



High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development

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Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations Headquarters, New York

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INFORMATION NOTE

The 2023 High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be convened by the President of the General Assembly. It will take place during the High-level Week of the 78th session of the United Nations General Assembly, on 20 September 2023, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, United Nations headquarters, New York, pursuant to General Assembly resolution [69/313](#).

The High-level Dialogue will be chaired by the President of the General Assembly and will take place under the overarching theme: ***Financing the SDGs for a world where no one is left behind.***

The High-level Dialogue will be a one-day meeting held back-to-back with the 2023 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Summit, and will feature the participation of leaders from government, representatives of the private sector and civil society, international financial institutions, including multilateral development banks, academia, and other relevant actors.

Participants are encouraged to use the High-level Dialogue as an opportunity to announce new commitments or initiatives to finance the SDGs. Announcements may be registered as [commitments](#) through the [SDG Summit Acceleration and Accountability Platform](#). Delegations are also encouraged to use the High-level Dialogue as a platform to share best practices and creative ideas on financing solutions.

The Dialogue will be informed by intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations of the Economic and Social Council Forum on Financing for Development Follow-up and will result in an official summary reflecting the initiatives and recommendations emerging from the discussion.

Preliminary Programme

9:00 a.m.– 9:30 a.m. Opening Segment

9:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Interactive round table 1

Theme “Reforming the international financial architecture to achieve the SDGs”

Segment 1: Fostering debt sustainability and strengthening the global financial safety net

Segment 2: Promoting inclusive and effective international tax cooperation and mobilizing domestic resources

3:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. Interactive round table 2

Theme: “Innovative solutions to unlock SDG investments”

Segment 1: Innovative approaches and partnerships to boost private finance for the SDGs

Segment 2: Scaling up affordable and accessible international public financing for sustainable development and ensuring efficiency

5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Closing Segment

The programme of the High-level Dialogue will also be posted on the webpage of the meeting at: <https://www.un.org/esa/ffd/ffddialogue2023/>.

Format of the High-level Dialogue

The Dialogue will feature an opening segment, two interactive roundtables and a closing segment.

Opening segment

The opening segment will feature statements by the President of the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session and the United Nations Secretary General. The statements will be followed by keynote addresses.

Interactive Roundtables

Following the opening segment, the first interactive roundtable will be dedicated to the theme “*Reforming the international financial architecture to achieve the SDGs*”, featuring 2 separate segments on:

- 1) *Fostering debt sustainability and strengthening the global financial safety net*; and
- 2) *Promoting inclusive and effective international tax cooperation and mobilizing domestic resources*.

The second interactive dialogue will focus on the theme “*Innovative solutions to unlock SDG investments*”, featuring segments on:

- 1) *Innovative approaches and partnerships to boost private finance for the SDGs; and*
- 2) *Scaling up affordable and accessible international public financing for sustainable development and ensuring efficiency.*

Each interactive roundtable will feature keynote addresses by Heads of State and Government, as well as eminent experts who will offer best practices and create political momentum on the relevant subject. Member States will have an opportunity to make statements and announcements from the floor. Delegations are welcomed to address any aspect of the action areas of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda during their interventions, regardless of the segment in which they are participating. After the statements from Member States, a panel of experts will respond to the interventions made during each segment.

Closing Segment

The closing segment will feature remarks by the Deputy Secretary General, the President of the Economic and Social Council and the President of the General Assembly.

List of Speakers for Member States

Due to the limited time available and a high number of delegations registered, the provisional list of speakers for each segment has been prepared in accordance with customary protocol, with priority given to Heads of State and Government, and with due consideration given to gender balance, geographical representation and levels of development. Each selected Member State will be given one speaking slot during the High-level Dialogue.

Member States that indicated their intention to deliver statements on behalf of groups of States has been given priority within the same level of representation.

The time limit for all statements, including statements made on behalf of a group of States or in a national capacity, will be **three minutes** and will be strictly implemented. Extended versions of the statement can be submitted to eStatements@un.org.

Keynote speakers will speak from one of two lecterns. Member States will deliver their statements from the floor and key respondents will deliver their remarks from the podium.

Interpretation

To facilitate the provision of interpretation into the six official languages of the United Nations, delegations are requested to submit their statements, preferably in Microsoft

Word as well as in PDF format) by email to eStatements@un.org, in advance, but no later than two hours before delivery. The title of the meeting and roundtable and the name of the speaker should be indicated in the subject line of the email and in the heading of the statement. The statement will be made available in the eStatements section of the *United Nations Journal* only after delivery.

Access to the venue

For access to the Trusteeship Council Chamber, **Member States** will require a regular delegate's pass and a colour coded secondary tickets. Each permanent mission will be issued two colour-coded secondary tickets for access to the Trusteeship Council.

NGOs, in consultative status with ECOSOC and those accredited through the financing for development follow-up process, will be contacted to inform of collection times and dates for secondary tickets. Due to security restrictions, for the High-level week of the General Assembly, access to the UN will be via the checkpoint at 46th Street and 2nd Avenue. Please note that for security purposes, a government issued photo ID is required (1) to receive the special events ticket and (2) to enter the United Nations compound. Participants should arrive one hour prior to the start of the event to ensure enough time for the mandatory airport-standard security screening.

Accessibility

General information on accessibility is contained in the information note entitled "Arrangements for the high-level meetings and general debate of the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly" (A/INF/78/4/Rev.1). The seating arrangements in the Trusteeship Council Chamber will take into account requests received with a view to enable the participation of persons with disabilities.

International Sign Interpretation will be available in addition to the communication Access Real Time Translation (CART) via captions on the screen.
