

Civil Society Policy Forum

April 9-12, 2019

Preliminary Schedule



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Day 4 - Friday, April 12, 2019

9:00 am – 10:30 am	<p>I2 - 210</p> <p>Building Resilience</p> <p>Supporting Climate Entrepreneurs in Africa: How Can Innovations Be Nurtured?</p> <p>World Resources Institute, Wallace Global Fund, DOEN Foundation</p>	<p>I2 - 220</p> <p>Engaged Communities</p> <p>Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity – Considering Risk Mitigation within World Bank Programming</p> <p>National LGBT Chamber of Commerce, Council for Global Equality, Gender Action, BIC Europe, HRC</p>	<p>I2 - 250</p> <p>Engaged Communities</p> <p>Lessons Learnt from Kamwenge - Fort Portal Road SCOPE Project</p> <p>Joy for Children</p>	<p>IMF HQ2 – 03B-838B</p> <p>Challenges to the Economy</p> <p>Stabilizing the CEMAC Region: Prerequisite to Successful Economic and Fiscal Reforms for Effective Debt Management</p> <p>The African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)</p>
10:30am – 11:00 am	<p>Coffee Break</p>	<p>I2-440</p> <p>Regional CSO Networking: North America (TBC)</p>		
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	<p>I2 - 210</p> <p>Challenges to the Economy</p> <p>Overcoming Challenges in Financial Access Through Coalition Building: The Together Project</p> <p>InterAction</p>	<p>I2 - 220</p> <p>Engaged Communities</p> <p>Update on the Environmental and Social Framework (ESF)</p> <p>OPCS, World Bank</p>	<p>I2 - 250</p> <p>Building Resilience</p> <p>Strengthening Civil Society Involvement in Climate Action Initiatives</p> <p>Climate Investment Funds, Climate Action Network (CAN)</p>	<p>IMF HQ2 – 03B-838B</p> <p>Challenges to the Economy</p> <p>Beneficial Ownership Data Verification: Bringing the Fight against Illicit Financial Flows into the 21st Century</p> <p>Transparency International, Tax Justice Network</p>
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	<p>I2 - 250</p> <p>Lunch Session - Meet the CSPF Working Group</p>			

<p>2:00 pm – 3:30 pm</p>	<p>I2 - 210 Building Resilience Why & How to Integrate Counter-Human Trafficking Strategies into all Development Programs Free the Slaves</p>	<p>I2 - 220 Challenges to the Economy Dealing with Sovereign Debt Distress: Case Studies, Causes and Solutions Jubilee USA Network, Latindad, Afrodad, Brot für die Welt</p>	<p>I2 - 250 Challenges to the Economy Taxes, Taxes, Taxes: Shifting the IFI Narrative to Progressive Gender-just Taxation Global Alliance for Tax Justice, Bretton Woods Project, Christian Aid, Tax Justice Network</p>	<p>IMF HQ2 – 03B-838B Challenges to the Economy Financing Growth and Development in the Arab Region: Fiscal Durability and Role of the Private Sector Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND), Tax Justice Alliance in the Arab Region</p>
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Session Descriptions

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Supporting Climate Entrepreneurs in Africa: How Can Innovations Be Nurtured?

World Resources Institute, Wallace Global Fund, DOEN Foundation

I2 - 210

African entrepreneurs are developing innovative solutions to address development issues in a climate challenged world. We bring together a panel of experts to discuss the challenges faced by these entrepreneurs and the ecosystem changes necessary to create change at scale.

9:00 am – 10:30 am

- Moderator: Sofia Faruqi, Manager New Restoration Economy, WRI
- Panelist 1: Ruka Sanusi, CEO, Ghana Climate Innovation Center
- Panelist 2: Arleen Mitchell, Managing Partner, MS Innovation Lab
- Panelist 3: Alan Miller, Climate Change Consultant, IFC (Retired)
- Panelist 4: Dora Nsuwa Cudjoe, Senior Operations Officer, World Bank

Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity – Considering Risk Mitigation within World Bank Programming

National LGBT Chamber of Commerce, Council for Global Equality, Gender Action, BIC Europe, HRC

I2 - 220

This session will explore the many ways that the World Bank can consider sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) within its programmatic and analytical agenda, to ultimately create a significant body of knowledge and best practices to mitigate risk against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (LGBTI) people.

- Moderator: Phil Crehan, Director, National LGBT Chamber of Commerce – Global Division
- Panelist 1: Irena Cvetkovik, Executive Director, Coalition MARGINS
- Panelist 2: Amarildo Fecanji, Executive Director, LGBTI Equal Rights Association for Western Balkans and Turkey
- Panelist 3: Elaine Zuckerman, President, Gender Action
- Panelist 4: Clifton Cortez, Global Adviser on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI), World Bank

Lessons Learnt from Kamwenge - Fort Portal Road SCOPE Project

Joy for Children
I2 - 250

In 2016, The World Bank approved Supporting Children's Opportunities through Protection and Empowerment (SCOPE) Project to mitigate risk of sexual violence and strengthen response for children. Coordinated by Ugandan Ministry of Gender and implemented by CSO, the project closed in January 2019. The session will to share and discuss lessons learnt.

- Moderator: Elana Berger, Executive Director, Bank Information Center
- Panelist 1: Diana J. Arango, Sr. Gender-Based Violence and Development Specialist, World Bank Group
- Panelist 2: Moses Ntenga, Founder and Executive Director, Joy for Children
- Panelist 3: Margarita Puerto Gómez, Social Development Specialist, World Bank Group
- Panelist 4: Noel Komunda, Project Coordinator, Supporting Children's Opportunities through Protection and Empowerment (SCOPE), Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Republic of Uganda.

Stabilizing the CEMAC Region: Prerequisite to Successful Economic and Fiscal Reforms for Effective Debt Management

The African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)
IMF HQ2 – 03B-838B

This session seeks to evaluate the challenging political climate in the CEMAC region and its potential to support the economic and fiscal reforms agendas in the face of mounting debt commitments in the region. It raises questions regarding the political stabilization of the CEMAC region and handling the inherent challenges.

- Moderator: Dr. Fanwell Bokosi, Executive Director, AFRODAD
- Panelist 1: Theophilus Jong Yungong, Senior Policy Analyst, AFRODAD
- Panelist 2: Tirivangani Mutazu, Senior Policy Analyst, AFRODAD
- Panelist 3: Martin Tsounkeu, Africa Development Interchange Network (ADIN) Cameroon
- Panelist 4: Joel, Toujas-Bernate, Assistant Director, IMF African Department

Overcoming Challenges in Financial Access Through Coalition Building: The Together Project

InterAction

I2 - 210

Bank de-risking can cause major operational challenges for non-profits delivering humanitarian and development assistance around the world. InterAction's Together Project is a hub of advocacy and solidarity for US-based NGOs to navigate the challenges in financial access. Leave this session with information and support useful for any organization operating internationally.

- Presenter: Princess Bazley-Bethea, Together Project Manager, InterAction
- Speaker Dawn Sikorski, General Counsel, Islamic Relief-USA

Update on the Environmental and Social Framework (ESF)

OPCS, World Bank

I2 - 220

This session aims to update Civil Society representatives on the first six months of implementation of the new Environmental and Social Framework (ESF) of the World Bank. As of October 1, 2018, the ESF applies to all new World Bank investment project financing.

- Moderator: Charlotte Vuyiswa McClain-Nhlapo, Global Disability Advisor, World Bank
- Speaker: Manuela Ferro, OPCS Vice President, World Bank
- Panelist 1: Charles Di Leva, Chief Environmental and Social Standards Officer, World Bank
- Panelist 2: John Kellenberg, ESF Implementation Team Manager, OPCS, World Bank

Strengthening Civil Society Involvement in Climate Action Initiatives

Climate Investment Funds, Climate Action Network (CAN)

I2 - 250

11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Over the past several decades, citizens and governments have mobilized to enact policies and support financing for climate change adaptation and mitigation. This session will bring together differing but complementary perspectives from civil society, governments, and development agencies on how to further involve civil society actors in global climate finance efforts.

- Moderator: Dora Cudjoe, Senior Operations Officer, CIF
- Panelist 1: Mafalda Duarte, Head, CIF
- Panelist 2: Keya Chatterjee, Executive Director, United States Climate Action Network (CAN)
- Panelist 3: Ladd Connell, Senior Environmental Specialist, Bank Information Center, and member of CIF's Stakeholder Advisory Committee

Beneficial Ownership Data Verification: Bringing the Fight against Illicit Financial Flows into the 21st Century

Transparency International, Tax Justice Network
IMF HQ2 – 03B-838B

This session will bring the fight against corruption to the 21st century by analyzing how to more effectively use technology and beneficial ownership data for anti-corruption and financial transparency accountability and the role that governments and international organizations such as the IMF can play in this debate.

- Moderator: Zosia, Project Leader
- Panelist 1: Max Heywood, Head of Policy and Advocacy, Transparency International
- Panelist 2: Andres Knobel, Tax Justice Network
- Panelist 3: Richard Berkhout, Senior Counsel, IMF
- Panelist 4: DFID Representative (TBC)

Why & How to Integrate Counter-Human Trafficking Strategies into all Development Programs

Free the Slaves
I2 - 210

Dealing with Sovereign Debt Distress: Case Studies, Causes and Solutions

Jubilee USA Network, Latindad, Afrodad, Brot für die Welt
I2 - 220

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

World-wide sovereign debt case studies will be presented. Debt experts discuss current debt distress facing countries. Causes, prevention measures and solutions will be debated. This panel will review policies including: debt restructuring and sustainability, tax and transparency, trade agreements and responsible borrowing and lending.

- Moderator: Eric LeCompte, Executive Director, Jubilee USA Network
- Panelist 1: Fanwell Kenala Bokosi, Executive Director, AFRODAD
- Panelist 2: Patricia Miranda, Advocacy Coordinator, Latindadd
- Panelist 3: Mark Flanagan, Assistant Director of the Strategy, Policy, and Review Department (SPR), IMF

Taxes, Taxes, Taxes: Shifting the IFI Narrative to Progressive Gender-just Taxation

Global Alliance for Tax Justice, Bretton Woods Project, Christian Aid, Tax Justice Network
I2 - 250

Global top income and corporate tax rates have continued to fall in a race to the bottom, while regressive taxes have been raised on a massive scale and investment flows increasingly flow via tax havens. This session examines this changing tax landscape from a feminist perspective and challenges the IFIs' role in shaping it.

- Moderator: Dereje Alemayehu, Executive Coordinator, Global Alliance for Tax Justice
- Panelist 1: Kathleen Lahey, Professor and Queen's National Scholar, Faculty of Law, Queen's University
- Panelist 2: Amanda Mukwashi, Chief Executive Officer, Christian Aid
- Panelist 3: Soren Ambrose, Policy Advisor – Fiscal Justice, ActionAid International
- Panelist 4: Serena Abi Khalil, Research and Programme Officer, Arab NGO Network for Development

Financing Growth and Development in the Arab Region: Fiscal Durability and Role of the Private Sector

Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND), Tax Justice Alliance in the Arab Region
IMF HQ2 – 03B-838B

There is an increasing popular discontent against IMF imposed and inspired policies in the Arab Region, especially with regards to their effects on decent work creation and tax justice. The session will discuss the impact of these policies and propose alternatives that enhance universal social protection and fairer tax systems.

- Moderator: Amal Nasser, Economist, Sanaa Center for Strategic Studies
 - Panelist 1: Nasr Abdel Karim, Financial expert /consultant, Arab NGO Network for Development
 - Panelist 2: Ahmad Awad, Director, Phenix Center for Economics and Informatics Studies
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- Panelist 3: Catriona Purfield, Assistant Director in the Middle East and Central Asia Department, IMF
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