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NOTIFICATION

Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development Fourth session

Geneva, 25 to 27 January 2021

The fourth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development will be held from 25 to 27 January 2021 in room XIX of the Palais des Nations, Geneva, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. each day. The session will open at 11 a.m. on Monday, 25 January and close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 27 January 2021. Both in-person attendance and remote participation using an online platform will be possible, with interpretation in all United Nations languages. Further information on the modalities will be sent in due course.

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 third session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts in November 2019 (TD/B/EFD/3/3, annex I), at the fourth session, discussions will address the following: Addressing systemic issues – strengthening the coherence and consistency of multilateral financial, investment, trade and development policy (Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, action area F (A/RES/69/313)).

Further information and documentation for this session can be found on [the website for this session](#).

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 Friday, 15 January 2021.

Participation

This session is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Other organizations, including specialized 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. Experts intending to participate remotely are requested to register before 5 January 2021, to allow the UNCTAD secretariat enough time to provide the necessary information on how to participate.

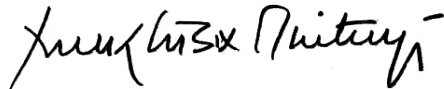
Online registration is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required in order to be included in the list of participants. Please register for this session on the following website: <https://indico.un.org/event/29017/>. Registration requires uploading an official letter of nomination to represent an organization at this meeting. For government representatives, a note verbale or an email from the permanent mission in Geneva will suffice. Further inquiries regarding registration should be addressed to meetings-unctad@un.org, and igeffd@unctad.org.

Logistics

Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to collect their badges from 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 10 a.m. 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 indicated 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 should be addressed to the Debt and Development Finance Branch of the Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD, tel: 41 22 917 5977; email: igeffd@unctad.org.



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