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## NOTIFICATION

### Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development Seventh session Geneva, 1–3 November 2023

The seventh session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development will be held from 1 to 3 November 2023 in room XXVI of the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The session will open at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 1 November.

#### Background and purpose of the meeting

The substantive topic and guiding questions were approved by the Trade and Development Board through a silence procedure that concluded on 26 April 2023. The substantive topic is as follows: Delivering development finance to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development – Making development finance contribute to environmentally sound industrialization.

#### Background documents and contributed papers

The provisional agenda for the session, together with the secretariat's annotations thereto, will be circulated as document TD/B/EFD/7/1. In order to facilitate discussions, the UNCTAD secretariat has prepared a background note titled "Delivering development finance to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Making development finance contribute to environmentally sound industrialization" (TD/B/EFD/7/2).

Experts are encouraged to prepare and submit to the meeting brief papers (5–12 pages) related to one or more of the issues on the provisional agenda, which will be available on the UNCTAD website. These papers will be made available at the meeting in the form and language in which they are received. They should be sent by **13 October 2023** to the coordinators in the UNCTAD secretariat, whose contact details are provided below.

#### Participation

This session is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Other organizations, including specialized agencies, intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations in the general and special categories, as well as academia, research institutions and the private sector, may participate as observers.

Online registration, at [Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development](#), is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required in order to be included in the list of participants. Early registration (by 17 October 2023) is advisable, so that timely approval may be received for the issuance of a badge to enter the Palais des Nations. Registration requires uploading an official letter of nomination to represent an organization at this meeting. For government representatives, a note verbale or an email from the permanent mission in Geneva will suffice. All inquiries regarding registration should be sent to the UNCTAD secretariat, Intergovernmental Outreach and Support Service, Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10; email: [meetings@unctad.org](mailto:meetings@unctad.org)

## Logistics

The session will be held with physical participation in room XXVI of the Palais des Nations. Those who cannot attend the meeting in person will be able to listen to the live audio stream. However, remote interventions will not be possible. The link to listen live will be sent to registered participants, at the email address used for registration, one day in advance of the start of the meeting.

Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to scan their badges at the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 avenue de la Paix. As part of the new system at the United Nations Office at Geneva, participants will receive a digital badge consisting of their photo, a quick response (QR) code and the name and date of the meeting. The digital badge will be sent to each participant by email once they have been accredited by the meeting organizer and should be downloaded to a mobile telephone or other mobile device. Participants may also print the digital badge in order to use the QR code. The Security Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 9 a.m. in order to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in Building E of the Palais. Participants are requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card with them. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations. Visitors should therefore be dropped off at the indicated entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service gives special clearance.

## Further information and contact details

Substantive inquiries should be addressed to the Debt and Development Finance Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD, tel: 41 22 917 8699; email: [igeffd@unctad.org](mailto:igeffd@unctad.org).



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