



United Nations  
Department of Economic and Social Affairs



## Preparing for the 2016 Development Cooperation Forum

# Development cooperation for a new era: Making the renewed global partnership for sustainable development a reality

4-6 November 2015

Kampala, Uganda

## Symposium Programme

A new global agenda for sustainable development has just been adopted, and the role of development cooperation looms large. Development cooperation will be a main pillar of the global partnership for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, to which all countries aspire. The DCF Uganda High-level Symposium will provide a first opportunity for the range of actors to discuss development cooperation for the new agenda: ways to motivate, support and further shape development cooperation as a critical 'means of implementation'.

The Symposium will focus on two overarching questions: How will we align development cooperation policies and interventions for implementing the SDGs? And how will we monitor and review the impact of development cooperation on the new sustainable development agenda? To break-down these questions the Symposium will discuss concrete policy issues in each session, with the goal to develop common perspectives and actionable recommendations. Particular attention will also be placed on the challenges and opportunities in this context for development cooperation in Africa. Overall, the symposium will focus on:

### Adjusting development cooperation for implementing the SDGs

- Towards integrated, aligned and coherent implementation of the SDGs
- Promoting technology facilitation and capacity building, and addressing gaps in technology, science and innovation

### Monitoring and reviewing development cooperation for sustainable results

- Assessing development cooperation at country level and putting into practice country-driven monitoring and reporting frameworks
- Following-up and reviewing development cooperation at local level, including citizen-based monitoring
- Monitoring development cooperation of the private sector, other non-state actors and blended financing

The Symposium will produce concrete policy guidance on development cooperation in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on financing for sustainable development. The deliberations will also feed the preparations for the 2016 high-level meeting of the Development Cooperation Forum and other functions of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, which has a major role in the follow-up of the 2030 Agenda at global level.

## PRE-MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER

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**8:00 AM – 7:00 PM**

**REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

OLD RECEPTION

(Registration is also open on Tuesday, 3 November at 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM and on Thursday 5 November at 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM)

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**WORKSHOP 1**

**COUNTRY RESULTS FRAMEWORKS – FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE**

**10:30 AM - 12:30PM**

**Moderator:** Mr. Navid Hanif, Director, OESC/UNDESA

SHEENA HALL

**Presenter:** Ms. Elaine Venter, consultant and representatives of the GPEDC Initiative on Results and Mutual Accountability

The success of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development depends on the ability of development actors to deliver long lasting and people-driven development results in all areas covered by the SDGs. Country results frameworks are an important vehicle to identify the outcomes and impact of development cooperation. Many African countries possess significant experience in setting-up and using country results frameworks. The workshop will discuss how to design, implement and use country results frameworks to support integration of 2030 Agenda in line with national development priorities.

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**12:30 PM – 2:00 PM**

**LUNCH**

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**WORKSHOP 2**

**ADOPTING AND IMPROVING NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
COOPERATION POLICIES FOR THE SDGS**

**2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**Moderator:** Mr. Alessandro Motter, Senior Advisor (Economic and Social Issues), Inter-Parliamentary Union

SHEENA HALL

**Presenter:** Mr. Matthew Martin, Director, Development Finance International

National development cooperation policies (NDCPs) are a vital instrument for development financing and accountability for development results. Many countries that depend on external resources do not have full-fledged NDCPs in place, or have struggled with their adoption or operationalization. The workshop will discuss these challenges and aim to formulate concrete policy advice to link NDCPs to the SDGs and 2030 Agenda, including the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on financing sustainable development. The conclusions will be presented in the DCF Uganda High-level Symposium in session 1, on adapting national development cooperation interventions to support progress on the new sustainable development agenda.

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**4:00 PM – 4:30 PM      COFFEE BREAK**

EXHIBITION TENT

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## **PREPARING FOR THE SYMPOSIUM: CONSULTATIONS IN STAKEHOLDER GROUPS**

**4:30 PM – 6:30 PM      CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS, PARLIAMENTARIANS AND LOCAL  
MAJESTIC HALL      AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS**

**5:00 PM – 6:30 PM      LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES  
MEERA HALL**

**6:30 PM – 8:00 PM      WELCOME COCKTAIL RECEPTION**

MCRL POOLSIDE

Hosted by **Hon. Mr. Sam Kahamba Kutesa**, Minister of Foreign Affairs  
and President of the 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly

Special remarks by **Mr. Patrick Makau**, Kenyan runner and former  
marathon world record holder, UNEP's Goodwill Ambassador and Clean  
Air Patron

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## **SYMPOSIUM**

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**CO-CHAIRS:**

**Hon. Mr. Matia Kasaija**, Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic  
Development, Uganda

**Mr. Wu Hongbo**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social  
Affairs, United Nations (UNDESA)

**THURSDAY, 5 NOVEMBER**

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**8:15 AM – 9:00 AM      COFFEE BREAK**

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## INTRODUCTORY SESSION

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9:00 AM – 9:15 AM

### WELCOME REMARKS

ALL PLENARY  
SESSIONS WILL  
BE HELD IN THE  
VICTORIA  
BALLROOM

**Hon. Mr. Fred Jachan Omach**, Minister of State (General Duties),  
Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Uganda

### REFLECTIONS ON THE UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT AND THE DCF'S CONTRIBUTIONS

**H. E. Mr. Oh Joon**, President of the Economic and Social Council,  
Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York

### EXPECTATIONS FOR THE SYMPOSIUM

**Mr. Wu Hongbo**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social  
Affairs, United Nations (UNDESA)

### MASTER OF CEREMONY

**Dr. Ronnie Mich Egwang**, Founder Eclipse Marketing and Events, Africa

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## SETTING THE SCENE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

### POLITICAL CAFÉ

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The Addis Ababa Agenda for Action (AAAA) on financing sustainable development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will shape development cooperation for years to come. Panelists will provide an overview of the main implications anticipated, especially for mobilising and optimizing resources and for the follow-up and review of implementation. This session sets the stage for the Symposium by taking a look at the incentives and actions needed to change development cooperation, in its various dimensions, for achieving the SDGs.

**Chair: Mr. Wu Hongbo**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social  
Affairs, United Nations (UNDESA)

**Moderator: Mr. Navid Hanif**, Director of Office for ECOSOC Support and  
Coordination, United Nations (UNDESA)

### MOBILIZING AND OPTIMIZING RESOURCES FOR A NEW AGENDA

**H. E. Mr. George Talbot**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Representative of Guyana to the United Nations, co-facilitator  
for the preparatory process of the Third International Conference on  
Financing for Development

### MONITORING PROGRESS OF DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AND INCENTIVIZING KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND MUTUAL LEARNING

**Ms. Angela Bester**, International Consultant, author of DCF scoping study  
on implications for monitoring, review and accountability for  
development cooperation

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**SESSION I****10:30 AM – 11:45 AM****VICTORIA  
BALLROOM****ADJUSTING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SDGS: WHERE DO WE STAND?**

The SDGs are multidimensional (social, economic, environmental) and interconnected global goals that will require translation into priorities and action at all levels. Multi-sectorial, aligned and coherent policy responses will be especially important at the national level.

However, many countries are not well equipped to implement policies that have to be coordinated across many sectors. Similarly, external assistance to developing countries is mostly organised along sector lines between individual line ministries. Operational approaches and mind-sets will need to change, building on examples of innovative policy making, such as nexus and whole of government approaches as well as the evolution of policy coherence for development. This session examines the state of play in implementing development cooperation interventions that are multi-sectorial, aligned and coherent with global development goals.

*Focus questions:*

- 1. What policy changes need to be made at the country level to align development cooperation interventions with the SDGs as part of national development plans and strategies? What are the main challenges?*
- 2. What are specific examples and emerging good practices that are already in place at the country level?*
- 3. How can policy coherence for development, between development cooperation and other, non-development cooperation related policies, be prioritized, within and across governments?*

**Chair and moderator: Ms. Maria Kiwanuka**, Adviser to the President, Uganda

*INTERACTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION*

- **H. E. Mr. Shafiq Ahmad Qarizada**, Deputy Minister of Finance (Policy), Afghanistan (Question 1)
- **Ms. Raquel Mayer**, Director for Development Cooperation and International Fora, Agency of International Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mexico (Question 2)
- **Mr. Pio Wennubst**, Assistant Director General, Global Cooperation, Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation (Question 2)
- **Mr. Adriano Campolina**, Chief Executive Director, ActionAid International (Question 3)

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**11:45 AM – 12:00 PM****COFFEE BREAK****EXHIBITION TENT**

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**12:00 PM – 1:00 PM****OFFICIAL OPENING****VICTORIA  
BALLROOM**

**Chair: Hon. Mr. Fred Jachan Omach**, Minister of State (General Duties), Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Uganda

**H. E. Mr. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni**, President of the Republic of Uganda

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**1:00 PM – 1:15 PM      GROUP PHOTOGRAPH**

*IN FRONT OF VICTORIA  
BALLROOM*

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**1:15 PM – 2:30 PM      BUFFET LUNCH**

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**1:15 PM – 2:15 PM      DCF ADVISORY GROUP LUNCHEON MEETING (CLOSED MEETING)**

ROYAL PALM

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**SESSION II**

**ADJUSTING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION FOR IMPLEMENTING  
THE SDGs IN PRACTICE: THE WAY FORWARD**

**2:30 PM – 4:00 PM**

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This session showcases challenges and opportunities for development cooperation to contribute to more aligned, integrated and coherent approaches for implementing the SDGs at the national and international level. This session builds on the previous session and aims to identify key policy messages and best practices for the initial phases of SDG implementation. The focus of the debate will be on what actions are required to transition towards successful implementation of the SDGs in the short- to medium-term in all countries.

*Focus questions:*

- 1. What practical changes will need to be made at the country-level to adapt development cooperation interventions towards aligned, integrated and coherent ways of achieving the SDGs? What are main challenges?*
- 2. How can development cooperation actors support countries in adjusting their development cooperation interventions towards implementing the SDGs?*
- 3. What specific challenges and opportunities for adjusting development cooperation interventions for implementing the SDGs do African countries face? What are synergies between Agenda 2030 and the African Union Agenda 2063?*

**Chair: Mr. Wu Hongbo**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations (UNDESA)

**Moderator: Ms. Brenda Killen**, Acting Director of the Development Cooperation Directorate, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

*INTERACTIVE PANEL AND TABLE DISCUSSION*

- **H. E. Mr. Kengen Jakor Beyo**, Deputy Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, South Sudan (Question 1)
  - **H. E. Mr. Jeroen Verheul**, Ambassador at large for Foreign Trade and International Development Cooperation, Netherlands (Question 2)
  - **Mr. Mehmet Süreyya Er**, Vice President, Turkish International Cooperation and Development Agency (TIKA) (Question 2)
  - **Mr. David Mehdi Hamam**, Director, United Nations Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) (Question 3)
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4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

COFFEE BREAK

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**SESSION III**

**PROMOTING TECHNOLOGY FACILITATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING  
BY ADDRESSING GAPS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION**

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

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Technology facilitation and capacity building are key means of implementing the SDGs. Yet, creating technology and building capacity is challenging for developing countries, given underlying gaps regarding science, technology and innovation. The Addis Ababa Action Agenda has established a Technology Facilitation Mechanism and introduced a chapter in the financing for development follow-up process on science, technology and innovation as well as capacity building. This session will assess how development cooperation specifically can support technology facilitation and capacity building, for instance by providing resources or institutional structures.

*Focus questions:*

1. How can development cooperation contribute to building long-term capacity for science, technology and innovation for implementing the SDGs?
2. What are specific challenges or innovative ways to realize and sustain innovative practices in building long-term capacity for science, technology and innovation for implementing the SDGs?

**Chair: Hon. Mr. Fred Jachan Omach**, Minister of State (General Duties), Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Uganda

**Moderator: Mr. Zitouni Ould-Dada**, Head of Technology Unit, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

**PRESENTATION**

*Laying the ground for the 2030 Agenda - The role of development cooperation in promoting technology facilitation and capacity building*

**Presenter: Mr. Xiaohua Zhang**, Senior Programme Officer, Climate Change Support Team, Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary General

**INTERACTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION**

- **Mr. Arun Kumar Sahu**, Joint Secretary, Development Partnership Administration, Ministry of External Affairs, India (Question 1)
  - **Mr. Jorge Chediak**, Director, United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (Question 1)
  - **H. E. Mr. Ham-Mukasa Mulira**, Senior Presidential Adviser on Information Communication Technology, Republic of Uganda (Question 2)
  - **H. E. Mr. Imran Ahmad**, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on the Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology (Question 2)
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**6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**     **OFFICIAL DINNER WITH LIVE MUSIC**

LAKESIDE GARDEN

Hosted by **H. E. Mr. Ruhakana Rugunda**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda

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**FRIDAY, 6 NOVEMBER**

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**MONITORING, REVIEW AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION**

**9:00 AM – 9:30 AM**     **RECAP OF DAY 1**

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Key findings of day 1 from the perspective of a small number of participants will be presented.

**Chair: H. E. Mr. Oh Joon**, President of the Economic and Social Council, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York

**H. E. Ms. Susan Eckey**, Ambassador of Norway to the Republic of Uganda

**Hon. Mr. Felix Mutati**, Member of Parliament, Zambia

**Mr. Charles Lwanga-Ntale**, African Region Director, Development Initiatives

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**SESSION IV**  
**9:30 AM – 11:00 AM**

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**ASSESSING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AT COUNTRY LEVEL AND MAKING COUNTRY-DRIVEN MONITORING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORKS WORK IN PRACTICE**

Using and strengthening country-led monitoring and results is a pre-condition for achieving sustainable development outcomes. Development actors have made strong commitments to adopt these frameworks as a common tool to assess performance. Yet, significant gaps remain in country-level monitoring and reporting and the use of country-led systems for development cooperation. This session will focus on the further efforts needed to clarify and operationalise these commitments and to specifically advance national monitoring and review of development cooperation. It will build on a pre-meeting technical workshop on country results frameworks.

*Focus questions:*

- 1. What can be done to make country-led monitoring and review of development cooperation and the use of results frameworks a reality?*
- 2. How can the SDGs be integrated into the country result frameworks for optimal results?*
- 3. How to ensure that external partners use existing country results frameworks instead of their own, parallel reporting tools?*
- 4. How to promote stronger engagement of all stakeholders in country-led monitoring and review of development cooperation and in the use of results frameworks?*



**Chair: H. E. Mr. Oh Joon**, President of the Economic and Social Council, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York

**Moderator: Mr. Richard Ssewakiryanga**, Uganda NGO Platform

**PRESENTATION**

*Towards integrated and country-driven results frameworks*

**Presenter: Ms. Elaine Venter**, Independent Consultant and Faculty Associate at Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences, University of Pretoria (South Africa)

**INTERACTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION**

- **Mr. Shib Nath Roy**, Joint Secretary, Economic Relations Division, Ministry of Finance of Bangladesh (Question 1)
- **Ms. Gladys Gharthey**, Head of the UN Systems Unit, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Ghana (Question 1)
- **H. E. Mr. Ezra Suruma**, Senior Advisor to the President of Uganda (Question 2)
- **Ms. Riikka Laatu**, Deputy Director-General, Department for Development Policy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland (Question 3)
- **H. E. Ms. Petra Bayr**, Member of Parliament, Austria (Question 4)

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**11:00 AM –  
11:30AM**

**COFFEE BREAK**

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**SESSION V**

**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

**FOLLOWING-UP AND REVIEWING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, INCLUDING CITIZEN-BASED MONITORING**

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Effective monitoring and accountability for development cooperation towards the 2030 agenda will have to enable country ownership and leadership, mutual learning and knowledge sharing. Frameworks at all levels will have to provide a balanced and inclusive platform for meaningful engagement of all stakeholders. The role of local actors, including mayors, regional governments, and especially citizens, in the monitoring and review of development cooperation is increasingly recognized as crucial to improve delivery and achieve lasting development results. Many African countries have demonstrated innovation and leadership in improving local-level monitoring of development cooperation.

*Focus questions:*

1. *What is the role of local and regional governments in monitoring and review of development cooperation towards the SDGs?*
2. *Which examples from the African region can demonstrate the potential of local-level monitoring in achieving development results?*
3. *What are key enablers of citizen-based monitoring of development cooperation and how can citizens be included in a meaningful way in implementing the SDGs?*

**Chair: Hon. Mr. Matia Kasaija**, Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Uganda

**Moderator: Mr. Johannes Krassnitzer**, UNDP ART Initiative (Articulation of Territorial Networks for Sustainable Human Development)

**PRESENTATION**

*Following-up and reviewing development cooperation at the local level*

**Presenter: Ms. Namhla Mniki-Mangaliso**, Executive Director, African Monitor

**INTERACTIVE PANEL AND TABLE DISCUSSION**

- **Mr. Luca Maestripieri**, Deputy Director General for Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy (Question 1)
- **Ms. Nomveliso Nyukwana**, Mayor of Emalahleni, South Africa (Question 2)
- **Mr. Youssouf Diakit **, Permanent Secretary, Association of Municipalities of Mali (Question 2)
- **Mr. Greg Lavender**, Uganda Country Director, Restless Development (Question 3)

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**1:00 PM – 2:30 PM**

**BUFFET LUNCH**

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**SESSION VI**

**2:30 PM – 4:00 PM**

**MONITORING THE PRIVATE SECTOR, OTHER NON-STATE ACTORS AND BLENDED FINANCING**

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Private and blended development cooperation are expected to strongly contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Yet, there is a lack of clarity on the definition, additionality, effectiveness and impact of these types of cooperation. Further analysis and inclusive dialogue are needed. This session contributes to the evolving understanding of the contribution that private and blended development cooperation can make to sustainable development by exploring conceptual and practical aspects of monitoring and reviewing private and blended development cooperation towards the 2030 Agenda.

*Focus questions:*

- 1. What could be criteria to measure the effectiveness and impact of private and blended development cooperation towards the 2030 Agenda?*
- 2. How can providers of these types of cooperation be encouraged to report on their effectiveness and impact?*
- 3. What are practical steps to inspire knowledge sharing and mutual learning and ensure integrated and coherent reporting on private and blended cooperation at all levels?*

**Chair:** **Mr. Wu Hongbo**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations (UNDESA)

**Moderator:** **Ms. Shari Spiegel**, Chief, Policy Analysis and Development Branch, Financing for Development Office, UNDESA

**PRESENTATION**

*Private and blended development cooperation: Assessing their effectiveness and impact for achieving the SDGs*

**Presenter:** **Mr. Matthew Martin**, Director, Development Finance International and **Ms. Amy Dodd**, Director, UK Aid Network

**INTERACTIVE PANEL AND TABLE DISCUSSION**

- **Mr. Michael O'Neill**, Assistant Secretary-General & Assistant Administrator, Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy, UNDP (Question 1)
- **Mr. Modibo Makalou**, Special Adviser, Office of the President, Mali (Question 1)
- **Mr. Jeroen Kwakkenbos**, EURODAD (Question 1)
- **Mr. Dominik Ziller**, Deputy Director General, Global processes, financing for development and effectiveness, Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany (Question 2)
- **Mr. Femi Oye**, Chief Executive Officer, Green Energy BioFuels (Question 2)
- **Mr. Humphrey Wattanga**, Senior Partner, Afcorp Investments (Question 3)

**SESSION VII**

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**4:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

**WRAPPING UP: KEY MESSAGES AND WAY FORWARD**

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**Chair:** **H. E. Mr. Oh Joon**, President of the Economic and Social Council, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York

**Moderator:** **Mr. Navid Hanif**, Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, United Nations (UNDESA)

**KEY MESSAGES ON ADJUSTING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION INTERVENTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SDGS**

**Mr. Vitalice Meja**, Executive Director, Reality of Aid Africa

**KEY MESSAGES ON MONITORING AND REVIEWING DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SDGS**

**Ms. Joan Atherton**, Senior Adviser, USAID

**FROM UGANDA TO BELGIUM: WHAT'S NEXT IN THE DCF DEBATES**

**Mr. Peter Moors**, Chief of Staff, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation Belgium

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**5:00 PM – 5:30 PM      CLOSING SESSION**

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**H. E. Mr. Oh Joon**, President of the Economic and Social Council, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, New York

**Mr. Wu Hongbo**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations (UNDESA)

**Hon. Mr. Matia Kasaija**, Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Uganda

**Right Hon. Mr. Ruhakana Rugunda**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda

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**6:30 PM – 8:30 PM      CULTURAL GALA DINNER**

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