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Structured Dialogue with Africa

3-6 APRIL 2018 | BAMAKO, MALI

side events

Parallel events will be organized in the margins of the Structured Dialogue. Interested country representatives are kindly invited to pre-register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/parallelsessions-en> by Tuesday, 3 April latest.

Day 2: Wednesday, 4 April 2018

1430 THE GREEN CLIMATE FUND INDEPENDENT EVALUATION UNIT (IEU)

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1600 Presentation on Evaluation of the GCF Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme and focused group discussions. For further details, please consult IUE's flyer available [here](#).

Venue: Salon Djenne

1600 AFDB SIDE EVENT

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1730 The African Development will organize a parallel event "TIME WITH AfDB" to provide an opportunity to the Regional Member Countries (RMC) clients to present their views on how they will like AfDB to work together with them on readiness activities support in Africa focusing on (1) country programming including pipeline development; (2) accreditation of direct access entities and (3) access to reliable climate information to support climate rationale for funding proposals.

The workshop will enable to identify what specific support area to prioritize and what assistance the RMC will need from the AfDB.

The workshop will be followed by a Happy Hour event from 1800 to 2000 sponsored by AfDB.

Venue: Salon Djenne

Day 3: Thursday, 5 April 2018

0900 UNFCCC INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS IN NEEDS AND ACCESS TO CLIMATE FINANCE

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1100 The Conference of the Parties (COP), by decision 5/CP.20, requested the secretariat to organize annual in-session workshops on long-term climate finance (LTF) through to 2020 and to prepare a summary report on the workshops for annual consideration

by the COP and the biennial high-level ministerial dialogues on climate finance.

According to decision 7/CP.22, the LTF in-session workshops in 2017 and 2018, with a view to scaling up climate finance for mitigation and adaptation, were to focus on experience and lessons learned in relation to:

1. Articulating and translating needs identified in country-driven processes into projects and programmes;
2. Roles of policies and enabling environments for mitigation and adaptation finance;
3. Facilitating enhanced access.

The main objective of the 2017 and 2018 in-session workshops is to facilitate technical and action-oriented discussions on the topics referred above and to generate concrete findings and conclusions to be considered by the COP. The outcomes will also inform the deliberations of the high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance in 2018. In this context, the GCF Structured Dialogue presents an excellent opportunity to engage with climate finance practitioners, listen to their views on the challenges they encounter in accessing climate finance and specific recommendations to address these challenges.

See further details for the UNFCCC informal consultations and guiding questions to be addressed in the session in the attached concept note.

For further details, please consult UNFCCC's flyer available [here](#).

Venue: Salon Djenne

Day 4: Friday, 6 April 2018

0930 WORLD RESOURCES INSTITUTE IN SESSION WORKSHOP

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1230 The GCF replenishment negotiations – which are expected to start end 2018/ early 2019 - will be a key opportunity for strengthening the performance of the GCF. The first experiences with GCF should be used to make improvements in the domain of governance, country ownership, financial resources and administrative issues. WRI is performing research on these topics and intends to publish its findings and recommendations in a working paper later this year. Part of the research is to capture views through a workshop with representatives from African countries, Accredited Entities and Climate Negotiators. Given limited meeting room capacity, this workshop is on invitation only.

The following topics will be key in the workshop:

1. How has the GCF operationalized country ownership, including through country programs and readiness support?
2. What are countries' experiences interacting with the GCF, and with the information they have received from the fund about new policies and developments?
3. What is the role of the GCF-secretariat as distinct from the role of the Board? Could the relationship between the two be made more efficient and effective?
4. What would be the most appropriate way to determine the level of financial support by the contributing countries?

Venue: VIP Salon, 15th Floor

Bilateral and Clinics Sessions

Parallel sessions and clinics will be organized on the margins of the Structured Dialogue, at the request of the countries.

Interested country representatives are kindly invited to pre-register by Tuesday, 03 April 2018 latest.