

Principles for Green Financing for Sustainable Real Estate, Infrastructure and Urban Transformation Projects

Hybrid webinar ¹⁾

Date : Tuesday, 19 March 2024, (from 14:00 to 17:30 CET/Geneva time)

In person venue: H-building, Palais des Nations, Geneva



Background

The “**Principles for Green Financing for Sustainable Real Estate, Infrastructure and Urban Transformation Projects**” (ECE/HBP/2023/3) ²⁾, endorsed during the UNECE Committee Sessions on Urban Development Housing and Land Management (CUDHLM) (Geneva, 4-6 October 2023), are intended to provide guidance to national, regional and local governments, and to other relevant stakeholders. These Principles aim to guide countries’ real estate, infrastructure, and urban transformation projects towards environmental sustainability and financial resilience

The Principles, specifically designed to create the preconditions for project bankability, draw on and are aligned with countries’ international commitments, including those developed under the auspices of the United Nations, thereby supporting countries’ and stakeholders’ efforts in achieving them.

This webinar, organized jointly by CUDHLM and Working Party on Land Administration (WPLA), invites you to explore how the Principles can best pave the way for green financing in real estate and infrastructure, driving economically viable and environmentally sustainable urban projects. Be part of this transformative discussion shaping the future of our cities!

1) Teams connections to be shared in due course.

2) The Principles are available at: [ECE HBP 2023 3E.pdf \(unece.org\)](https://unece.org/ece/hbp/2023/3E.pdf)

Draft Programme

14:00 - 14:30 | Welcoming Remarks

Paola Deda, Director, Forests, Land and Housing Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Stephanie Furer, Chair, UNECE Committee on Urban Development Housing and Land Management (CUDHLM)

14:30 - 15:30 | **Session 1: Goals and characteristics of the principles**

Moderator:

Giampiero Bambagioni, Vice Chair, UNECE CUDHLM

Speakers:

- Presentation of the Principles by Moderator
- Ali Erbilgic, Senior policy expert at the EBA - European Banking Authority (EBA)
- Valeria Cipollone, Directorate of Regulation and Supervision of the Financial System, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Italy
- Fabio Massimo Natalucci, International Monetary Fund (IMF)

15:30 - 16:30 | **Session 2: Sustainable Ecosystem Approach**

Moderator:

Luca Bertalot, Secretary General, European Mortgage Federation (EMF) – European Covered Bond Council (ECBC)

Speakers:

- Christian Bech-Ravn, Jyske Bank, Green Mortgages
- Alexander Aronsohn, Technical Director, International Valuation Standards Council (IVSC)
- Raul Garcia-Rodriguez, Climate Change and Sustainability Services Partner Ernst & Young
- Annett Wunsche, Verband deutscher Pfandbriefbanken (VDP)

16:30- 17:00 | **Q&A**

17:00- 17:30 | **Conclusions, by moderators**