Training on the bankability of energy transition projects for Seychellois stakeholders and launch of the Seychelles investment guide

Capacity-Building Report

8–9 April 2026 | Mahé, 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 three-year project, led by UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD), is implemented in cooperation with the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) and other UN departments.

The first phase of the project helped the SIB to develop a strategy and action plan to attract finance and investment for energy transition. The second phase of the project targets capacity-building in the design, identification, and promotion of bankable renewable energy projects. Using the skills acquired under the capacity-building work, the third phase of the project will support Seychelles to promote energy transition projects in international fora.

Africa receives limited foreign investment to support its energy transition efforts. Most projects fail to attract international investment or finance due to perceptions of high risks and poor data to support reasonable returns on investment. The lack of projects that are attractive to investors, or bankable, has become one of the barriers to energy transition in Africa. For this purpose, this capacity-building programme held 8–9 April 2026, in Mahé, sought to strengthen the ability of Seychelles to identify, profile, and promote bankable projects towards securing financial closure. The capacity-building brought together experts from the SIB with infrastructure project lead agencies and international partners.

The capacity-building workshop was attended by 39 participants, including 28 women, from the SIB, regulatory agencies, development finance providers, and the private sector. The insights and inputs gathered during this workshop will contribute to the successful implementation of the strategy and guide future capacity-building both within Seychelles and in other beneficiary countries.

Day 1

Following opening remarks by **Ms. Anne Rosette, Chief Executive Officer, SIB,** the training started with an introduction by **Mr. Alex Yew**, **Senior Adviser, UNCTAD**, on project finance, including key principles, concepts, and how investors and lenders analyse and address risks. Then Mr. Yew provided an overview of the investor and lender landscapes with the different types of investors and lenders, what they seek and require, and specific considerations for the energy transition sector.

Ms. Adrianna Bistolet, Senior Credit Officer, Nouvobanq, shared the lenders' perspective on what makes a project attractive and bankable, with a discussion of how Nouvobanq assesses bankability, including some of the red flags the bank considers in reviewing applications.

Day 2

The second day of training began with a review of the first day and a lecture by **Mr. Alex Yew** on how investments are structured. Following this module, **Mr. Nicolo Capomacchia, Consultant, UN DESA,** presented the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) and impact finance landscape and why SDG alignment matters for private finance. He also shared practical approaches to assess SDG impact and strengthen investment readiness of energy projects.

Mr. Capomacchia introduced the SDG Investment Fair, an annual event which brings together participants from governments and the private sector to encourage investment for the SDGs. The Fair provides an opportunity for project promoters to pitch their projects. Mr. Capomacchia also presented UN DESA's Self-Assessment Tool for Appraising Investment Readiness in Sustainable Infrastructure (STAIRS). This tool helps countries assess the investment readiness of infrastructure projects.

With this foundation in place, **Mr. Jason Munyan, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD,** and **Mr. Alex Yew** provided training on effective investor presentations and storytelling and best practices for presenting and pitching projects. **Mr. Munyan** reinforced this training by introducing an example of a pitch deck template, with a questionnaire incorporated to emphasize investability and bankability. **Ms. Anne Rosette** applied some of the techniques discussed in giving a presentation on the SIB, its strategy, and priority investment opportunities. A project promoter pitched a project to the other participants for their feedback.

Ms. Anne Rosette, Chief Executive Officer, SIB, presents on the SIB's strategy and priority investment opportunities

Closing

The training concluded with a summary and reflections by participants. **Mr. Jason Munyan** congratulated participants and **Ms. Nan Li-Collins, Director of UNCTAD's Division on Investment and Enterprise** presented them with certificates.

Launch of the Seychelles online investment guide

At a reception on the evening of 9 April 2026, Seychelles formally launched an online investment guide (i-Guide) to attract high-quality, informed investment. The SIB developed the i-Guide with the support of UNCTAD and a range of government entities and stakeholders. **H.E. Mr. Pierre Laporte, Minister for Finance, Economic Planning, Trade, and Investment**, delivered a keynote speech, followed by **Ms. Nan Li-Collins**, who described UNCTAD's support of Seychelles and how the i-Guide represents Seychelles' commitment to transparency, efficiency, and partnership with investors.

Following the opening statements, **Mr. Jason Munyan** presented the i-Guide and walked the audience through features of the platform, including guidance on starting a business, securing the right permits and licenses, and navigating procedures to import or export. He also showed databases hosted on the platform and demonstrated the multilingual automated language translation feature.

The i-Guide helps domestic and foreign investors to navigate through not only regulations and policies, but also what they should expect in terms of productivity costs, including labour, utilities, taxes, and applicable fees. By providing investors with clear and reliable information, this platform contributes to Seychelles' efforts to modernize its public services and the ease of doing business under the National Development Strategy 2024–2028. The information on the i-Guide is verified by relevant national authorities and will be updated by the SIB regularly to reflect the latest regulatory and administrative changes.

Ms. Nan Li-Collins, Director of the Division on Investment and Enterprise, UNCTAD, during the launch of the Seychelles i-Guide

Seminar participants were invited to evaluate the meeting via an online survey. A total of 21 completed survey responses were received. Most participants rated the stakeholder meeting highly across all evaluation questions. Nearly all (95%) of participants rated their satisfaction with the event as either a 5 or 4 out of 5, with 5 being most satisfied. A full 76% of participants were “very satisfied” with the facilitator/trainer and the materials provided, followed by 71% “very satisfied” with the overall content, and 67% “very satisfied” with the topic relevance and time management.

These results, along with 86% of participants rating the training as either “very useful” or “useful” to their work, demonstrate proper targeting of the audience by the organisers.

Participants also provided written comments, including the following takeaways:

- I'm new to the project team at my workplace and believe this will definitely help, while starting new projects.
- Very informative, the topics were relevant. The presenters were knowledgeable about the subject and passed on very useful information with concrete examples and experience.
- The interactive approach of the presenters was commendable. And they provided clear examples to put things into context.
- Ample use of case studies to demonstrate concepts. Very interactive

- The facilitators were very open to questions even if they were outside of the energy area.
- The pitches towards the end. Also, the facilitators are well knowledgeable about bankability and pitching.
- That the financial sector in Seychelles has to diversify and grow and that the regulatory framework needs to support that.
- The project finance concept. How to view projects submitted to my office
- It was very informative and eye opening
- Very interactive and informative
- I liked the pitching session
- The use of case studies were presented
- Detailed information been given about the subject matters
- being specific with project details for pitching
- Good participation from the room
- Increased knowledge on structuring a project
- The facilitators presented well their concept; however, I felt that the concept provided in the context of Seychelles would be quite difficult to implement given how the country mostly functions. I couldn't grasp the importance of an investor investing within the Seychelles and expect a decent return on investment.

Suggestions received for similar events in the future include:

- The facilitators have a wealth of knowledge and capability. But it would be good to have something more specific to Seychelles. I feel like that was missing overall and the energy transition part was not talked about so much. But overall very good training. I look forward to the next one
- A second round of the training and include more pitches and interactive
- Would want a bit deep dive on the financials, stress testing to work through scenarios;
- Perhaps another sector such as agriculture or agro processing would be more valuable.
- More case studies
- I suggest that there is continuations in the near future with new technology innovation.
- Inviting other key stakeholders for the training such as PUC, Environment
- To ensure we have govt partners focussing on policy in the room.

- Maybe include more stakeholders such as the business community e.g.: SCCI
- More key stakeholders participation. Private sector, Parent Ministry
- Share the case studies or print them out with the rest of the slides
- Infos about the case studies in the booklets shared
- Try to focus content in line with the country to give more weight and context.
- Possibility for consultation post training if needed from participants

Annex I: Programme

Agenda Day 1

Morning: **Opening and scene setting—introduction to energy transition project finance, investor and lender perspectives**		
	Subject/topic	**Facilitator**
8:30 – 8:50 [20 mins]	Registration	Local authorities and United Nations
8:50 – 9:30 [40 mins]	Welcome, introductions, and workshop overview	Local authorities and United Nations
9:30 – 10:00 [30 mins]	**Part 1 (Training):** Introduction to project finance—key principles, concepts, how investors and lenders analyse and address risks	United Nations
10:00 – 10:30 [30 mins]	Group photo and coffee break	All participants
10:30 – 11:15 [45 mins]	**Part 2 (Training):** Overview of investor landscape—different types of investors, what they look for/need, specific considerations for the energy transition sector	United Nations
11:15 – 11:30 [15 mins]	Break	
11:30 – 12:30 [60 mins]	**Part 3a (Training):** Overview of lender landscape—different types of lenders and what they look for/need, specific considerations for the energy transition sector	United Nations
12:30 – 13:30 [60 mins]	Networking lunch	All participants
Afternoon: **Lender perspective, sum-up**		
13:30 – 14:30 [60 mins]	**Part 3b (External / Local Perspective and Case Study):** Lenders' perspective on what makes a project attractive and bankable	Invited external speaker (commercial bank or DFI)
14:30 – 14:45 [15 mins]	Coffee break	
14:45 – 15:00 [15 mins]	Sum-up/reflections, and end of the session	All participants

Agenda Day 2

Morning: How investments are structured; overview of SDGs and impact investing		
	Subject/topic	**Facilitator**
9:00 – 9:30 [30 mins]	Review of Day 1 and overview of Day 2	United Nations
9:30 – 10:30 [60 mins]	**Part 4 (Training):** How investments are structured	United Nations
10:30 – 10:45 [15 mins]	Coffee break	
10:45 – 11:45 [60 mins]	**Part 5 (Training):** SDGs & Impact • the SDG/impact finance landscape: the continuum of actors and why SDG alignment matters for private finance • practical approaches to SDG impact assessment and strengthening project investment readiness (including using the DESA STAIRS tool)	United Nations
11:45 – 12:00 [15 mins]	Sum-up/reflections	All participants
12:00 – 13:00 [60 mins]	Networking lunch	All participants
Afternoon: How to present and pitch investment opportunities		
13:00 – 13:45 [45 mins]	**Part 6a (Training):** Presentation and pitching: • How to present / pitch projects and opportunities (best practices) • Example of pitch deck template (with questionnaire incorporated to emphasise investability and bankability)	United Nations
13:45 – 14:45 [60 mins]	**Part 6b (Workshop):** Review a selection of (1–3) projects to stimulate discussion and feedback on: • Whether the projects meet the requirements for investability and bankability as discussed on Day 1 • What more needs to be done to make the projects investable and bankable • Whether the presentation styles adhere to some of the best practices discussed earlier today	All participants
14:45 – 15:00 [15 mins]	Coffee break	
15:00 – 15:15 [15 mins]	Sum-up/reflections	All participants
15:15 – 15:30 [15 mins]	Presentation of certificates	All participants

Annex II: List of Participants

No.	Name of Participant	Title	Affiliation
1.	Mr. Vincent Otim	Commercial Director	Absa Bank Seychelles Limited
2.	Ms. Nathalia Lawen	Economist (Services Renewable Resources and Alternative Energy)	Central Bank of Seychelles (CBS)
3.	Ms. Janice Bristol	Product Development Manager	Department of Tourism
4.	Ms. Astride Camille	Product Diversification Officer	Department of Tourism
5.	Ms. Annabelle Adrienne	Business Development Manager	Enterprise Seychelles Agency
6.	Ms. Camilla Estico	Investment & Tourism Attaché	Government of Seychelles
7.	Mr. Wilven Alcindor	Principal Project Officer	Industrial Estates Authority
8.	Ms. Sara Marguerite		MCB
9.	Mr. Nelson Jude Charles	Renewable Resources and Alternative Energy	Ministry of Environment, Climate, Energy, and Natural Resources
10.	Mr. George Uzice	Renewable Resources and Alternative Energy	Ministry of Environment, Climate, Energy, and Natural Resources
11.	Ms. Natalie Edmond	Principal Secretary for Trade	Ministry of Finance, National Planning, and Trade
12.	Ms. Sara Estico Calderin	Economist (Renewable Resources and Alternative Energy; Department of Environment)	Ministry of Fisheries and Agriculture of Seychelles
13.	Mr. Elvis Octave	Chief Technical Advisor EM	Ministry of Transport
14.	Ms. Adrianna Bistolet	Senior Credit Officer	Nouvobanq
15.	Ms. Kelly Naidoo	Head of Corporate& SME	Seychelles Commercial Bank (SCB)
16.	Ms. Annike Faure	Project Manager	Seychelles Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust (SeyCCAT)
17.	Mr. Nigel Hoareau	Chief Operations Officer	Seychelles Credit Union (SCU)
18.	Ms. Veronica Alphonse-Uzice	Assistant Manager Aquaculture	Seychelles Fishing Authority
19.	Ms. Anna Banane	Marketing Executive and Social Media Manager	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
20.	Ms. Lilianne Desir	Senior Marketing Executive	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
21.	Ms. Leah Elizabeth	Marketing Executive	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
22.	Ms. Alice Frichot	Assistant Marketing Executive	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
23.	Ms. Alexendra Gerry-Laurence	Marketing Executive	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
24.	Mr. Roland Laljee	Director Investment Promotion	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
25.	Ms. Taryn Mondon	Marketing Executive	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
26.	Ms. Anne Rosette	Chief Executive Officer	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
27.	Ms. Vivienne Volcere	Investment Analyst	Seychelles Investment Board (SIB)
28.	Ms. Wendy Boniface	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	Seychelles Licensing Authority (SLA)
29.	Mr. Xavier Estico	Chief Executive Officer	Seychelles National Institute for Science, Technology, and Innovation (NISTI)
30.	Ms. Brigitte Ally	Project Analyst	Seychelles Revenue Commission
31.	Ms. Haaijra Jumaye	Development Coordination Officer	UN Resident Coordinator's Office Mauritius and Seychelles
32.	Ms. Nan Li-Collins	Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise	UNCTAD
33.	Mr. Jason Munyan	Economic Affairs Officer	UNCTAD
34.	Mr. Alex Yew	Senior Adviser	UNCTAD
35.	Ms. Preethi Sushil Nair	Programme Analyst	UNDP Seychelles
36.	Ms. Malshini Senaratne	Senior Lecturer and Assistant Head of Department	UniSey
Remote participants			
37.	Mr. Nicolo Capomacchia	Consultant	UN DESA
38.	Ms. Sandrine Dodard	Staff Assistant	UNCTAD
39.	Ms. Natalia Guerra	Officer-in-Charge, Investment Promotion Section	UNCTAD
Additional participants for launch of investment guide			
	Mr. Vinsent Perera	Attorney General	Attorney General Office
	Mr. Lyu Liangzhong	Counsellor for Economic and Commercial Affairs	Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of Seychelles
	Ms. Candice Tang	Second Secretary	Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of Seychelles
	Mr. Paul Robert	Director, Policy, Research, and Statistics	Financial Services Authority
	Mr. Tony Imaduwa	Principal Secretary for Energy and Climate Change	Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change, and Environment
	Mr. Pierre Laporte	Minister for Finance, Economic Planning, Trade, and Investment	Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning, Trade, and Investment
	Mr. Keven Nancy	Principal Secretary for Agriculture	Ministry of Fisheries, Agriculture, and Blue Economy
	Mr. Patrick Andre	Principal Secretary for the Department of Land Transport	Ministry of Transport
	Mr. Christian Fleischer	Energy Engineer	Public Utilities Corporation
	Ms. Lynze Marimba	Director of Strategic Business Development	Seychelles Port Authority
	Mr. Samuel Rosette	Events Coordinator	Seychelles Tourism Board

Annex III: Media Gallery

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Day 1: Training on bankability of energy transition projects. Our workshop in collaboration with UNCTAD is officially underway sc

Hosted by the Seychelles Investment Board (SIB), brought together key stakeholders from across the public and private sectors to explore how Seychelles can strengthen its investment pipeline and develop more bankable, high-impact projects.

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Great engagement so far from participants as we continue building practical knowledge for stronger, smarter investments.

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Two days of insightful discussions with UNCTAD, diving into the bankability of energy transition projects and what it means for Seychelles' investment future. Great conversations, shared expertise, and a collective step forward in building sustainable, investment-ready opportunities.

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Workshop targets investment gaps in energy sector

Discussions highlighted challenges faced by small island states, including limited market size and financing constraints, while exploring practical solutions, such as project finance and regional collaboration.

by K. Doku

The Seychelles Investment Board (SIB), in partnership with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), is organising a two-day capacity-building workshop on the bankability of energy transition projects. The workshop will be held on 8 and 9 April 2026, at the Kempinski Seychelles Resort in Baie Lazare, Mahe.

The workshop forms part of a broader three-year initiative involving five beneficiary countries: Seychelles, Tanzania, Malawi, Ethiopia and Namibia, aimed at strengthening national capacity to attract investment in renewable energy and sustainable development. In Seychelles, the programme focuses on improving investment readiness, enhancing stakeholder coordination, and supporting the development of bankable, investor-ready projects.

The workshop brought together a wide cross-section of stakeholders from both the public and private sectors. Among those in attendance were the Secretary of State for Science, Technology and Innovation, Xavier Estico; the Principal Secretary for Trade and Investment, Natalie Edmond; senior representatives from the Seychelles Investment Board; and officials from various government ministries and agencies.

Representatives from UNCTAD, including Senior Advisor Alex Yew and Economic Affairs Officer Jason Munyan, were also present, alongside participants from financial institutions, the private sector, and other key organisations involved in investment and energy development. Organisers noted that this diverse participation is intended to encourage dialogue, strengthen collaboration, and ensure that multiple perspectives are considered in advancing the country's energy transition.

Opening the workshop, SIB Chief Executive Officer Anne Rosette described the initiative as part of a long-term collaboration between the Government of Seychelles and UNCTAD. She noted that the partnership began several years ago and has continued to evolve in support of the country's energy transition objectives.

- *Economic Affairs Officer Jason Munyan*

- *SIB CEO Anne Rosette*

- *Senior Advisor Alex Yew*

"This collaboration began with a shared vision for a more sustainable future," she said, adding that UNCTAD's role in "guiding, supporting, and facilitating impactful energy transition initiatives" has strengthened national efforts in the sector.

Ms. Rosette said that for Seychelles, the transition to renewable energy is both an economic and environmental priority. "As a small island state, Seychelles has always understood the importance of reducing its reliance on fossil fuels and transitioning towards cleaner energy," she said.

She reiterated the country's national target, noting, "by 2030, we aim to generate at least 50 percent of our energy from renewable resources."

She pointed to existing initiatives such as the floating solar photovoltaic project at Providence Lagoon as an example of progress already underway, describing it as "a home-grown initiative that demonstrates innovation, leadership, and Seychelles' determination to lead by example."

According to the CEO, the workshop is intended to move beyond policy discussion and focus on implementation. "Today's training is aimed at shaping ideas into real projects," she said. "It provides technical knowledge to equip each of you with the tools to design, identify, and promote bankable renewable energy projects."

The agenda includes sessions on project finance, investor and lender perspectives, risk management, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and investment pitching.

Facilitating the session, UNCTAD Senior Advisor Alex Yew outlined the workshop's structure and objectives, emphasising its practical orientation. He said the training would cover both theoretical and applied aspects of project finance.

"We'll share our experiences of what we've seen in other developing markets and on what it takes to raise investments and to raise bank debt for energy transition projects," he said.

Mr. Yew noted that understanding the perspectives of both investors and banks is critical. "You want to put yourself in the shoes of an investor and put yourself in the shoes of a banker," he said, adding that this approach helps in structuring projects that meet financing requirements.

He also highlighted the importance of effective communication, stating that even well-designed projects can fail to secure financing if they are not properly presented. "A lot of people have very good ideas, but if they don't present them properly, they don't get the financing they need," he said.

A central theme of the workshop is project finance as a mechanism for funding large-scale infrastructure and energy projects. Mr. Yew explained that project finance focuses on the cash flows generated by a project rather than the balance sheet of the sponsoring entity.

"Project financing is a technique that tells the banks and investors to focus on this project, and focus on the cash flows that this project can generate," he said.

He added that this approach can enable governments and companies to undertake multiple projects by attracting external financing. "If each project is well structured... You can really raise a lot of money for these projects," he said.

Mr. Yew also discussed public-private partnerships (PPPs) as a commonly used form of project finance, particularly for public infrastructure. He noted that PPPs can provide financial flexibility and facilitate risk sharing between the public and private sectors.

However, he cautioned that such models also involve trade-offs. "It's more expensive due to the risk transfer," he said, explaining that governments must weigh the cost of private financing against the benefits of transferring project risks.

Throughout the sessions, participants engaged in detailed discussions on the structural challenges facing small island developing states such as Seychelles. Issues such as limited market size, constrained access to finance, and gaps in technical expertise were highlighted as key barriers to attracting large-scale investment in energy transition projects. Participants noted that the relatively small domestic market can make it difficult to achieve economies of scale, which in turn affects the attractiveness of projects to international investors.

During the interactive Q&A segments, participants raised concerns about how these constraints can be addressed in practice. Participants highlighted that small economies often struggle to generate sufficient scale to attract investors, prompting discussion on possible solutions. In response, facilitators pointed to examples from other regions, including the Caribbean, where countries have collaborated to strengthen their investment appeal.

Reference was made to the Caribbean Association of Investment Promotion Agencies (CAIPA), through which countries share best practices, coordinate efforts, and promote the region collectively as an investment destination. This type of regional approach was presented as a potential model for overcoming market size limitations.

Concerns were also raised about the time required for procurement processes, particularly in PPP arrangements, with participants noting that delays could result in missed opportunities in fast-moving sectors. Facilitators acknowledged these challenges but stressed the importance of maintaining robust processes to ensure transparency and effective risk management.

In a media interview, UNCTAD economic affairs officer Jason Munyan said the workshop represents the second phase of collaboration between UNCTAD and SIB, following earlier work on stakeholder consultations and strategy development. "We're very happy to be in Seychelles," he said, noting that the current phase focuses on building capacity to support specific projects.

"Our goal is to work with the Seychelles government to be able to identify specific projects to further develop and pitch to international investors," he added.

Mr. Munyan said discussions during the workshop include investor and lender perspectives, project finance, risk management, and approaches to marketing investment opportunities. He also emphasised the importance of collaboration across sectors. "It's very important to be able to work with these different stakeholders from different ministries and from the private sector as well," he said.

He noted that Seychelles faces distinct challenges compared to other countries in the programme. "Each of these countries is very different. In the Seychelles, one of the challenges is the market size and how to address that," he said.

He also highlighted the role of data in investment decision-making, stating that investors require reliable information to assess project viability. "They need reliable data; what the market looks like, what the pricing looks like, so that they can properly analyse forecasts of profitability," he said.

In a separate media interview, SIB CEO Anne Rosette pointed to gaps in project preparation and financing as key constraints to investment. She expressed a need to strengthen expertise in developing and financing projects, noting that the workshop aims to address these gaps.

Ms. Rosette also highlighted the importance of having a pipeline of investment-ready projects. "We are not seeing enough projects that are ready, projects that are already prepared," she said, adding that this limits the country's ability to attract investment.

She further noted that access to appropriate financing remains a challenge, including understanding "what types of financing exist" and how they can be applied to local projects.

At the same time, she pointed to the country's strengths, including political stability, existing policy frameworks, and its geographic position. She described the country as "an environment that is safe with good policies and resources that we can be use," while acknowledging the need to continue strengthening investment conditions.

The workshop also includes practical exercises, such as project reviews and pitching sessions, in which participants assess investment readiness and receive feedback on how to improve project design and presentation.

The initiative is intended to have a long-term impact beyond the two-day training. Follow-up activities are expected to track progress, support project development, and address remaining gaps identified during the sessions.

The Seychelles Investment Board has indicated that it will continue working with UNCTAD and other partners to strengthen the country's capacity to develop bankable projects and attract sustainable investment, as part of its broader efforts to advance the national energy transition and economic development agenda.

- *SS Xavier Estico during his intervention*

- *Group Photo*


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A capacity-building workshop on the Bankability of Energy Transition in Seychelles is being held at Kempinski Seychelles Resort by the Government of Seychelles, through the Seychelles Investment Board in collaboration with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).
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