



HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON “INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO COMBAT ILLICIT FINANCIAL FLOWS AND STRENGTHEN GOOD PRACTICES ON ASSET RETURN”

PROGRAMME

10:00 - 10:40	<p style="text-align: center;">OPENING SEGMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garcés, <i>President of the General Assembly of the United Nations</i> • Ms. Inga Rhonda King, <i>President of the Economic and Social Council</i> • Mr. Yury Fedotov, <i>Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime</i> (Video message)
10:40 - 12:00	<p style="text-align: center;">INTERACTIVE PANEL I</p> <p>Taking stock on achievements of contemporary efforts to combat IFF and moving on</p> <p>The significantly negative impacts of IFFs on development outcomes have been known for some time, if only by order of magnitudes and general trends. The panel, representing a mix of academic, country and multilateral expertise and experiences with the design and promotion of existing initiatives to reduce IFFs and implement asset recovery and repatriation, will generate discussion on lessons learnt and core challenges yet to address. Taking stock on achievements of contemporary efforts to combat illicit financial flows.</p> <p>Moderator: Chantal Line Carpentier, <i>Chief of the UNCTAD New York Office of the Secretary General</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Víctor Martínez, <i>Minister of Finance of Guatemala</i> • Mr. Jens Frolich Holte, <i>Deputy Foreign Minister of Norway</i> • Ms. Mary Butler, <i>Criminal Division of the United States, Department of Justice</i> • Mr. Emmanuel Roux, <i>Special Representative of Interpol to the United Nations</i> • Mr. Alvin Mosioma, <i>Head of Tax Justice Network - Africa</i>
12:00 - 13:00	PLENARY SEGMENT
15:00 - 16:20	<p style="text-align: center;">INTERACTIVE PANEL II</p> <p>A global architecture to combat IFFs and strengthen recovery and return of illicit assets</p> <p>The United Nations’ role in facilitating multilateral cooperation to combat IFFs is an important stepping stone to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. This panel is expected to generate discussion on how best the United Nations System,</p>



	<p>in cooperation with all relevant stakeholders, can accelerate efforts to ensure an inclusive and effective global architecture to stem IFFs effectively and thereby help to meet commitments to the 2030 Agenda.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Emile van der Does de Willebois, <i>Coordinator StAR initiative</i></p> <p>Panelists: Professor Bolaji Olufunmileyi Owasanoye, <i>Chairman, Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission of Nigeria</i> Dr. Alex Cobham, <i>Executive Director of Tax Justice Network</i> Ms. Irene Ovonji-Odida, <i>Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation Commissioner</i> Ms. Elsa Gopala Krishnan, <i>Officer of UNODC</i> Ms. Pooja Rangaprasad, <i>Society for International Development, Policy and Advocacy Director</i></p>
16:20 - 17:30	PLENARY SEGMENT
17:30 - 18:00	<p>CLOSING REMARKS</p> <p>Ms. Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garcés President of the General Assembly of the United Nations</p>