

Attracting Finance and Investment for the Energy Transition in Ethiopia

Stakeholders Meeting

15 August 2024, 9:00 A.M to 4:15 P.M | Radisson Blu Hotel, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Through the Ethiopia Investment Commission (EIC), Ethiopia 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 outputs 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 EIC 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
	Opening
9.00 – 9.10	EIC opening remarks
	Ms. Hanna Arayaselassie, Commissioner, EIC
9.10 – 9.20	Remarks by the Ministry of Water and Energy
	H.E. Dr. Eng. Habtamu Itefa Geleta, Minister, MoWE
9:20 – 9:30	UNCTAD Regional Office for Africa
	Ms. Diane Sayinzoga, Chief, Regional Office for Africa, UNCTAD

Background presentations	
9.30 – 9.45	<p>Investment trends in Ethiopia within the global context: Insights from UNCTAD World Investment Report 2024</p> <p>Ms. Stephania Bonilla-Feret, Senior Economic Affairs Officer at UNCTAD</p>
9.45 –10.00	<p>The Ethiopian Investment Commission: Promoting Ethiopia in the global market as a top destination for FDI</p> <p>Mr. Dagato Kumbe K., EIC, Deputy Commissioner</p>
10.00 – 10.15	<p>Opportunities and challenges of energy transition investments</p> <p>Mr. Mohamed Alhaj, Renewable energy expert at UNCTAD</p>
10.15 – 10.45	Coffee break
Panel 1	
10.45 - 11.45	<p>Creating an enabling environment for green investments in Ethiopia</p> <p>Moderator: Renewable energy expert, Mr. Mohamed Alhaj, UNCTAD</p>
11.45 – 1.00	Lunch
Fireside Session	
1.00 – 1.20	<p>Lessons learned from existing renewable energy projects in Ethiopia</p> <p>Moderator: EIC Mr. Dagato Kumbe K., EIC, Deputy Commissioner</p>
Panel 2	
1.20 – 2.20	<p>Financing the Future: The Role of Institutional Investors in the Energy Transition</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Joseph Clements, Economic Affairs Officer at UNCTAD</p>
Focus Groups	
2.40 – 4.00	<p>Catalyzing Green Investments: Overcoming Barriers and Identifying Opportunities in Ethiopia Energy Transition</p>
4.00 – 4.15	<p>Workshop summary and concluding remarks</p> <p>EIC Ministry of Water and Energy UNCTAD</p>

