

REGIONAL CONSULTATION

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Morning , Monday 23 March 2015

10:00 – 10:30	<p>OPENING SPEECHES</p> <p>Mr. Michael Gerber (Chair) Ambassador, Special Envoy for Global Sustainable Development, Switzerland</p> <p>Mr. Manuel Sager State Secretary and Director-General, Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation</p> <p>Mr. Wu Hongbo United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs Secretary-General for the Third International Conference on Financing for Development</p> <p>Mr. Christian Friis Bach Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe</p>
10:30 – 11:30	<p><u>Panel 1:</u> FINANCING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE ECE REGION: TRENDS AND NEEDS</p> <p>The aim of this panel is to provide an overall background to the discussion by presenting financing needs in the ECE region, mapping current resource flows and identifying emerging trends in financing sustainable development in different groups of countries, paying attention to their particular needs. The panel is also expected to discuss the impact of domestic and international environments on potential sources of financing.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Manuel Sager, State Secretary and Director-General, Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation</p>

	<p>Mr. Alexander Trepelkov Director, Financing for Development Office, UN DESA</p> <p>Mr. Jon Lomoy Director, OECD Development Co-operation Directorate</p> <p>Ms. Serena Guarnaschelli Partner, Dalberg Global Development Advisors</p>
11:30 – 13:00	<p><u>Panel 2: UNLOCKING PRIVATE RESOURCES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT</u></p> <p>The main emphasis of the discussions on this panel will be on the sustainable mobilization of private resources for investment, including through the creation of suitable mechanisms for risk-sharing between the public and the private sectors. Some of the questions that could be explored by this panel include financing solutions by banks, insurance companies, other financial intermediaries and the corporate sector in promoting sustainable development; blended finance instruments and the ways in which development finance institutions can play a catalytic role in mobilizing private financing; sustainable finance initiatives; the different mechanisms of collaboration between the public and private sector to mobilize financing, including through the use of public-private partnerships for infrastructure development and the provision of public services and new investment vehicles with a sustainability focus, such as impact investment.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Commission for Europe</p> <p>Mr. Steven Stone Chief, Economics and Trade Branch, United Nations Environment Programme</p> <p>Ms. Terri Toyota Director, ReDesigning Development Finance Initiative and Foundations Community, World Economic Forum</p> <p>Ms. Piroska Nagy Director, Country Strategy and Policy, Office of the Chief Economist, EBRD</p> <p>Ms. Sabine Döbeli CEO, Swiss Sustainable Finance</p> <p>Mr. Mike Redican Managing Director, Debt Capital Markets, Deutsche Bank and member of the UNECE PPP Business Advisory Board</p>

Afternoon, Monday 23 March 2015

15:00 – 15:10	<p><u>SPECIAL ADDRESS</u></p> <p>Ms. Amina J. Mohammed Secretary-General’s Special Adviser on Post-2015 Development Planning</p>
15:10 – 16:45	<p><u>Panel 3: CREATING CONDUCIVE INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORKS FOR RESOURCE MOBILIZATION</u></p> <p>This panel will highlight international cooperation towards legal, regulatory and institutional frameworks that improve the quantity and quality of resources for development. Some of the topics that may be covered in this panel include: taxation of multinational companies; the alignment of trade agreements with sustainable development; investment regimes; economic integration initiatives and their impact on cross-border financial flows for sustainable development and innovative mechanisms to mobilize additional resources.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Michael Gerber, Ambassador, Special Envoy for Global Sustainable Development, Switzerland</p> <p>Mr. James Zhan Director, Investment and Enterprise Division, UNCTAD</p> <p>Mr. Hans-Peter Werner Counsellor, Development Division, World Trade Organization</p> <p>Mr. Alex Cobham Director of Research, Tax Justice Network</p> <p>Mr. Henry de Cazotte Deputy Head of Development Policy, Special Advisor to the Director for Development and Global Public Goods, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development of France Secretariat of the Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development</p> <p>Ms. Jean Saldanha Chair of Financing for Development Taskforce, Concord</p>

16:45 – 17:45	<p><u>Panel 4: A RENEWED GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP</u></p> <p>This panel will provide a broader context for the discussion on financing for sustainable development by addressing more systemic issues, including those related to monitoring and accountability, policy coherence and governance. The new development cooperation landscape, including emerging actors in development financing, South-South and regional cooperation could also be considered. The panel will discuss, in particular, how the development needs of the emerging countries in the region can be addressed in an effective way through multiple sources of financing.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe</p> <p>Mr. Apolonio Ruiz Ligero Vice-Governor, Council of Europe Development Bank</p> <p>Mr. Ben Slay Senior Advisor, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub for Europe and the CIS</p> <p>Ms. Annalisa Prizzon Research Fellow, Centre for Aid and Public Expenditure, Overseas Development Institute, United Kingdom</p>
17:45 – 18:00	<p><u>CLOSING OF THE MEETING</u></p> <p>Mr. Wu Hongbo United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs Secretary-General for the Third International Conference on Financing for Development</p> <p>Mr. Christian Friis Bach Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe</p> <p>Mr. Michael Gerber (Chair) Ambassador, Special Envoy for Global Sustainable Development, Switzerland</p>
