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NOTIFICATION

Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development Third session

Geneva, 4 to 6 November 2019

The third session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development will be held from 4 to 6 November 2019 in room XXVI of the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The meeting will open at 10 a.m. on Monday, 4 November.

Background and purpose of the meeting

In accordance with the terms of reference for the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development (TD/B(S-XXXI)/2, annex IV, para. 7 (c)) and with the topic and guiding questions approved at the second session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development in November 2018 (TD/B/EFD/2/3, annex I), at the third session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts, discussions will address international development cooperation and interrelated systemic issues (Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, action area C (A/RES/69/313)).

Further information and documentation for this session will be made available at <https://unctad.org/en/pages/MeetingDetails.aspx?meetingid=1901>.

Written contributions

In order to facilitate deliberations and the informal exchange of experiences and best practices on the topic to be discussed, member States and observers are requested to submit written contributions to the UNCTAD secretariat by Monday, 28 October 2019.

Written contributions are especially welcome on any of the agreed guiding questions for this topic (see TD/B/EFD/2/3, annex I, available at <https://unctad.org/en/pages/MeetingDetails.aspx?meetingid=1679>).

Participation

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

Online registration is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required in order to be included in the list of participants. Please register online at the following website: [Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development](#).

Further queries regarding registration should be sent to the Intergovernmental Support Service, UNCTAD, Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10; email: meetings@unctad.org).

Financial assistance

Depending on the availability of funding, financial assistance may be granted to a limited number of officially nominated experts from developing countries, to cover the costs of travel to Geneva as well as a daily subsistence allowance. The decision as to which of the nominated experts should receive financing will be based on the direct involvement and expertise of the experts, on the principle of equitable geographical and gender representation and on the needs of beneficiaries, in particular the least developed countries.

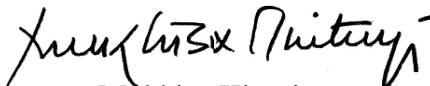
Requests for such funding should be made by Monday, 7 October 2019, by the permanent mission of the official nomination of the expert representative(s) to attend the session, and should be accompanied by the following information about each nominee: (a) curriculum vitae; (b) postal and email addresses; (c) telephone and fax numbers; (d) name of the contact person at the respective permanent missions in Geneva. Once the list of experts to receive financial assistance has been finalized, all travel arrangements will be made in accordance with the United Nations rules and regulations.

Logistics

Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to collect their badges at the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 avenue de la Paix. 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 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 concerning should be addressed to the Debt and Development Finance Branch of the UNCTAD Division on Globalization and Development Strategies (tel.: 41 22 917 5977; email: igeffd@unctad.org).



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