The SDG Investment Fair is a global platform that connects stakeholders and brokers investment opportunities in emerging and frontier markets. It consists of matchmaking and investor exchanges, project pitches whereby bankable investment opportunities are presented to global investors, and capacity building activities.

UN-DESA organizes the Fair as a key activity in its broader effort to support countries’ mobilization of financing for their sustainable development and establishment of conducive policies and capacities.

The format will be a brief live presentation of investment projects by the participating government followed by an interactive moderated discussion with investors and experts on the opportunities presented. The Fair will also feature additional policy dialogues on relevant SDG financing topics.

Day 1: December 01, 2022

09:00-09:10 Opening remarks
Navid Hanif, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development (TBC)

09:10-09:40 SDGI Fair thematic LDC Day opening
Li Junhua, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (TBC)
Rabab Fatima, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (TBC)
VP UN Affairs, Microsoft (TBC)

09:40-10:30 Special Policy Roundtable: Fostering Private Infrastructure Investment in LDCs
This Policy Dialogue will discuss ways in which the Least Developed Countries can attract more private capital toward investment in sustainable infrastructure. During this session, representatives from the government, the international development community, and the private sector will discuss how to take advantage of impactful opportunities for LDCs, such as how to position themselves to be gateways to larger markets.

Panelists:
Marco Serena, Head of Sustainable Development Impact, Private Infrastructure Development Group (TBC)
Senior representative UNCDF, United Nations Capital Development Fund (TBC)
Investor, Meridiam (TBC)
2 government officials from LDC countries (Equatorial Guinea and Bangladesh/Cambodia)

Moderator
Senior representative OHRLLS (TBC)
10:30-10:40  Break

10:40-11:20  Investment Presentation by Ethiopia
Speakers to be confirmed by Ethiopia Investment Commission

Panelists:
Gregor Paterson-Jones, Expert Consultant (TBC)
Rahul Ghosh, Managing Director, ESG, Outreach & Research, Moodys (TBC)

Moderator
Esther Pan Sloane, Managing Director, Avenue Capital Group (TBC)

11:20-12:00  Investment Presentation by Malawi
Speakers to be confirmed by Malawi National Planning Commission

Panelists:
Michael Schlup, Head of Impact and ESG, Managing Director, Sail Ventures (TBC)
Joanne Manda, Senior SDG Investment Advisor, UNDP (TBC)

Moderator
Denise Odaro, Head of investor Relations & Sustainable Finance Coordination, IFC (TBC)

Day 2: December 2, 2022

9:00-9:05  Welcome Policy Day
Mariangela Parra-Lancourt, Chief of Strategic Engagement and Policy Branch, UN DESA (TBC)

9:05-9:15  Keynote presentation: State of SDG Finance and Investment 2022
Ketan Patel, Chair of Force for Good Initiative and Platform (TBC)

9:15-9:55  Investment presentation by Eswatini
Speakers to be confirmed by Ministry of Economic Planning and Development

Panelists:
Tanya Dos Santos, Global Head of Sustainability, Investec (TBC)
Danielle Agress, Country Manager, Southern Africa and Global Connectivity Sector Lead, USTDA (TBC)

Moderator
Nigel Beck, Head of Sustainable Finance Rand Merchant Bank (TBC)

09:55-10:05  Spotlight presentation by Armenia
Speakers to be confirmed by Armenia RCO
10:05-10:10  
**Break**

10:10-11:00  
**Policy Dialogue: Strengthening country and regional ecosystems to scale-up private sector participation in advancing SDG financing**

This policy discussion will highlight country-level innovations to strengthen SDG financing ecosystems and mobilize sustainable and impact investment. Kenya, Armenia, and Costa Rica will share ongoing initiatives being undertaken in collaboration with the UN system that are delivering enhanced levels of public-private sector partnership and investment to fulfil their countries’ sustainable development objectives.

*Panelists:*

Stephen Jackson, Resident Coordinator Kenya (TBC)
Allegra Maria del Pilar Baiocchi, Resident Coordinator Costa Rica (TBC)
Lila Pieters Yahia, Resident Coordinator Armenia (TBC)
Rosemary Kalapurakal, Deputy Director, Development Coordination Office (TBC)
Christopher Kirigua, Director General, Public Private Partnerships Directorate, Kenya National Treasury (TBC)
Governement representative Costa Rica (TBC)

*Moderator*

Mariangela Parra-Lancourt, Chief of Strategic Engagement and Policy Branch, UN DESA (TBC)

11:00-11:50  
**Policy Dialogue: Mobilizing investments for the SDGs through innovations in data**

This panel will highlight innovations in data and technology that enable the scaling up of sustainable investments in developing countries. Representatives from private sector, including investors and technology start-ups, as well as civil society actors will present new solutions that are mitigating some of the risks and challenges related to transparency, credibility, cost-effectiveness, and privacy and can aid in aligning capital flows to the SDGs.

*Panelists:*

Berenice Lasfargues Sustainability Integration Lead, BNP Paribas Asset Management (TBC)
Niels Fibæk CEO, Matter (TBC)
Karen Basiye, Director, Sustainable Business and Social Impact, Safaricom (TBC)
Representative from the Source Foundation (TBC)

*Moderator*

Shari Spiegel, Chief of Policy Analysis and Development Branch, UN DESA

11:50-12:00  
**Closing remarks**

Glenn Hodes, Interregional Adviser for SDG Investment, UN DESA (TBC)

15:30-17:30  
**Clean energy investment opportunities in Colombia (in-person, by invitation only)**
Speakers to be confirmed by the Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations.