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<p>11:00 am – 12:30 pm</p>	<p>I 2-210 Reclaiming Policy Space for the Public: Presenting Spotlight on Sustainable Development 2017</p> <p>Center for Economic and Social Rights with Arab NGO Network for Development, FES New York, Society for International Development and Public Services International</p>	<p>I 2-220 Opportunities for MDBs and Member Nations to Align Energy Finance with Global Climate Goals</p> <p>Oil Change International with Climate Action Network International</p>	<p>I 2-250 Civil Society and the World Bank Group's Country Engagement Model</p> <p>Independent Evaluation Group with OXFAM and Bank Information Center</p>	<p>IMF HQ2 03B-838B From Investment Promotion to the Next Sovereign Debt Crisis: What Safeguards against Future Crises?</p> <p>Eurodad with African Forum and Network on Debt and Development, Debt Justice Norway, Erlassjahr.de, the Jubilee Debt Campaign (UK), and the Jubilee USA Network</p>

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Session Descriptions

Day 3 - Thursday, October 12, 2017

Global Ecosystem for Education: Strengthening Local Capacity and Learning Across Borders to Achieve SDG #4

9:00 am – 10:30 am

Room I 2-210

Sponsor: Teach for All

Panellists:

- Wendy Kopp (CEO and Co-Founder, Teach for All) (Moderator)
- Jaime Saavedra (Senior Director, Education, World Bank)
- Lane McBride (Partner and Managing Director, The Boston Consulting Group)

Reaching SDG#4 will require a different level of local capacity for scaling success. While investments on the ground are crucial and should remain the lion's share of external funding, it's unlikely that we'll achieve the necessary level of local capacity without creating learning infrastructures for building this capacity, fostering innovation, and spreading learning across borders.



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The Role of Effective Mediation in Achieving Sustainable Development: Learning from Community-Company Dialogue in Nicaragua

9:00 am – 10:30 am

Room I 2-220

Sponsor: Compliance Advisor Ombudsman (CAO), World Bank

Panellists:

- Gina Barbieri (Principal Specialist Ombudsman, CAO, World Bank) (Moderator)
- Rob Carss (Former Albania Country Director, Bankers Petroleum Company)
- Yves-Rene Jennings (Consultant, International Finance Corporation)
- Kristen Genovese (Senior Researcher, Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations / SOMO)

The session will feature a short film which vividly portrays how an effective company – community mediation process is allowing sugar cane workers in Nicaragua address a serious health problem. The film will be followed by a broader discussion between key stakeholders – representatives from companies, civil society, IFC, mediation professionals, and CAO – on opportunities and challenges for promoting successful dispute resolution at the local level.

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A Comparative Analysis of Financial Institution Safeguards

9:00 am – 10:30 am
Room I 2-250

Sponsor: Derecho, Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (DAR) with Ambiente y Sociedad, Fundar, Centro de Análisis and Fundación para el Desarrollo de Políticas Sustentables

Panellists:

- Ricardo Perez (Advocacy Specialist, DAR) (Moderator)
- Beatriz Olivera (Researcher, Fundar, Centro de Análisis)
- Nezir Sinani (Director, Europe, Bank Information Center) (TBC)

The countries of Latin America, without exception, are modifying the socio-environmental regulations for investments in response to the fall of prices of raw materials, therefore, is very important to know objectively, which banks have the best safeguard mechanisms to ensure that, in this context of regulatory weakening, their financing does not end up promoting projects that violate human rights. This panel will present a tool which aims to make an objective comparison of safeguards of the bank working in the region.

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Policy and Statutory Changes that Resolve Financial Crisis and Prevent Predatory Market Activity

9:00 am – 10:30 am
Room IMF HQ2 03B-838B

Sponsor: Jubilee USA Network

Panellists:

- Eric LeCompte (Jubilee) (Moderator)
- Tirivangani Mutazu (African Forum and Network on Debt and Development)
- Dr. Steven L. Schwarcz (Stanley A. Star Professor of Law & Business, Duke University School of Law)

As countries wrestle with inequality and financial crisis, what solutions are possible to resolve crisis and prevent "vulture fund" activity? In 2016 Congress passed legislation that overrides Puerto Rico bond contracts and forces all debt to be restructured in a "super" bankruptcy process. While new Collective Action Clauses help resolve future financial crises, nearly a trillion dollars is left in unprotected debt stock in the State of New York alone. How can possible legal changes in financial jurisdictions contribute to creating better processes to resolve crisis?

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Reclaiming Policy Space for the Public: Presenting Spotlight on Sustainable Development 2017

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Room I 2-210

Sponsor: Center for Economic and Social Rights with Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND), FES New York, Society for International Development and Public Services International

Panellists:

- Luise Rürup (Executive Director, FES New York) (Moderator)
- Zahra Bazzi (Program Manager, ANND)
- Stefano Prato (Managing Director, Society for International Development)
- Kate Donald (Director, Human Rights in Development, Center for Economic and Social Rights)
- Chris Lane (Special Representative to the United Nations, IMF)

This session will present findings and recommendations from the global civil society report 'Spotlight on Sustainable Development 2017'. From a cross-regional perspective, speakers will examine the impacts of privatization, PPPs and corporate capture on 2030 Agenda implementation, and explore the IFIs' role in policy coherence and tackling inequalities.

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Opportunities for MDBs and Member Nations to Align Energy Finance with Global Climate Goals

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Room I 2-220

Sponsor: Oil Change International with Climate Action Network International

Panellists:

- Dr Helena Wright (Senior Policy Advisor, E3G) (Moderator)
- Srinivas Krishnaswamy (CEO, Vasudha Foundation)
- Alex Doukas (Program Director, Oil Change International)

All MDBs have a vital role to play in supporting their members to meet agreed climate goal of 1.5C and SDGs. Concerned citizens across the globe through the Big Shift campaign are calling for an urgent and total shift away from fossil fuels. The session will present key action points.

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Civil Society and the World Bank Group's Country Engagement Model

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Room I 2-250

Sponsor: Independent Evaluation Group (IEG) with OXFAM and Bank Information Center

Panellists:

- Pablo Fajnzylber (Manager, Country Programs and Economic Management Unit, IEG) (Moderator)
- Ismail Arslan (Senior Evaluation Officer and Task Manager, IEG)
- Nadia Daar (Policy Adviser, Oxfam International)
- Katelyn Gallagher (Senior Associate, Bank Information Center)
- Ambar Narayan (Lead Economist, Poverty, World Bank)
- Gabriela Inchauste (Lead Economist, Poverty, World Bank)

Hosted by the IEG, this session will feature a discussion on how the WBG involves civil society in its country diagnostic and partnership process. Attendees will explore relevant issues and key steps defining the success of the Bank Group's country engagements, with a focus on strengthening civil society participation.

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From Investment Promotion to the Next Sovereign Debt Crisis: What Safeguards against Future Crises?

11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Room IMF HQ2 03B-838B

Sponsor: Eurodad with African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (Afrodad), Debt Justice Norway, Erlassjahr.de, the Jubilee Debt Campaign (UK), and the Jubilee USA Network

Panellists:

- Sarah-Jayne Clifton (Director, Jubilee Debt Campaign) (Moderator)
- Nancy Alexander (Director, Economic Governance Program, Heinrich Boell Foundation)
- Richard Kozul-Wright (Director, Division of Globalisation and Development Strategies, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development)
- Tirivangani Mutazu (Interim Head of Programmes, Afrodad)

We aim through this session to discuss the implications of the current lending trends to the Global South, looking specifically at the G20 Compact with Africa. Considering current debt indicators, trends, and debt sustainability problems, we will discuss existing options for debt restructurings and their alternatives.

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Youth, SDGs and Action: Using Data and Programming to Influence Change

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Room I 2-210

Sponsor: AIESEC International with Equal Measures 2030, UN Habitat and Plan International

Panellists:

- Kate Ezzes (Senior Director, Plan USA)
- Tatiana Landysheva (Manager, Youth4GG, AIESEC)
- Douglas Ragan (Chief, Youth and livelihoods, UN Habitat)
- Albert Motivans (Head of Data and Insights, Equal Measures 2030)

Youth is a crucial civil society actor as they are the ones who will be most impacted by the success or failure of the SDGs. This session will explore how young people themselves benefit from and contribute to inclusive development through data, programming and advocacy.



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Relief in East Africa: Ending Hunger and Building for the Future

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Room I 2-220

Sponsor: Save the Children UK

Panellists:

- Kevin Watkins (CEO, Save the Children UK)
- Simon Nyabwengi (National Director, Somalia, Worldvision)
- John Hurley (VP, Africa Region, Center for Global Development)
- Hugh Riddell (Representative, Country and Operation Services, World Bank)

An opportunity to explore short and long term options for improving development and humanitarian financing in East Africa. Drawing on the current drought crises in the Horn of Africa and Somalia's debt in particular, this event should identify ways to unlock funding which is desperately needed, but out of reach.

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Women20 Targeting Financial Inclusion in The G20 and Beyond: The Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Room I 2-250

Sponsor: National Council of German Women's Organizations with Association of German Women Entrepreneurs and Emerging Market Sustainability Dialogues

Panellists:

- Jennifer Bisceglie (CEO, W20 Working Group Chair: Strengthening W20, Quantum Leaps / W20 USA) (Moderator)
- Jeehan Abdul Ghaffar (Senior Adviser to the ED of Bahrain/Egypt/Iraq/Jordan, World Bank)
- Lynnette Nontobeko Magasa (CEO, Co-Chair, B20 Working Group on SMEs Leadership, Boniswa Corporate Solutions / B20 South Africa)
- Sarah Gammage (Director of Gender, Economic Empowerment and Livelihoods, International Center for Research on Women)
- Juliane Rosin (Executive Manager, W20 Germany)

The Women Entrepreneurs Financing Initiative (We-Fi) shall increase women's financial inclusion. The session will explore structure and objectives of the We-Fi. Consultation results from Women20 Germany on the We-Fi through its Delegates' network will be presented, and women's CSO and entrepreneurs' expectations towards the We-Fi will be discussed.



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The International Financial Institutions' Policies and the Arab Transition Economies

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Room IMF HQ2 03B-838B

Sponsor: Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND)

Panellists:

- Zahra Bazzi (Programs Manager, ANND) (Moderator)
- Hassan Sherry (PhD Candidate – SOAS, ANND)
- Naser Abdel Karim (Professor at Birzeit University, ANND)
- Bjoern Rother (Advisor, MCD Department and Mission Chief for Tunisia, IMF)
- Kevin Carey (Practice Manager, Macro Economics & Fiscal Management, World Bank)

Arab fragile transition economies have been the victims of random fiscal and monetary policy reforms which partly result from the IFIs' actions and recommendations ignoring the social implications and sometimes the concurrent political turmoil. It is key to tackle these socioeconomic disturbances with evidences and clear responses to crucial reports/projects/processes.

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Strengthening an Inclusive and Effective African-CSOs towards Realization of 2030 SDGs

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Room I 2-210

Sponsor: Avabe Initiative for Community Development (AICD)

Keynote Speaker:

- Momoh Jimoh Onipe Yussuff (Chairman and CEO, AICD)

Panellists:

- Adam Russell Taylor (Senior Communications Officer, World Bank) (Moderator)
- Joyce Rogers Halliday (Executive Director, International Association of African NGOs)
- Dorcas Tshuma (Founder, Triumphant Hand of Mercy Initiative – Africa)
- Yvan Yenda Ilunga (International Representative, Lueur d'Espoir)
- Dr. Ijeoma Victoria Ehieze (President / Consultant, Vicez Global Charities Inc.)
- Mories Atoki (Senior Manager, SDGs & Climate Change, PWC)

The session aims to increase the awareness of participants on the responsibility of African CSOs to be involved in all the aspects of the implementation of SDGs in their various countries while advocating for national, sub-regional and regional governments and institutions to ensure results for SDGs – Inclusiveness and Collaboration are now!



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Diagnosing Governance Challenges in the Extractive Sector: The Resource Governance Index and Beyond

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Room I 2-220

Sponsor: Natural Resource Governance Institute

Presenter:

- Liz McGrath (Director of Research & Data, Natural Resource Governance Institute)

Panellists:

- Daniel Kaufmann (President and CEO, Natural Resource Governance Institute) (Moderator)
- Bennett Freeman (Responsible Investment Expert, Chair of the Advisory Board of Global Witness and Member of the Board of Directors of the Natural Resource Governance Institute)
- Vera Songwe (Executive Director, UN Economic Commission for Africa)
- Thomas Baunsgaard (Tax and Extractives Lead, Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF)
- Isabel Munilla (Policy Lead for Extractive Industry Transparency, Oxfam America)

Effective governance of the oil, gas and mining sectors is a persistent challenge for resource-rich countries. What are the main challenges? How can we meet them? And who needs to be involved? We hope to answer these questions as we discuss the findings of the 2017 Resource Governance Index.

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Country Designations and Simultaneous Transition: Addressing Challenges on Public Health in a Changing Financing Landscape

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Room I 2-250

Sponsor: ACTION with AIDS Healthcare Foundation

Panellists:

- Hannah Bowen (Director, ACTION Secretariat) (Moderator)
- Marie Ko (Asia Bureau Advocacy Manager, AIDS Healthcare Foundation)
- Senator Lanre Tejuoso (Senate Committee on Health, Parliament of Nigeria)
- Mary Ann Torres (Executive Director, ICASO)
- Hristijan Jankuloski (Executive Director, Healthy Options Project Skopje)
- Danielle Heiberg (Senior Advocacy Manager, Global Health Council)
- Marelize Gorgens (Senior Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist, Health, Nutrition & Population, World Bank)

As low-income countries' economies grow, the eligibility threshold for some sources of multilateral financing will trigger simultaneous transition. Middle Income Countries (MICs), especially those designated upper-middle income, will then receive less development assistance irrespective of the public health crisis they are facing. The session will highlight how the designations by the World Bank have real consequences on the ground and the need to find alternative methods, how countries and global health funders are preparing and coordinating for the phase out of these resources, and how those that should be accountable work to fully address simultaneous transition.

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Can the IFIs Support Sustainable Growth, Reduce Inequality and Protect Labor Rights at the Same Time?

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Room IMF HQ2 03B-838B

Sponsor: New Rules for Global Finance with Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (NY Office) (FES), International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC), Development Finance International and UN Human Rights Commission, Special Rapporteur

Opening Remarks:

- Sara Burke (Senior Policy Analyst, FES)

Panellists:

- Peter Bakvis (Director, ITUC/Global Unions US) (Moderator)
- Jo Marie Griesgraber (Executive Director, New Rules for Global Finance)
- Juan Pablo Bohoslavsky (Independent Expert, United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner)
- Karim Trabelsi (Director of Policy, Tunisian General Trade Union)
- Jeffrey Franks (Director, IMF)

Cutting edge research on global financial rule-making institutions (focus: World Bank Group and IMF) explores nexus between Labor Policy and Human Rights, Sustainable Development and Reducing Inequality.

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