rather than creates risk, and climate finance that avoids maladaptation are emerging as key priorities. This side event brings experts from disaster risk reduction together with experts from the financial sector and government to explore new and innovative approaches to support the public and private sector actors to de-risk investments from a multi-hazard perspective. The panelist will discuss the importance of risk-informed policies and instruments to achieve the goals of the Sendai Framework, the Paris Agreement, and the 2030 Agenda. They will share share tools and principles on which they are working to support governments in financing risk reduction and resilience initiatives and to de-risk public and private investments from a multi-hazard perspective.</p> <p>Contact: Huw Beynon, beynon@un.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://undrr.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vf-yurjkoGN3lWT7wcmEg9ADeYdj5zAip</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
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Transformative Urban Finance for the SDGs

Organizers: UNCDF, UN Habitat

Developing countries are going through urban transition, green transition and productive transition which calls for transformation in the way international development finance is deployed. The twin disruptions of climate crisis and urbanization require us to refocus attention on subnational finance as stressed in paragraph 34 of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda in line with the New Urban Agenda. However, the unmet financing needs of cities to address the challenges of inequality and environmental sustainability and meet the SDGs is in its trillions. Meeting this financing gap requires leveraging a broad range of financial resources towards sustainable outcomes including the response to COVID-19 recovery. UNCDF as the UN's hub for subnational finance and UN-Habitat as the UN agency for cities, have joined forces through the SDG Cities Global Initiative to help cities reach their unmet financing needs for sustainable development by deploying a number of financing instruments including loans, guarantees, grants, technical assistance, municipal bonds, etc. This event will bring together local governments, international financing institutions and other relevant stakeholders to demonstrate various financing vehicles and results from this UNCDF/UN-Habitat fused offering. Cities will be invited to participate and have access to advice, resources and technical assistance to strengthen local revenue, improve public financial management, improve creditworthiness and access debt finance and blended capital for SDG impact projects.

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Registration details:

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Hybrid Event

Re-imagining sustainable inclusive debt relief

Organizers: Economic Research Forum, International Development Research Centre, Red Sur, Permanent Mission of Canada to the UN

The pandemic has taken a heavy toll on the global economy. Sources of economic growth and productivity gains have been constrained, poverty and inequality risen, fiscal space reduced and public debt levels risen at an unprecedented speed. For low-income countries, high debt levels represent a source of macroeconomic instability, limit their fiscal options and in the past have led to severe financial crises, with high economic and social costs. To accelerate the recovery from COVID-19, make it more sustainable, and avoid a repetition of a wave of crises, it is urgent to reconsider low-income economies'

	<p>debt restructuring strategies, the conditionalities associated with International Financial Institutions’ loans, and emerging fiscal frameworks. This event will describe debt and fiscal policy priorities for developing countries, with special emphasis on low-income countries, based on new projects of empirical research in 12 countries. Strategies for recovery, including debt management must embrace a broad-based approach, including economic, environmental and social priorities.</p> <p>More details can be found here: www.idrc.ca</p> <p>Contacts: Arjan de Haan, adehaan@idrc.ca</p> <p>Registration details: Webinar (microsoft.com)</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Stepping up green finance for an equitable energy transition - Synergies between the private sector and the Development Financial Institutions</p> <p>Organizer: Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN, Permanent Mission of Kenya to the UN, United Nations Global Compact</p> <p>Italy and Kenya, as Global Theme Champions of the High-level Dialogue on Energy for “financing and investment” and “energy access” respectively, together with the United Nations Global Compact, are proposing a side-event during the ECOSOC Financing for Development Forum 2022 to highlight common solutions for the implementation of the Global Roadmap for Accelerated SDG7 Action in Support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change.</p> <p>The event will focus on how the private sector and DFIs can reinforce synergies to complement public finance and increase financial-resource mobilization for energy investments in developed and developing markets. The participants will share best practices that can contribute to the alignment of finance flows with global energy goals associated with the Paris Agreement, SDG 7 and net-zero.</p> <p>Contacts: Matthias Claivaz, matthias.claivaz@esteri.it</p> <p>Registration details: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgzg2tsQpzkDXmqrl2d36VGamrprRaysHZNvQeBTGR8fPQPg/viewform</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Unlocking Sustainable Finance for Middle-Income Countries in the Context of the Covid-19 Pandemic Recovery</p>

	<p>Organizers: Like-Minded Group in Support of Middle-Income Countries, chaired by Colombia and composed by Armenia, Belarus, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, Panama, Peru and The Philippines.</p> <p>This two hours multi-stakeholder event will consider key recommendations provided, both by the 2022 Financing for Sustainable Development Report and the proposals contained in the Secretary General’s Our Common Agenda Report, to address the challenges faced by Middle-income countries to support a stronger recovery from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly, by strengthening Multilateral Development Banks, assessing the effectiveness of measures put in place to ensure debt sustainability, and answering the call of the Secretary- General in Our Common Agenda report to urgently use measures of progress that goes beyond GDP and recognize developing countries’ vulnerabilities and structural gaps to inform access to international cooperation and finance for development.</p> <p>Contact: Jorge Murillo, jmurillo@colombiaun.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3SEGopWbROerPDc9vT48Qw</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>The road towards an intergovernmental UN Tax Body and Convention</p> <p>Organizers: Civil Society FfD Group (including Women's Working Group on FfD)</p> <p>Global decision-making on tax belongs in a forum with universal membership where all countries can participate on an equal footing. But no such forum currently exists. This side-event will look at the need for, and road towards, the establishment of a truly inclusive intergovernmental body on tax under the auspices of the United Nations. Furthermore, the event will include a discussion of a newly developed civil society Proposal for a UN Convention on Tax.</p> <p>Contact: Pooja, pooja@sidint.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqf-uhqTlvHtz5eyEgA8APXhU9jipKHFfa</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Exploring Digital Finance’s Real Promises and Challenges for Development</p>

	<p>Organizers: Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund, NGO Committee on Financing for Development, Sisters of Charity Federation, Institute of Blessed Virgin Mary, Additional organizations to be confirmed</p> <p>The NGO Committee for Financing for Development will present an unbiased discussion on digital finance's potential to advance greater financial inclusion against the disruption it poses to existing financial service providers by engaging experts from the financial sector, development profession, government, and NGO/Civil society who, who can speak from their expertise and experiences on the ground as to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●When digital finance has fulfilled its promise and when it has fallen short of those claims, ●What pre-existing conditions are necessary to ensure its success? ●What public policies need to be adopted to attract fintech providers, adapt existing financial and technical infrastructure and educate the public? ●Can digital finance address the persistent 9% gender gap in formal inclusion in developing economies? ●What new regulatory policies are needed to protect fintech clients? ●How to introduce innovative financial practices without compromising existing support for marginalized populations or undermining the stability of current financial institutions? ●How to ensure timely and appropriate digital and financial inclusion literacy programs are developed and implemented? <p>Contact: Anita Thomas, athomas@womenfirstfund.org</p> <p>Registration details: Please register in advance for this meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0qc-6orjsuGdFhyWHfljp7ZNxv526Onoc7</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Climate sensitive approaches to support Financing Sustainable Development</p> <p>Organizer: The Egyptian Ministry of Planning and Economic Development</p> <p>Egypt shall also host UNFCCC CoP27 in November 2022 in Sharm El Shiekh, aiming at further boosting the global climate agenda, promoting climate resilience and achieving the objectives of the UNFCCC and its Paris agreement in an inclusive and transparent manner. The Event aims at emphasizing the nexus between Financing sustainable development and climate finance, especially for climate adaptation, through integrating these very important aspects in the process of policy shaping and forming the relevant national plans and policies.</p>

	<p>Contact: Sherif Dawoud, sherif.dawoud@mped.gov.eg</p> <p>Registration details: https://mped-eg.webex.com/mped-eg/j.php?MTID=m0ac91fbf15052e9ffa8d3bc580424cc8</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
<p>12:30 p.m. -2:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Enhancing MDBs as catalyzers of private finance</p> <p>Organizers: FSDO-DESA</p> <p>Dialogue between Global Investors for Sustainable Development (GISD) Alliance members, Multilateral Development Banks leadership and senior government representatives on how to enhance the role of MDBs as catalyzers of private finance in sustainable development.</p> <p>More information can be found here: https://www.gisdalliance.org/ Contact: Krishnan Sharma, sharmak@un.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://www.cognitoforms.com/UnitedNations4/April2022SDGInvestmentFair</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Finance for Agri-food Systems Transformation in the context of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda</p> <p>Organizer: FAO</p> <p>The side event will reflect about finance for agri-food systems through linking the Food Finance architecture and the Addis agenda, through the following topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exploring the link between finance and food systems resilience: Public funds support to recover farmers & MSMES liquidity and social protection have been a key response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Lessons learned from the pandemic can guide public finance decisions to make food systems more resilient to shocks in the future. 2. The role of sustainable investments and de-risking strategies will be key for banks to take a more active role in achieving sustainable outcomes for land and water, and social outcomes like gender equality and better health. 3. Making the Food Finance Architecture a reality: different levels of action, from national to global, will be critical. Strong institutions and inclusive governance are necessary to implement financial decisions.

	<p>4. Multisector partnerships for transformation: mobilizing private sector partners and linking to private sector investments can ensure more coherence in actions.</p> <p>Contact: Adriano Campolina de Oliveira Soares, Adriano.Campolina@fao.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://fao.zoom.us/j/93234966237 (Passcode: 14212818)</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Addressing ODA diversion in times of global health emergencies and of geopolitical crises – a renewed call to go beyond 0.7%</p> <p>Organizers: Civil Society FfD Group (including Women's Working Group on FfD)</p> <p>The virtual event will convene CSO representatives, Governments and other stakeholders to discuss the compounding development challenges and their impact on an increasingly constrained resource: ODA. Panelists will be asked to address how to resolve the paradox where ODA levels remain constant and far off from the 0.7% target, while regularly being diverted towards new terrains that depart from its intended purpose as though it is an infinite resource. The discussion will look at current developments where it is clear that ODA is being diverted in a way that necessitates increasing the long standing 0.7% target to a figure commensurate with the resource requirements in front of us.</p> <p>Contact: Pooja, pooja@sidint.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwtceGpqTsjHdB4XFqziAvuVIWrGbigKlZ</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
<p>5:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Addressing debt challenges in the small island developing States: Views from the Pacific</p> <p>Organizers: ESCAP, ECLAC, and Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFS)</p> <p>This side event presents the outcome of the Pacific Regional Debt Conference co-convened by Fiji and Tuvalu, co-hosted by ESCAP and the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, and held (virtually) between 5 and 8 April 2022. Under the title "Addressing debt sustainability in the Pacific in the aftermath of COVID-19, the conference provided an opportunity for debtors and creditors to discuss how to address debt challenges in the Pacific SIDS. This side event of the ECOSOC FFD Forum brings on board high-level officials from small island</p>

	<p>developing States from the Pacific and the Caribbean to discuss common debt challenges and the suitability of various potential solutions to such challenges, including those discussed at the Pacific regional debt conference.</p> <p>Contact: Alberto Isgut, isgut@un.org</p> <p>Registration details:</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
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Thursday, 28th April

<p>8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Understanding the impact of SDG investments by refining sustainability reporting</p> <p>Organizers: UN/DESA - GISD Alliance</p> <p>The theme of this side event is the measurement of private sector contribution to the SDGs, highlighting the SDG-relevant sector-specific metrics developed by the GISD Alliance.</p> <p>Contact: Mathieu Verougstraete, verougstraete@un.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://www.cognitoforms.com/UnitedNations4/April2022SDGInvestmentFair</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Enhancing collective action to promote tax reforms for financing the Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p>Organizers: ATI Steering Committee and International Tax Compact (ITC)</p> <p>The Addis Tax Initiative (ATI) was initiated in 2015 in the course of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, to support the implementation of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA). Since then, 65 partner countries, development partners and supporting organisations have joined the initiative. ATI members believe that strengthening domestic revenue mobilisation (DRM) and improving capacities to collect taxes and other revenues in a transparent, accountable, and equitable manner, is central to advance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).</p>

	<p>The objective of the side event is to raise awareness about the importance of accountability stakeholders in DRM processes which can lead to a more ambitious agenda in tax reforms. The event will bring together high-level representatives from ATI member countries and organisations to discuss the topic and present examples of successful cooperation between governmental and non-state actors.</p> <p>More details can be found here: https://www.addistaxinitiative.net/</p> <p>Contacts: Tais Chartouni Rodrigues, tais.chartouni@taxcompact.net and Peter Wiezel, peter.wiezel@taxcompact.net</p> <p>Registration details: https://www.addistaxinitiative.net/form/ati-side-event-at-the-2022-</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Official Launch Event: Integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFF) Facility</p> <p>Organizers: UNDESA, UNDP, OECD</p> <p>To further institutionalize the ongoing work and partnerships on Integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFFs), UNDESA, UNDP and OECD will launch a global INFF Facility at the FfD Forum in April, along with supporting partners such as the EU, Sweden and Italy. The Facility will respond to growing demand for technical support from the country level, to further enhance knowledge products and knowledge sharing, and to mobilise new resources and new partnerships to help grow an INFF community.</p> <p>Contact: Yanis Kuehn Von Burgsdorff, yanist.burgsdorff@un.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://bit.ly/FinancingtheFuture</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Blended Finance in LDCs</p> <p>Organizer: UNCDF</p> <p>The purpose of the event is to highlight the need for blended finance and the role that donors can play through UNCDF. Attendees will listen directly to the needs of potential investee companies, development finance institutions, and certain donor and LDC governments.</p>

	<p>Contact: Abhisheik Dhawan, abhisheik.dhawan@uncdf.org</p> <p>Registration details:</p> <p>Hybrid event</p>
	<p>4th FfD Conference: Towards a new global economic consensus that works for people and planet</p> <p>Organizers: Civil Society FfD Group (including Women's Working Group on FfD)</p> <p>A new FfD summit has never been more urgent again given the financing needs in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, and future summits including the UN Social Summit in 2025 that will only succeed if urgent reforms of the global financial system are advanced. It is time for UN member states to convene the 4th FfD conference/Monterrey + 20 to agree a new global consensus on an economic system that works for people and the planet. The event will bring together governments, civil society and UN agencies to discuss what such a new FfD summit can achieve and what the roadmap should look like.</p> <p>Contact: Pooja, pooja@sidint.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tcO2rqD8vHdXfCvQUP17GJTIWtHcvRs3X</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>Innovative financing mechanisms at the service of health</p> <p>Organizers : Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development</p> <p>The growth in financing needs to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals contrasts sharply with the decline in financing available for development, particularly in the area of health. In order to capitalize on the momentum in favor of innovative financing born during the pandemic, the Leading Group on Innovative Financing invites high-level delegates to share the experiences and ambitions of their country and their organization in this field and to open the way to new collaborative and innovative financing methods for health.</p> <p>Contact : Elisa Taiwo, elisa.taiwo@diplomatie.gouv.fr</p> <p>Registration details: Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85884935454?pwd=NzFzMUtyRTIDRGpvcFBsYXN4WUVqdz09 Meeting ID: 858 8493 5454 Passcode: 444864</p>

	Virtual Event
	<p>Do Blue Bonds Work? Examining Tools for Circular, Sustainable Economies</p> <p>Organizer: Man Up Campaign US, Inc. NGO Committee on Financing for Development</p> <p>In the interest of identifying and amplifying best practices aligned with the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, this side event will explore the efficacy of blue bonds, comparable climate finance tools, and accountability mechanisms. A panel of expert speakers will share insights and recommendations for optimizing impact as we examine how governments might leverage blue bonds to meet increasing climate finance needs. The discussion will be fully aligned with the collective goals laid out in the current draft of the 2022 Financing for Sustainable Development Report, especially: 1) Exploring innovative platform approaches to coordinate, scale up, and channel public and private finance and technical assistance for sustainable, quality and resilient infrastructure development; and 2) Addressing investment barriers to developing bankable project pipelines and will take steps to deploy blended finance at scale, as appropriate, to leverage all infrastructure financing sources.</p> <p>More details can be found here: http://www.ngosonffd.org</p> <p>Contact: Fred Sullivan, fred@manupcampaign.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qUlsrDzGZBfz242owCC8YI1vKL-k8SPB/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=109767214205105679538&rtpof=true&sd=true</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
	<p>MISSING RECEIPTS: How did DFIs' COVID-19 response affect human and environmental rights during the pandemic?</p> <p>Organizer: International Accountability Project, other partners TBD</p> <p>Missing Receipts is a collaborative research project that analyzes DFIs' role in the pandemic. Based on a series of global and national level case studies, the report was developed by members and partners of the Coalition for Human Rights in Development and of the Early Warning System.</p> <p>Contact: Jocelyn Medallo, jocelyn@accountabilityproject.org</p>

	<p>Registration details:</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>
<p>12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Keeping promises: Delivering the SDGs through shared accountability</p> <p>Organizers: Global Affairs Canada, the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and the International Budget Partnership</p> <p>The main objective of the event is to raise international attention and increase engagement at global and national level to address the budget credibility challenges that affect SDG progress and outcomes.</p> <p><i>Speakers will present new research, and share practical insights on how to identify and address budget credibility challenges from the perspective of governments, CSOs, and technical and development partners.</i></p> <p>Key questions to address include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •How do budget credibility challenges impact on the delivery of policies and services, and undermine progress towards the SDGs? •What are some practical tools and reforms that can help address budget credibility challenges? •How can measures to improve the transparency and credibility of budgeting strengthen the impact of resources on achieving national SDG goals? •How can the international community promote better budgeting and spending practices? •What are the opportunities to strengthen data and reporting to be understand and address budget credibility challenges? •How can SDG indicator 16.6.1 on budget credibility be leveraged to demonstrate country progress? <p>Contact: Nikhil Mandalia, nmandalia@unicef.org</p> <p>Registration details: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0we2CJh-RzqzsMbO7sBoDQ</p> <p>Virtual Event</p>