



to the United Nations

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Excellency,

We have the honour to invite your Government to participate in the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Sustainable Development (FfD 4), to be held from 3 to 6 December 2024 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

This second session, which will discuss the elements paper, as described in the call for inputs issued by the Co-Facilitators of the FfD4 Outcome Document, will provide a unique opportunity to provide high-level political guidance on the framing of the zero draft of the Outcome Document for the Fourth Conference. The participation of Ministers of Finance and Foreign Affairs in an opening high-level segment of the session on 3 December is strongly encouraged.

The session will build on the success of the first session held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 22 to 26 July 2024. The Addis Ababa meeting brought together nearly 800 participants from 103 Member States, including Ministers and other senior officials. It brought to the fore the urgency of rebuilding trust in multilateralism, and discussed the need to reform the international financial architecture, revitalize international development cooperation, increase domestic resource mobilization, and enhance trade and investment, supported by an enabling global environment.

The December session will be preceded by an "academic day" on 2 December, which will elicit the perspectives of academia and provide food for thought for Member States' deliberations.

We hereby invite you to confirm your Government's participation in the session by email (desaffd4.delegate@un.org) by 25 October 2024. The proposed organization of work to be adopted on the first day of the session will be shared as soon as possible. Additional information on how to participate will be released by the UN Secretariat in due course.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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