

Overall theme: "Embarking on the path toward the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development FfD 4"

Monday 22 April

10:00-10:40 Opening session

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

Opening and welcome remarks

- H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC
- H.E. Mr. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations
- H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis, President of the General Assembly

Keynote addresses: "What can be achieved in FfD4?"

 Ms. Kristalina Georgieva, Managing Director, International Monetary Fund (IMF) (video message)

10:40–10:45 Presentation of the Financing for Sustainable Development Report by Mr. Li Junhua, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (confirmed)

10:45-12:00 Panel discussion 11: The road to FfD 4

This session will frame the path ahead towards a fourth International Conference on Financing for Development (FfD) in 2025. Participants will discuss financing challenges and identify gaps in policies and global frameworks that must be addressed to achieve the SDGs. This discussion will inform the Summit of the Future and feed into the preparation of the 4th International Conference on Financing for Development

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Columbia University

Special address: H.E. Mr. Mario Marcel, Minister of Finance, Chile

Ministerial Roundtable

H.E. Mr. Ali bin Ahmed Al Kuwari, Minister of Finance, Qatar

¹ All panel discussions will include allotted time for interactive discussions featuring interventions from the floor of no more than 2-3 minutes.

- H.E. Mr. Dan Jørgensen, Minister for Development and Global Climate Policy, Denmark
- H.E. Ms. Rania Al Mashat, Minister of International Cooperation, Egypt (virtual)
- H.E. Ms. Eva Granados, Secretary of State for International Cooperation, Spain
- H.E. Mr. Mauricio Carvalho Lyrio, Secretary for Economic and Financial Affairs, G20 Sherpa, Brazil (video message)

Lead discussant:

 Ms. Chenai Mukumba, Tax Justice Network Africa and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

12:00-13:00 General Debate: "What can be achieved in FfD4?"2

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC Statements by participating States

15:00–18:00 Special High-level Meeting with Bretton Woods Institutions, WTO and UNCTAD

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

15:00–15:30 Statements by intergovernmental representatives

- H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC
- H.E. Mr. Ryadh Alkhareif, Deputy Chair of the International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC), IMF (virtual)
- Ms. Mercy Tembon, Development Committee Executive Secretary
- H.E. Mr. Febrian Ruddyard, President, Trade and Development Board, UNCTAD
- H.E. Mr. Ambassador Petter Ølberg, Chair of WTO General Council (video message)

15:30–18:00 Interactive Dialogue between UN Ambassadors and the Executive Directors of World Bank and IMF

Moderator: Ms. Sarah Cliffe, Executive Director, Center for International Cooperation, New York University

Opening remarks

- H.E. Mr. Dominique Favre, Executive Director for Switzerland, WBG
- Mr. Bahador Bijani, Chair of the IMF Liaison Committee

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Topic 1: External debt Speakers

- Mr. Jun Mizuguchi, Executive Director, IMF
- Ms. Ayanda Dlodlo, Executive Director, WBG H.E. Akan Rakhmetullin Vice-President of ECOSOC (Kazakhstan)

Topic 2: Reform of the international financial architecture Speakers

- Mr. Michael Krake Executive Director, WBG -
- Mr. Robert Nicholl , Executive Director, IMF
- H.E. Bob Rae, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Interactive discussion

Tuesday 23 April

10:00–11:30 Panel discussion 2: Domestic public resources

This session will address key issues related to domestic resource mobilization, international tax cooperation, and illicit financial flows. Participants will discuss efforts to strengthen domestic resource mobilization following setbacks during the pandemic, amid a changing tax mix and technological innovations. Discussions will include issues related to tax administration, public financial management and combatting illicit financial flows. With the establishment of an ad hoc intergovernmental committee mandated to develop draft terms of reference for a UN framework convention on international tax cooperation, discussions will also address how to promote inclusive and effective international tax cooperation at the UN.

Chair: ECOSOC President/Vice-President

Moderator: Mr. José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary, ECLAC (on behalf of the five regional commissions)

- H.E. Mr. J.G. Moyo, Minister of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare, Zimbabwe
- H.E. Sergio Armando Cusicanqui Loayza, Minister for Development Planning, Bolivia (virtual)
- H.E. Mr. Serdar Jorayev, Minister of Finance and Economy, Turkmenistan
- H.E. Ms. Bjørg Sandkjær, State Secretary of Norway
- H.E. Mr. Davor Zoričić, State Secretary at the Ministry of Finance, Republic of Croatia

Lead discussant:

- Ms. Shahrashoub Razavi, Director of the Social Protection Department, ILO (virtual)
- Ms. Tove Maria Ryding, European Network on Debt and Development and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

11:30–13:00 Panel discussion 3: Domestic and international private business and finance

Private business and finance are important drivers of sustainable growth and development. To deliver on these promises, business activity and investment (both foreign and domestic), need to be dynamic, inclusive, risk-informed and sustainable. Revitalizing private sector development that is fully aligned with sustainable development will be a core task of the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development. This session will help build a new narrative for the role of the private sector in financing sustainable development.

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Mr. Jorge Moreira da Silva, Under-Secretary-General & Executive Director, UNOPS

- H.E. Mr. Pablo Cevallos, Secretary of Public-Private Investments, Ecuador (virtual)
- H.E. Mr. Luis Gregorio Madera Sued, Deputy Minister of Planning and Public Investment, Dominican Republic
- Ms. Sigrun Rawet, Deputy Director General, Head of Department for Multilateral Development Banks, Sustainability and Climate, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden
- Mr. Zamir Igbal, Vice President Finance and CFO, Islamic Development Bank
- Ms. Sanaa Mehra, Head of EMEA Sustainable Debt Capital Markets, Citi Lead discussant:
 - Ms. Anne Cecile Coly, International Trade Union Confederation Africa and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

15:00–16:30 Panel discussion 4: International development cooperation

The COVID-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine and the food, fuel and climate crises are placing unprecedented demands on international development cooperation. The global financing landscape has also changed since the adoption of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, making it increasingly complex to navigate, and calling for urgent action to boost international development cooperation and strengthen its effectiveness. This session will consider what international development cooperation should look like to support sustainable development and ensure the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. The discussion will touch on a broad range of issues and actors, including multilateral development bank reform, strengthening the public development bank system and official development assistance in the face of multiple global crises.

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Mr. Navid Hanif, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, DESA

Keynote address: Ms. Nadia Calviño, President, European Investment Bank

- H.E. Ms. Tatiana Rosito, Secretary for International Affairs at the Ministry of Finance, Brazil
- H.E. Anayansi Rodríguez Camejo, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cuba

- Mr. Carsten Staur, Chair of the OECD's Development Assistance Committee (DAC)
- Mr. Adama Mariko, Secretary-General, Finance in Common

Lead discussant:

 Ms. Jennifer del Rosario Malonzo, IBON International and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

16:30–18:00 General debate: "What can be achieved in FfD4?" 3

Chair: Amb. Akan Rakhmetullin , Vice-President of ECOSOC

Wednesday 24 April

10:00–11:30 Panel Discussion 5: International trade as an engine for development

This session will analyze the significant changes in international trade dynamics that have taken place since the adoption of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda. In view of the marked lack of progress in the growth and diversification of exports from developing countries, particularly those dependent on primary commodities, the session will assess innovative strategies and policy actions needed to improve commodity-dependent countries' position in international markets.

Chair: Amb. Akan Rakhmetullin, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Mariangela Parra-Lancourt, Chief, Strategic Engagement and Policy Integration Branch, Financing for Development Office, UN DESA

- Ms. Cindy Rodriguez Mendoza, Vice-Minister of International Cooperation, Honduras
- Ms. Maira Myrogianni, Secretary General for International Economic Affairs, MFA, Chairwoman of the Board, Enterprise, Greece
- Mr. Pedro Manuel Moreno, Deputy Secretary-General, UN Trade and Development, UNCTAD
- H.E. Mr. Sheikh Mohammed Belal, Managing Director, Common Fund for Commodities (virtual)

Lead discussant:

 Mr. Tetteh Hormeku, Third World Network Africa and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

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11:30-13:00 Panel discussion 6: Debt and debt sustainability

In the context of a changing global macro-financial landscape, this session will look at the drivers of debt and debt vulnerabilities, progress in debt crisis prevention and resolution, and remaining gaps and solutions for the sovereign debt architecture. Innovative debt instruments e.g. debt for nature/climate swaps and state-contingent debt instruments may also be addressed in this session.

Chair: EAmb. Akan Rakhmetullin , Vice-President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Mr. Pedro Manuel Moreno, Deputy Secretary-General, UN Trade and Development, UNCTAD

- H.E. Mr. Kazim Niaz, Secretary, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Pakistan
- Mr. William Roos, Assistant Secretary for Multilateral, Development and Trade Affairs, Ministry of the Economy, Finance and Industrial and Digital Sovereignty, France
- H.E. Mr. Nuno Sampaio, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Portuguese Republic
- Dr. Larba Issa Kobyagda, Director General of Economics and Planning, Ministry of Economy, Finance and Development, Burkina Faso

Lead discussant:

 Mr. Rodolfo Bejarano, Red Latinoamericana por Justicia Económica y Social and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

15:00–16:30 Panel discussion 7: Addressing systemic issues

This session will focus on the recent evolution of the global financial safety net, its outstanding gaps, and the measures needed to strengthen it. Global economic governance and the position of developing countries in economic decision-making will be also explored.

Chair: ECOSOC President/Vice-President

Moderator: Mr. Mauricio Cárdenas, Professor of Professional Practice in Global Leadership, Columbia University

- H.E. Mr. Lkhagvasuren Byadran, Governor of the Bank of Mongolia
- H.E. Mr. Ahmed Mazin, Minister of State for Finance, Maldives
- Mr. Robert Powell, Special Representative to the UN, IMF

Lead discussant

 Mr. Jason Braganza, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

16:30–18:00 General debate: "What can be achieved in FfD4?" 4

Chair: ECOSOC President/Vice-President

Thursday 25 April

10:00 – 11:30 Panel discussion 8: Science, technology, innovation and capacity-building

This session will assess the potential of emerging technologies to accelerate technological catching up and to close technological divides. Means to achieve this through trade and technology transfer, intellectual property rights and competition policy, including via the Technology Facilitation Mechanism and Technology Bank for the Least Developed Countries, will be considered.

Chair: H.E. Mr. Tarek Ladeb, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Mr. Ralf Bredel, Director and Representative Liaison Office New York, UNIDO

Special address: Mr. Will Tracy, Vice President for Applied Complexity, Santa Fe Institute

- H.E. Mr. Vladimir Radovanovic, Assistant Minister for Innovation, Serbia (virtual)
- Ms. Dana Hamzah Assistant Undersecretary for Sustainable Development Ministry of Sustainable Development, Bahrain
- Mr. Sameer Maskey, Founder and CEO, FuseMachines Inc. (virtual)

Lead discussant:

 Ms. Flora Sonkin, Society for International Development and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

Interactive discussion

11:30 – 13:00 Integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFFs): Taking stock ofnational-level progress

Building on the growing momentum for the demand and support for Integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFFs) implementation, this session will provide: 1) a forum to share experiences and lessons learned by countries that are developing INFFs and to report back to ECOSOC on INFF progress as part of their follow-up to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, and 2) for the international community to explore how to make use of INFFs to align its support with national priorities and plans.

Chair: His Excellency Tarek Ladeb, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Shari Spiegel, Director, Financing for Sustainable Development Office, UN DESA

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Opening Remarks: Mr. Achim Steiner, Administrator, UNDP

- Mr. Robert, Senior Economist, Development Assistance and Regional Cooperation department, Ministry of Finance
- Dr. Larba Issa Kobyagda, Director General of Economics and Planning, Ministry of Economy, Finance and Development, Chair of INFF steering committee, Burkina Faso
- H.E. Ms. Vivi Yulaswati, Deputy Minister for Maritime and Natural Resources, Minister for National Development Planning, Indonesia (confirmed)
- Mr. Sanzhar Bolotov, Deputy Minister of Economy and Commerce, Ministry of Economy and Commerce, Kyrgyztan
- Mr. Antti Karhunen, Director for Sustainable Finance, Investment and Jobs, Department for International Partnerships, European Commission
- Ms. Rita Triharyani, YAKKUM and Civil Society FfD Mechanism

15:00 - 16:00 General debate: "What can be achieved in FfD4?" 5

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

16:00–18:00 Adoption of the intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations

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- Adoption of the intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations
- Adoption of the report

Leading the process towards FfD 4

In this session, the co-chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development will reflect on the path ahead.

Chair: H.E. Ms. Paula Narváez, President of ECOSOC

- H.E. Mr. Zéphyrin Maniratanga, Permanent Representative of Burundi to the United Nations
- H.E. Ms. Ana Paula Zacarias, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations

Closing of the Forum

- Closing remarks by Mr. Li Junhua, Under-Secretary-General of DESA
- Closing statement by the President of ECOSOC

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