



Fourth International Conference on
Financing for Development (FFD4)

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FORUM

30 JUNE – 3 JULY 2025
SEVILLE, SPAIN

ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FORUM

The International Business Forum will be held from 30 June to 3 July at the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development (FFD4) in Seville, Spain. Organized by the FFD4 Business Steering Committee, the International Business Forum will be the centrepiece of private sector engagement in the Conference, bringing together global leaders to drive solutions that unlock private finance and investments for sustainable development.

The International Business Forum will include the [SDG Investment Fair](#), a platform for concrete investment opportunities.

It will offer public and private sector leaders across the world an opportunity to:



Engage with Heads of State, Ministers, heads of international finance organizations, and other CEOs and prominent business leaders.



Shape global norms, policies and regulatory frameworks.



Learn about investment opportunities in energy transition, food and water management, and digital transformation.



Showcase your initiatives, projects and commitments as part of the Seville Platform for Action.



PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

TYPES OF SESSIONS

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

POLICY DIALOGUE

INVESTOR ROUNDTABLE

INNOVATIONS & BEST PRACTICES

DAY 1

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT JUNE 30TH

14:00
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15:00

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Opening of the International Business Forum with Heads of States, Ministers, CEOs and global business leaders

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16:00

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

High-level panel on "From FFD4 outcome to implementation: Unlocking the potential of private capital for the sustainable development."

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17:45

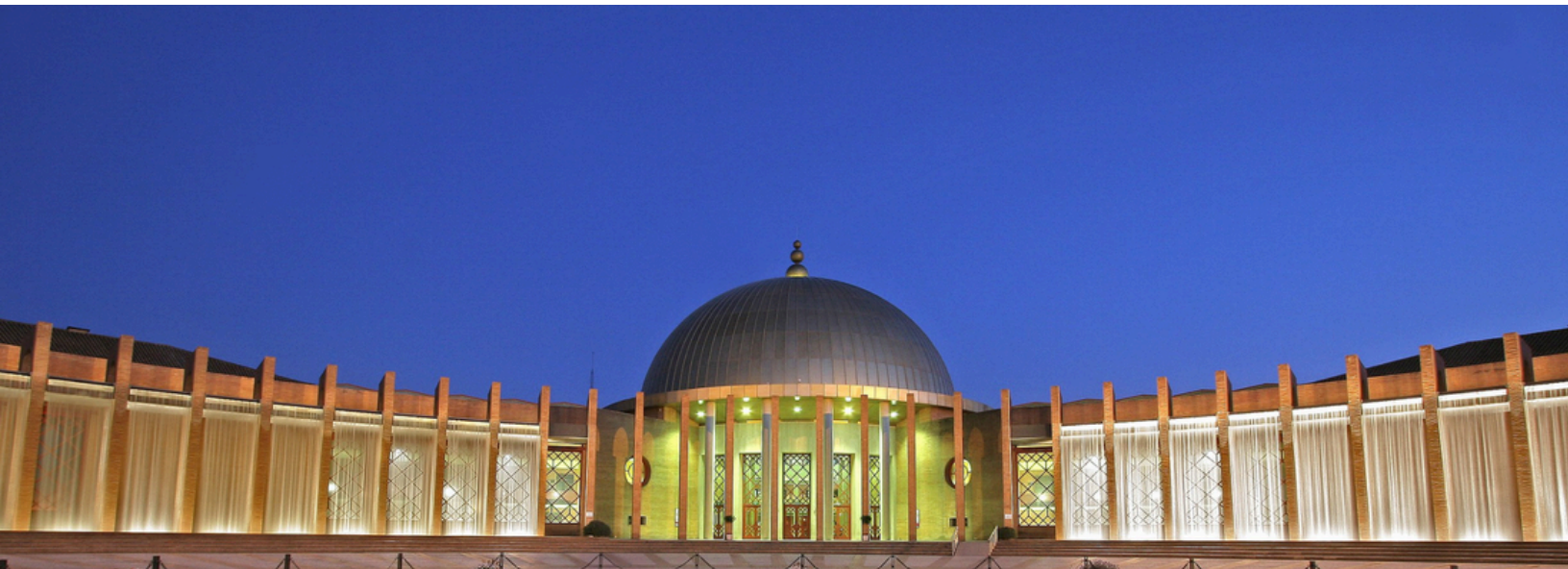
MAKING BLENDED FINANCE WORK

Policy dialogue with investors, multilateral and public development banks, and government representatives on ramping up private capital mobilization through risk sharing.

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21:00

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Sponsored by FFD4 Business Steering Committee



PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

DAY 2

TRANSFORMING THE INVESTMENT ECOSYSTEM JULY 1ST

09:00
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10:00

**INCENTIVIZING LONG-TERM INVESTMENT BY
INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS**

10:00
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11:30

MAKING FINANCIAL REGULATION FIT-FOR-PURPOSE
Policy dialogue with regulators, supervisors including Central Banks, and governments.

11:30
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13:00

**IMPACT OF
CREDIT RATINGS
ON INVESTMENTS
IN DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES**

Policy dialogue with credit rating agencies, governments, regulators, and development banks.

**INVESTING IN
ENERGY
TRANSITION**

Investment roundtable showcasing bankable projects in energy solutions in association with the SDG Investment Fair

**ROLE OF BANKING
IN FINANCING
INCLUSIVE
ECONOMIES**

13:00
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14:00

LUNCH BREAK

14:00
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15:30

**REVITALIZING TRADE
FINANCE & GLOBAL SUPPLY
CHAINS**

Policy dialogue with corporates, banks, development finance institutions and governments.

**MANAGING CURRENCY
RISK**

Policy dialogue with investors, multilateral development banks, governments on solutions to tackle local currency risks.

15:30
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17:00

**SUPPORTING BALANCED
AND INTEROPERABLE
SUSTAINABILITY
LEGISLATION**

Policy dialogue with businesses, governments and standard setters.

**INNOVATIONS & BEST
PRACTICES**

Showcasing successful risk-sharing strategies and credit enhancement mechanisms

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

DAY 3

IMPACT-DRIVEN BUSINESS MODELS AND INNOVATIONS JULY 2ND

09:00

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10:00

INNOVATIONS & BEST PRACTICES

Showcasing impact investment funds and public-private partnerships offering innovations in food systems, nature conservation and biodiversity in association with the SDG Investment Fair

10:00

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11:30

SCALING UP SME FINANCE

Policy dialogue with SMEs, policymakers, development finance organizations and banks.

11:30

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13:00

INNOVATIONS & BEST PRACTICES

Unlocking Financial Inclusion in Emerging Markets: Country-Led Innovations in Blended Finance

13:00

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14:00

LUNCH BREAK

14:00

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15:30

INNOVATIONS & BEST PRACTICES

Showcasing best practices in impact measurement and management

INNOVATIONS & BEST PRACTICES

Showcasing innovative debt solutions that advance national sustainable development priorities

15:30

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17:00

INVESTING IN SUSTAINABLE FOOD & WATER MANAGEMENT

Investment roundtable showcasing agriculture, water and sanitation solutions in association with the SDG Investment Fair

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

DAY 4

DATA, TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION JULY 3RD

10:00
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11:30

DATA-DRIVEN APPROACHES TO ACHIEVING DEVELOPMENT

Policy dialogue with governments, corporates and thought leaders

11:30
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12:00

INVESTING IN TECHNOLOGY

Investment roundtable showcasing digital innovations in education, health and social systems in association with the SDG Investment Fair

12:00
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13:00

CLOSING CEREMONY: *CALL TO ACTION AND WAY FORWARD*

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