

Attracting Finance and Investment for the Energy Transition in **Seychelles**

Stakeholders meeting

Thursday 1st August 2024, Eden Bleu Hotel, Victoria, Mahe, Seychelles

Seychelles, through the Seychelles Investment Board (SIB) is a beneficiary of a technical assistance project promoting and facilitating finance and investment in energy transition. This 3-year project, led by the UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD), is implemented in cooperation with other UN departments.

One of the project's key output is to develop a strategy to attract finance and investment in energy transition-related projects, such as renewable energy and green technologies. As part of the strategy development process, UNCTAD and SIB are jointly organizing this meeting to consult stakeholders from the private and public sectors, as well as development partners. The feedback, insights, and inputs gathered during this meeting will contribute to the successful development and implementation of the strategy.

8:30-9:00 **Registration**

9:00-9:30 **Opening Remarks**

Ms. Anne Rosette, Chief Executive Officer of Seychelles Investment Board

Ms. Nan Li, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise (DIAE), United Nations Trade and Development, UNCTAD (online)

Keynote address

H.E. Mr. Flavien Joubert, Minister of Agriculture, Climate Change, and Environment

9:30-10:15	<p>Attracting Investment and Finance for Energy Transition in Africa</p> <p>Energy transition investment trends/project background Ms. Natalia Guerra, Senior Capacity-building Officer, UNCTAD</p> <p>Mobilizing Institutional Investors for Infrastructure Mr. Rahul Agarwal, Institutional Investment Expert, UNCTAD (online)</p>
10:15-10:30	Coffee Break
10:30-11:15	<p>Panel Discussion: Creating an enabling environment for green investments in Seychelles</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Mohamed Alhaj, Renewable Energy expert, UNCTAD</p> <p>Mr. Tony Imaduwa, PS Climate Change, Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change, and Environment</p> <p>Ms. Rana Fernades, Head of Credit Control, Development Bank of Seychelles</p> <p>Dr. Christian Fleischer, Chief Engineer, Public Utilities Corporation</p> <p>Mr. Gerlye Salomon, Senior Legal Officer, Seychelles Energy Commission</p>
11:15-12:30	<p>Focus Group: Catalyzing Green Investments: Overcoming Barriers and Identifying Opportunities in Seychelles Energy Transition</p> <p>All Participants</p> <p><i>Participants will be divided into groups to discuss the challenges in energy transition/green investments and proposed recommendations. Topics: regulatory challenges, grid infrastructure, financing, capacity-building, stakeholders' coordination, community engagement, costs, etc.</i></p>
12:30- 1:00	Workshop summary and conclusions
1:00-2:00	Networking Lunch offered by UNCTAD

