INVITATION TO HIGH-LEVEL SIDE EVENT

“Smart Investment as a Recipe for Poverty Eradication”

United Nations HQ, New York

Thursday 9 February 2017 from 1:15 to 2:30pm (Conference Room 12)

Preamble:

Goal 1 of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goal calls for an end to poverty in all its manifestations. It also aims to ensure social protection for the poor and vulnerable, increase access to basic services and support people harmed by climate related extreme events and other economic social and environmental shocks.

Investments that lead to economic growth are not always synonymous with poverty eradication or even reduction. In fact un-targeted investments could lead to income inequality and hence accentuate poverty vice a vis through inflation. This event will take a snapshot of investments that could serve as a recipe or foundation for poverty eradication adding to the discourse of strategies being highlighted to achieve eradication of extreme poverty and sustainable development for all by 2030.

Featured Speakers and Special Guests:

1. Ambassador Phil Johnson (Ghana DPR to UN)
2. Hon Felix W Ortiz (New York State Assembly Deputy Speaker)
3. Fernando Torres (Senior Investment Manager UN Pension Fund)
4. President Joyce Banda (Former President of Malawi) Invited
5. Jovenel Moise (President of Haiti) Invited
6. Ms Caiyun Wang (Former Economic Officer Asia Development Bank and Senior Consultant Asia Development Bank)
7. Jennie Yeung (Honorary Chairman of Shenzhen Economic Commission)
8. Chancellor Uwaifo Aromose (BIFED)
9. Ashok Parameswaran (Vice President AIG Investments)
10. Barrister Ugozie Eze (Moderator)