

Joint Measurement and Policy Workshop on Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs)

3 to 7 February 2025
Palais des Nations, Room XXVII
Geneva

Programme

03–07 February 2025, 10 a.m to 6 p.m. (CET) Room XXVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Monday, 03 February

10:00 –10:30	Welcome, opening remarks and introduction of participants
Opening remarks	Ms. Anu Peltola, Director of Statistics Service, UNCTAD
Moderation	Ms. Amandine Rushenguziminega, UNCTAD Statistics
10:30 – 11:30 Session 1	Country Case Study, Methods #1 and #2, Ghana Measurement methodology
Presentation by	Mr. Asuo Afram, Ghana Statistical Service Mr. Bishop Akolgo, National consultant
Moderation	Mr. Bojan Nastav, UNCTAD Statistics
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break and group photo



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12:00 – 13:00 Session 2	Country Case Study, Methods #1, #2 and #4, Namibia Measurement methodology
Presentation by	Mr. Lazarus Amukeshe, Bank of Namibia Ms. Indileni Nanghonga, National consultant
Moderation	Ms. Amandine Rushenguziminega, UNCTAD Statistics
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 15:30 Session 3	Country Case Study, Methods #1 and #3, Zambia Measurement methodology
Presentation by	Mr. Shebo Nalishebo, National consultant
Moderation	Ms. Diana Camerini, UNCTAD Statistics
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:30 Session 4	Dissemination of IFF statistics and reporting to SDG indicator 16.4.1
Presentation by	Mr. Bojan Nastav & Ms. Diana Camerini, UNCTAD Statistics
Moderation	Ms. Amandine Rushenguziminega, UNCTAD Statistics

Tuesday, 04 February

10:00 –11:30 Session 5	National action plans for sustained compilation of IFF statistics
Presentation by	Mr. Bishop Akolgo, National consultant, Ghana Ms. Indileni Nanghonga, National consultant, Namibia Mr. Shebo Nalishebo, National consultant, Zambia
Moderation	Mr. Bojan Nastav, UNCTAD Statistics
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break





12:00 – 13:00 Session 6	Existing national institutional set up to compile IFF statistics
Presentation by	Ms. Penelao Kapenda, Bank of Namibia
Moderation	Ms. Diana Camerini, UNCTAD Statistics
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch break
14:30	Welcoming participants from the Expert Group Meeting on Policy
	Ms. Amandine Rushenguziminega, UNCTAD Statistics
14:30 – 16:00 Session 7	Introduction to measurement work
Presentation by	Mr. Bojan Nastav & Ms. Diana Camerini, UNCTAD Statistics
Moderation	Ms. Amandine Rushenguziminega, UNCTAD Statistics
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 18:00 Session 8	Existing system supporting measurement of IFFs
	Customs' systems: Mr. Raouf Benzarti, ASYCUDA
	Anti-IFF Policy Tracker Tool: Mr. Francis Kairu, Tax Justice Network Africa (TJNA) <i>(online)</i>
Moderation	Mr. Shebo Nalishebo, National consultant, Zambia



Wednesday, 05 February

09:50 -10:10	Welcome, opening remarks
Opening remarks	Mr. Paul Akiwumi, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
Moderation	Ms. Habiba Ben Barka, Chief of Africa Section, Research and Policy Analysis Branch, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
10:10 - 11:40 Session 9	Missing Dollars Presentation Illicit Financial Flows from Commodity Trade – Panel Discussion Intervention from Ghana and Zambia
Presentation by	Mr. Gilles Carbonnier, Professor of Development Economics, Geneva Graduate Institute (IHEID)
Plenary panel	Ms. Penelao Kapenda, Deputy Director Financial Surveillance, Bank of Namibia
	Mr. Allan Mukungu, Economic Governance and Public Finance Section, Macroeconomics and Governance Division, UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)
	Mr. Junior Davis, Head of Policy Analysis and Research Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
	Ms. Ruth Wamuyu Maina – Ndung'u, Research and Teaching Associate, PhD Candidate, WU Global Tax Policy Center
	Mr. Gilles Carbonnier, Professor of Development Economics, Geneva Graduate Institute (IHEID)
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11:40 – 12:00	Coffee break and group photo



12:00 - 13:00 Session 10	A policy Framework approach
Presentation by	Ms. Christine Awiti, Economic Affairs Officer, Africa Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
	Ms. Anastasia Maga, Consultant, Statistics Division, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP)
	Ms. Diana Camerini, Associate Statistician, UNCTAD
Moderation	Ms. Anja Slany, Economic Affairs Officer, Africa Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
13:00 – 15:00	Lunch break
15:00 – 16:30 Session 11	Assess: An overview of African economies - macroeconomy and economic structure
Presentation by	Ms. Anastasia Nesvetailova, Director, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, GDS, UNCTAD
	Mr. Clovis Freire Junior, Chief of Commodity Research and Analysis Section, Commodities Branch, UNCTAD
	Mr. Léonce Ndikumana, Distinguished Professor of Economics, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Moderation	Ms. Habiba Ben Barka, Chief of Africa Section, Research and Policy Analysis Branch, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes (ALDC), UNCTAD
16:30 - 16:45	Coffee break
16:45 – 17:30 Session 12	Group Discussions on Assess

Thursday, 06 February

10:00 –11:30 Session 13	Analyze: Presentation on past policies and linkage to IFFs
	Mr. Allan C.K. Mukungu, Economic Governance and Public Finance Section Macroeconomics and Governance Division, UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)





	Mr. Lucas Millán, Research Fellow, Council on Economic Policies Zurich
	Ms. Ama Asantewah Ahene-Codjoe, Lecturer in Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, University of Ghana (UG)
Moderation	Ms. Amina Ebrahim, Research Fellow, United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU- WIDER)
11:30 -11:50	Coffee break
11:50 – 12:50 Session 14	Group Discussions on Analyze
12:50 – 15:00	Lunch break
15:00 – 16:30 Session 15	Apply: Presentation on policies to combat IFFs
Presentation by	Mr. Bojan Nastav, Acting Chief of Statistical Analysis, UNCTAD
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Moderation	Ms. Ama Asantewah Ahene-Codjoe, Lecturer in Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, University of Ghana (UG)
16:30 – 16:45	Coffee break
16:45 – 17:30 Session 16	Group Discussions on Apply
17:30 – 19:00	Cocktail reception





Friday, 07 February

10:00 –11:00 Session 17	Plenary – A policy Framework
Plenary panel	Mr. Asuo Afram, Ghana Statistical Service
	Ms. Indileni Nanghonga, National consultant, Namibia
	Mr. Shebo Nalishebo, National consultant, Zambia
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Moderation	Mr. Léonce Ndikumana, Distinguished Professor of Economics, University of Massachusetts Amherst
11:10 – 11:30	Coffee break and departure for all other participants
11:30 – 13:00 Session 18	Meeting with National Consultants and Country Focal Points
Discussion	UNCTAD Country Focal Points and Consultants
Moderation	UNCTAD ALDC
13:00	Lunch break and departure