

Statistical methodologies to measure illicit financial flows in Africa

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Illicit financial flows (IFFs) threaten countries' ability to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Policy action to curb IFFs requires better data to understand IFFs. As an illicit phenomenon, IFFs are not easy to track. National statistical authorities have an important role in measuring IFFs in line with the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics. The session will share a *Conceptual Framework and Methods* to measure IFFs and invite African countries to pilot test the methods, jointly with UNECA, UNCTAD and UNODC. See more materials [here](#).

Programme

- **Opening address**
African Union Commission & UNECA
- **Conceptual framework for the statistical measurement of IFFs**
Enrico Bisogno, UNODC & Steve MacFeely, UNCTAD
- **UN Development Account project on IFFs in Africa**
Allan Mukungu, UNECA
- **Methods to measure tax and commercial IFFs**
Bojan Nastav, UNCTAD
- **Country perspectives – early experience by countries:**
Speakers from South Africa, Italy, Brazil and/or Mexico
- **Issues at stake in Africa – Q&A**
Discussant - Allan Mukungu, UNECA
- **Closing remarks – Call for expressions of interest to join 2021 pilots**