

# Invitation to a side event to the ECOSOC Financing for Development (FfD) Forum

# Making sustainable finance work from the bottom up

Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 08.00-09.30 am United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 5

The Government of Sweden together with the Stockholm Sustainable Finance Centre (SSFC) cordially invite you to a panel discussion on how to tailor financial solutions to the needs of people on the ground.

The Paris Agreement and the Addis Agenda are clear: Finance flows need to be consistent with a pathway towards low greenhouse gas emissions and climate-resilient development. Mobilizing those 60 trillion US-Dollars UNEP-FI estimates are needed until 2050 to go towards decarbonization, adaptation and re-organizing global land-use does not come easy. In fact, the devil is often in the detail, and empirical studies show that it is not enough to mobilize finance. Rather, financial solutions work best when they are tailored to requirements of partner countries.

This event will draw from innovative solutions and experience from work in Uganda. The panelists will explore approaches to providing index insurance that avoid negative social impact, and discuss sustainable finance more broadly. They will look at the roles of different public and private actors in mobilizing finance for low-carbon and climate-resilient development.

## Welcoming remarks

H.E. Mr. Peter Eriksson, Minister for International Development Cooperation, Sweden

### Key note presentation

Mr. Matthew Osborne, PhD, Research Fellow, Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI)

#### **Panelists**

Mr. Magnus Billing, CEO, Alecta

Ms. Maria Håkansson, CEO, Swedfund

Mr. Jens Henriksson, CEO, Folksam

Mr. Arjan Verschoor, Professor, University of East Anglia

Ms. Albena Melin, Head of Multilateral Engagement, IFC

Ms. Camilla Barungi, Fintech and sustainability Entrepreneur, Uganda

#### Moderator

Ms. Cecilia Repinski, CEO Stockholm Green Digital Finance and SSFC Senior Advisor

