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MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

15:00-16:15 **Location: SC03 Saghro**
CSO Townhall with the IMF Managing Director, Kristalina Georgieva

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

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13:00-14:30	Location: AA08 Bab Mansour Civil Society Roundtable with Executive Directors of the World Bank	
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17:00-18:30	Location: BB01 Oum Errabii CSO Townhall with World Bank President Ajay Banga	

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11.15-12.45	Location: SC03 Saghro IMF quota and SDR reforms: Building an International Architecture Capable of Responding to Evolving Challenges	Location: SC06 Acacia The Implications of Private Finance De-risking for Economic Development in the Global South	Location: SC07 Oasis Grassroots Women in the Caribbean: Climate Resilience and Peacebuilding in Haiti

14.00-15.30	Location: SC03 Saghro Building a New Eco-Social Contract and Advancing Social Security in Times of Debt and Austerity	Location: SC06 Acacia Harnessing the Power of Youth and Adolescents: Advancing Health and Nutrition Through Inclusive Global Partnerships	Location: SC07 Oasis Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate Change Alternatives Analysis: Ensuring World Bank Group Paris Agreement Alignment
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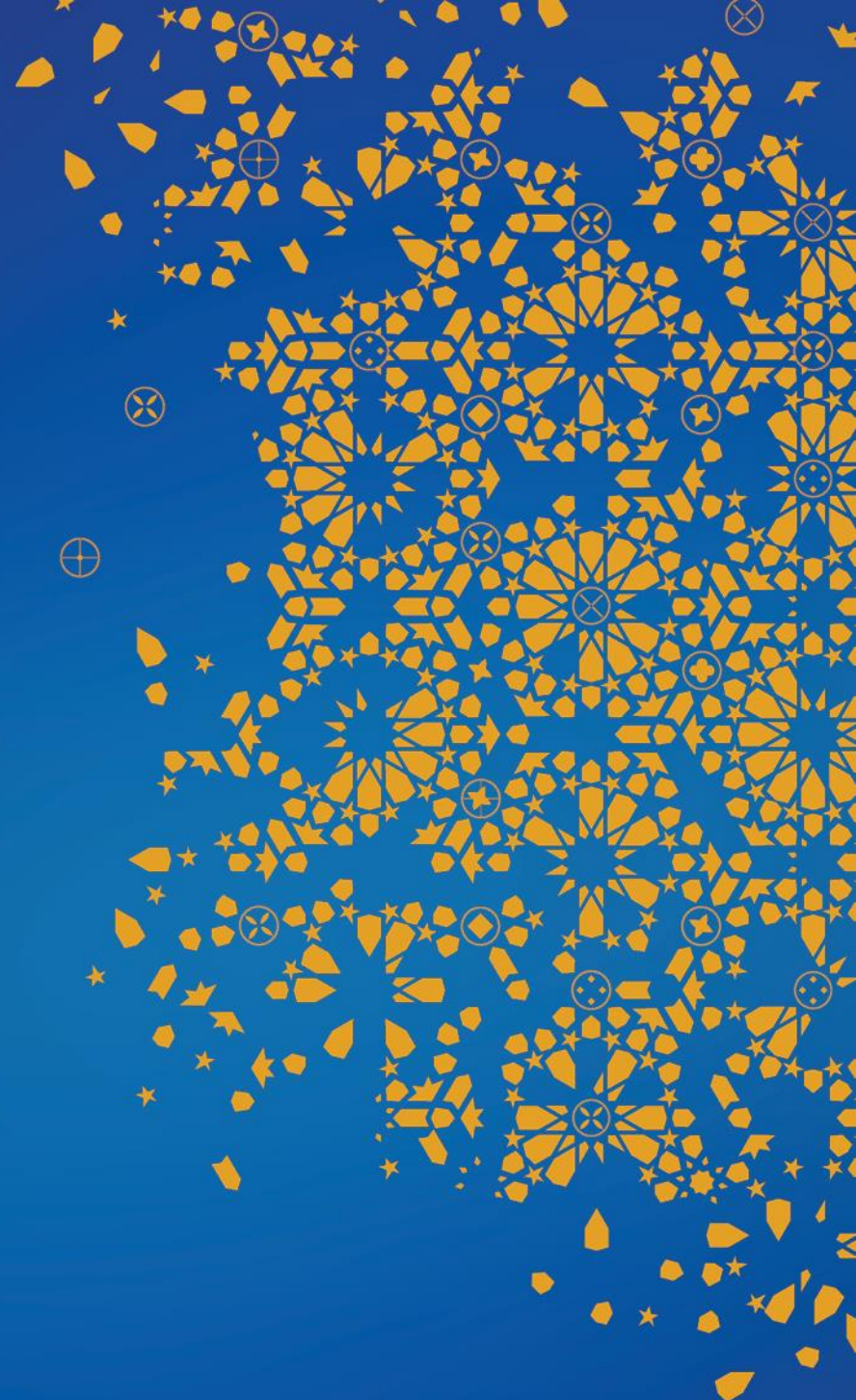
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DAY 1: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023

10:00-11:30 (Marrakech Time)

Progressive Fiscal Policies to End Austerity: Taxing Wealth to Fund the Care Economy

Organizers: Financial Transparency Coalition, APMDD, Tax Justice Network Africa, Christian Aid, CPD, LDC Watch, South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication (SAAPE), Rural Reconstruction Nepal

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: Recent research has highlighted the need for windfall taxes on corporations, as well as inheritance taxes and wealth taxes, to fill the gaps that emerged during the COVID-19 pandemic in terms of financing the care economy during periods of austerity. The session will also examine the progressiveness of the International Monetary Fund's fiscal policy advice.

- Moderator: Matti Kohonen, Director, Financial Transparency Coalition (FTC)
- Panelist 1: Eduardo Tadem, Coordinator, University of the Philippines Center for Integrative and Development Studies' Program on Alternative Development
- Panelist 2: Towfiqul Islam Khan, Senior Research Fellow, CPD
- Panelist 3: Chenai Mukumba, Executive Director, Tax Justice Network Africa
- Panelist 4: IMF Representative (TBC)

Adolescent Girls in Fragile Contexts

Organizers: Save the Children, CARE International

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: Seventy-three percent of people living in extreme poverty are in fragile contexts. With this percentage projected to increase, risks to adolescent girls—including gender-based violence, school dropout, early marriage, and early pregnancy—cannot be ignored. This session will enable young female activists to share their experiences with the World Bank.

- Moderator: Nakhungu Magero, Global Lead, Gender Equality in Humanitarian Response, Save the Children
- Panelist 1: Sofia Sprechmann, Secretary General, CARE International
- Panelist 2: Gwen Hines, CEO, Save the Children UK
- Panelist 3: Mariam Gogo Bambara, Youth activist from Mali, CARE International
- Panelist 4: Amer Ruben, Social Worker, Crown the Woman, South Sudan
- Panelist 5: TBC, Youth Activist, Save the Children
- Panelist 6: Hana Brix, Global Director for Gender, World Bank

13:00-14:30	<p>Civil Society Roundtable with Executive Directors of the World Bank A conversation with the Executive Directors of the World Bank on shared development priorities Location: AA08 Bab Mansour</p>
15:00-16:30 (Marrakech time)	<p>Transformative Policy Pathways: Lessons from Feminist Economics Programming for the IMF Organizers: ActionAid, IPD, WEDO, FEAM, The Global Alliance for Tax Justice, Center for Economic and Social Rights (CESR), Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI), Third World Network, Recourse, AMWA, Arab Watch Coalition (AWC), Gender Action, Bretton Woods Project (BWP) Location: SC03 Saghro Session Abstract: As part of ongoing discussions on transformational recovery, the implementation of the International Monetary Fund Strategy on mainstreaming gender, and staff guidance notes, this session will share expertise from civil society on research, strategies, and alternative policy pathways for a feminist just transition at the national, regional and global levels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Wangari Kinoti, Global Lead, Women’s Rights and Feminist Alternatives, ActionAid International • Panelist 1: Jessica Mandanda, Member and Communications Advisor, Feminist Macroeconomic Alliance Malawi • Panelist 2: Riska Koopman, Policy Advocacy and Campaigns Coordinator, The Global Alliance for Tax Justice • Panelist 3: Bhumika Muchhala, Political Economist and Senior Advisor, Third World Network (TBC) • Panelist 4: Monique Newiak, Deputy Chief of the Inclusion and Gender Unit, IMF <hr/> <p>An Evolution to Accountability Roadmap: Lessons for the Bank’s New Chapter Organizer: Accountability Counsel Location: SC06 Acacia Session Abstract: To help guide the World Bank's evolution, this session will explore critical lessons from its Independent Accountability Mechanisms. Discussions will center on the rights of individuals affected by projects; how to prepare for unintended harms caused by rapidly scaled operations; and the importance of embracing remedies that ensure a just, inclusive, and resilient transition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Greg Berry, Policy Associate, Accountability Counsel • Panelist 1: Ramanie Kunanayagam, Chair of the Inspection Panel, World Bank • Panelist 2: Dominique Favre, Executive Director for Switzerland, World Bank • Panelist 3: Janine Ferretti, Director General of the Compliance Advisor/ Ombudsman, World Bank

17:00-18:30

CSO Townhall with World Bank President Ajay Banga

Every year during the Annual Meetings, the Civil Society Townhall provides an opportunity for civil society representatives to dialogue with the President.

Location: BB01 Oum Errabii

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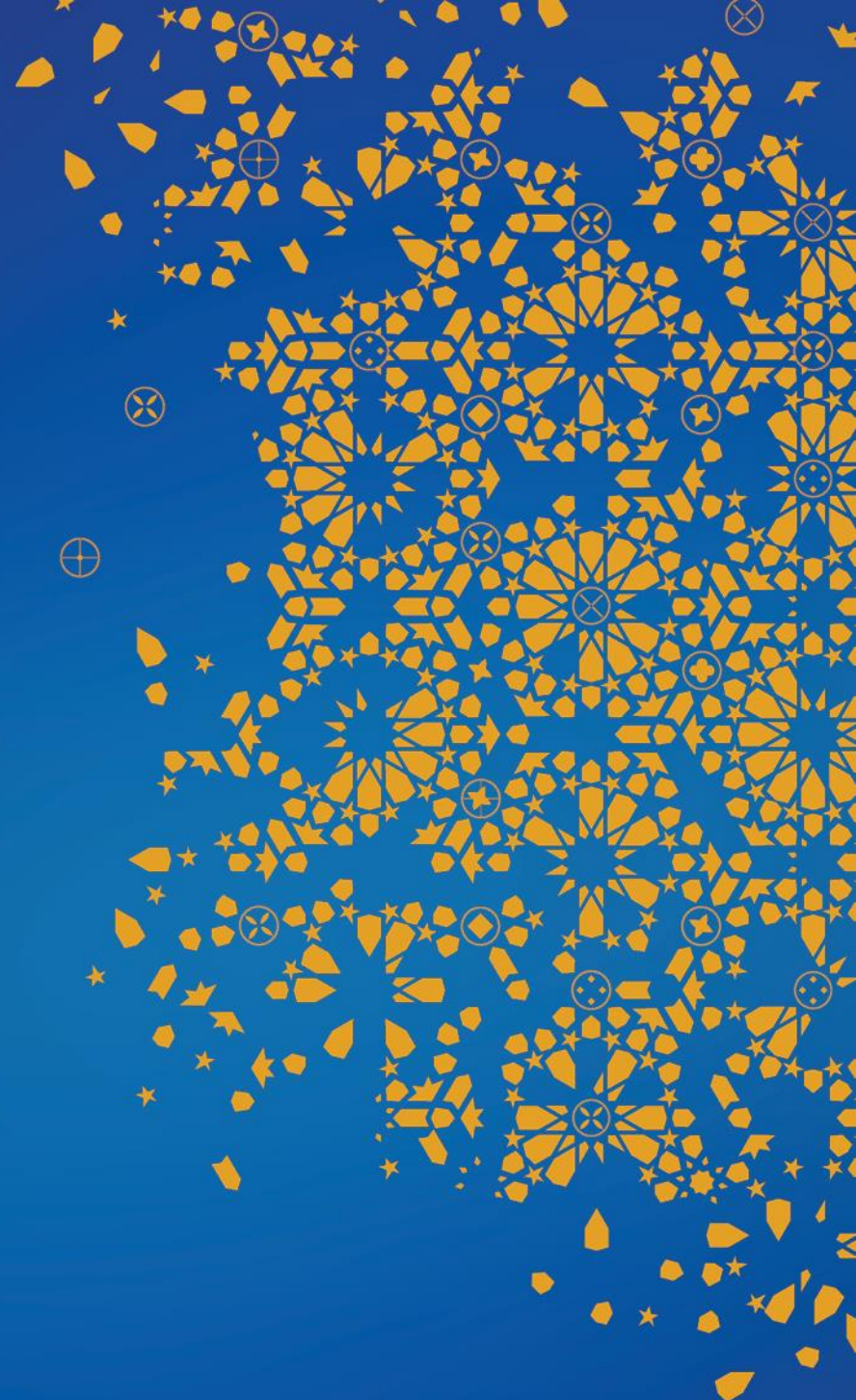
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CSPF DAY 2

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11



DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023

10:30-12:00 (Marrakech Time)

Time to Tax Wealth in the MENA Region

Organizers: Oxfam International, Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND), Arab Watch Coalition (AWC), Arab Reform Initiative (ARI), Carnegie Middle East Center, Centre Ali Ben Ghedhahem pour La Justice Fiscale (CAFJ), Project Zero (SIFR), International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: The session will present the findings of the upcoming Oxfam International report on inequality and taxing the wealthy in the MENA region. It will highlight the links between rising inequality and lack of fair taxation; discussions will also examine how the International Monetary Fund could play a role in addressing inequalities in the region.

- Moderator: Viviane Akiki, Managing Editor, Project Zero (SIFR)
- Panelist 1: Sahar Mechmech, Public Policy Consultant, Oxfam International and Centre Ali Ben Ghedhahem pour La Justice Fiscale (CAFJ)
- Panelist 2: Omar Ghannam, Economic Researcher, Social Justice Platform
- Panelist 3: International Monetary Fund representative (TBC)
- Panelist 4: Minister of Economy or Other High-Level Government Representative from Tunisia or Morocco (TBC)

African Perspectives on the Reforms of the International Financial Architecture

Organizers: Tax Justice Network Africa, Transparency International, Stop the Bleeding campaign, Tunisian Observatory of the Economy (OTE)

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: This session aims to bring together African governments, civil society organizations, and key stakeholders to share and discuss African positions on reforming the international financial architecture. It will highlight the unique challenges faced by African nations as well as policy recommendations to address them from a pan-African perspective.

- Moderator: Francis Kairu, Policy Officer – Tax and the international Financial Architecture, Tax Justice Network Africa
- Panelist 1: Robert Mwanyumba, Regional Coordinator, Transparency International
- Panelist 2: Luckystar Miyandazi, Tax and Domestic Revenue Mobilization Adviser, African Union Commission
- Panelist 3: Amine Elkamel, Head of Partnerships, Tunisian Observatory of the Economy

Rethinking Food Crises and Water Stress in Africa, and a Call for Action to Mitigate Climate Change

Organizer: C4D (Chabab for Development)

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: Africa is facing increasing challenges related to food crises and water stress, largely driven by the impacts of climate change. This panel aims to bring together experts, policymakers, researchers, and stakeholders to rethink current approaches to addressing these challenges in Africa, as well as to explore the interconnectedness of climate change and water resources in order to urgently coordinate action on this front.

- Moderator: Amal Elouassif, Senior International Relations Specialist, Policy Center for the New South
- Panelist 1: Youssef Brouziyne, Head of MENA Office, International Water Management Institute (IWMI)
- Panelist 2: Nouzha Bouchareb, Former Minister of Urban Planning, Housing and Urban Policy; President, Connectin Group International
- Panelist 3: Kamal Akaya, President, AFCD Foundation
- Panelist 4: Kholoud Kahime, President, International Research Center and Capacity Building
- Panelist 5: Saroj Kumar Jha, Global Director, Water Global Practice, World Bank

Defusing the Debt Time Bomb: The Role of an Effective Crisis Prevention and Resolution Architecture

Organizers: Jubilee USA Network, AFRODAD, ANND, AWC, APMDD, Caritas Africa, Debt Justice Norway, DRGR, Erlassjahr.de (Jubilee Germany), Eurodad, Global Policy Forum, Jesuit Justice and Ecology Network Africa – JENA, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung-NY

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: Sixty countries struggle with high debt burdens and payments at the expense of health, social, climate and other priorities, with few of them having made use of available debt restructuring mechanisms. What needs to change in the debt architecture to encourage and deliver early, prompt and sufficient debt reductions?

- Moderator: Eric LeCompte, Executive Director, Jubilee USA Network
- Panelist 1: Matthew Martin, Director, Development Finance International
- Panelist 2: Lidy Nacpil, Coordinator, Asian People's Movement on Debt and Development
- Panelist 3: Guillaume Chabert, Deputy Director of Strategy, Policy, and Review, IMF
- Discussant 1: Yuefen Li, Co-Chair, Debt Relief for Green and Inclusive Recovery Initiative
- Discussant 2: Bodo Ellmers, Director of Financing for Sustainable Development Program, Global Policy Forum
- Discussant 3: Salwa Trabelsi, Professor, ESSECT, University of Tunis

13:30-15:00 (Marrakech Time)

Human Rights Due Diligence as a Tool to Prevent Reprisals and Move from Words to Action

Organizers: CHRD, Central and Eastern European (CEE) Bankwatch Network, Lumière Synergie Développement (LSD), ANND

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: Defenders and communities often face reprisals for raising concerns about development projects. Development banks must conduct human rights due diligence (HRDD) to address this. Some banks have pledged to tackle reprisals, but gaps persist. Speakers will address these challenges and the need to strengthen HRDD for effective reprisal risk assessment, prevention, response, and remedy.

- Moderator: Katelyn Gallagher, Campaigns Director, Bank Information Center
- Panelist 1: Babacar Diouf, Programme Officer, Lumière Synergie Développement
- Panelist 2: Adib Nehme, Senior Policy Advisor, Arab NGO Network for Development
- Panelist 3: Dalile Antúnez, Collaborative Researcher, Coalition for Human Rights in Development
- Panelist 4: Anna Roggenbuck, Policy Officer, Central and Eastern European Bankwatch Network
- Panelist 5: Maninder Gill, Global Director for the World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework

Development Finance for For-profit Private Healthcare—Implications for Universal Health Coverage, Human Rights and Gender Equality

Organizers: Wemos, Oxfam International, Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (GI-ESCR), Initiative for Socio-Economic Rights (ISER), Akina Mama wa Afrika (AMWA), PSI

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: The session will explore whether IFC and other development institutions' support of investments in private healthcare providers is helping or hindering efforts to achieve universal health coverage (UHC), uphold human rights obligations and advance gender equality, with a focus on evidence and perspectives from Africa. This is especially relevant given the reforms proposed in the World Bank's Evolution Roadmap, especially its renewed focus on the "private sector-first" approach. Evidence will be shared regarding the role and impact of commercial healthcare providers, and panelists will reflect on policy and practice solutions and potential areas of investment in the health sector that can help realize the sustainable development goals and support human rights.

- Moderator: Marco Angelo, Global Health Advocate, Wemos
- Panelist 1: Anna Mariott, Health Policy Lead, Oxfam International
- Panelist 2: Rossella De Falco, Programme Officer, Right to Health, Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- Panelist 3: Allana Kembabazi, Programme Manager, Initiative for Socio-Economic Rights Uganda
- Panelist 4: Faith Lumonya, Economic Justice and Climate Action Programme Officer, Akina Mama wa Afrika
- Panelist 5: Charles Dalton, Global Sector Specialist, Health, IFC

How to Close the Laundromat: CSO Input for the 2023 Review of the IMF strategy on AML/CFT

Organizers: Tax Justice Network, FTC, TJN-A

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: Illicit financial flows and cross-border money laundering threats have remained at the top of the global political agenda for years. No matter if stemming from drug trafficking, corruption, tax crimes, environmental crimes (illegal fishing, logging and illicit forms of mining activities) or stolen assets, a tide of dirty money continues to threaten financial integrity globally. In this context, the IMF has invited input to its upcoming 2023 Review of its strategy on AML/CFT. This session will discuss the input Civil Society Organizations have given to this process.

- Moderator: Emilia Berazategui, Civil Society Lead, International Monetary Fund
- Panelist 1: Markus Meinzer, Director, Tax Justice Network
- Panelist 2: Luis Urrutia, Deputy General Counsel, International Monetary Fund
- Panelist 3: Gioconda Medrano, Lead International Fiscal Transparency, Costa Rica Ministry of Revenue

How Can the World Bank Build Long-term Resilience and Equity in the Global Food System?

Organizers: CAFOD, Stop Financing Factory Farming Coalition and members, Recourse, Central and Eastern European (CEE) Bankwatch Network, Bretton Woods Project

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: Civil society organizations will present research on the benefits and costs associated with the World Bank's financing to the agriculture sector. We will examine the World Bank's track record on agriculture, with the objective of improving its approach and making collective progress on increasing food security in the global south.

- Panelist 1: Farida Akhter, Executive Director, UBINIG
- Panelist 2: Prof Charles Ssekyewa, Director, Centre for Ecosystems Research and Development
- Panelist 3: Million Belay, General Coordinator, AFSA
- Panelist 4: Martien Van Nieuwkoop, Global Director, Agriculture and Food Practice, World Bank

An Evolution Roadmap Responsive to Development Crises? Towards an External Evaluation of the World Bank's Cascade

Organizers: RoA, ActionAid International, Christian Aid, Coalition for Human Rights in Development (CHRD), European Network on Debt and Development (Eurodad), Gender Action, Global Development Policy Center, IBON International, Bretton Woods Project (BWP), Third World Network (TWN)

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: As the World Bank charts an institutional course rooted in private financing in its Evolution Roadmap, the panel will explore evidence to counter the basis of proposed reforms, and argue that only with an external independent review of cascade impacts can the World Bank effectively respond to development crises.

- Moderator: Luiz Vieira, Coordinator, Bretton Woods Project
- Panelist 1: Ndongo Sylla, Program and Research Manager, Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung
- Panelist 2: Osvaldo Calvo-Gonzales, Director General, IEG
- Panelist 3: Maria Jose Romero, Third World Network or Bhumika Muchhala, European Network on Debt and Development

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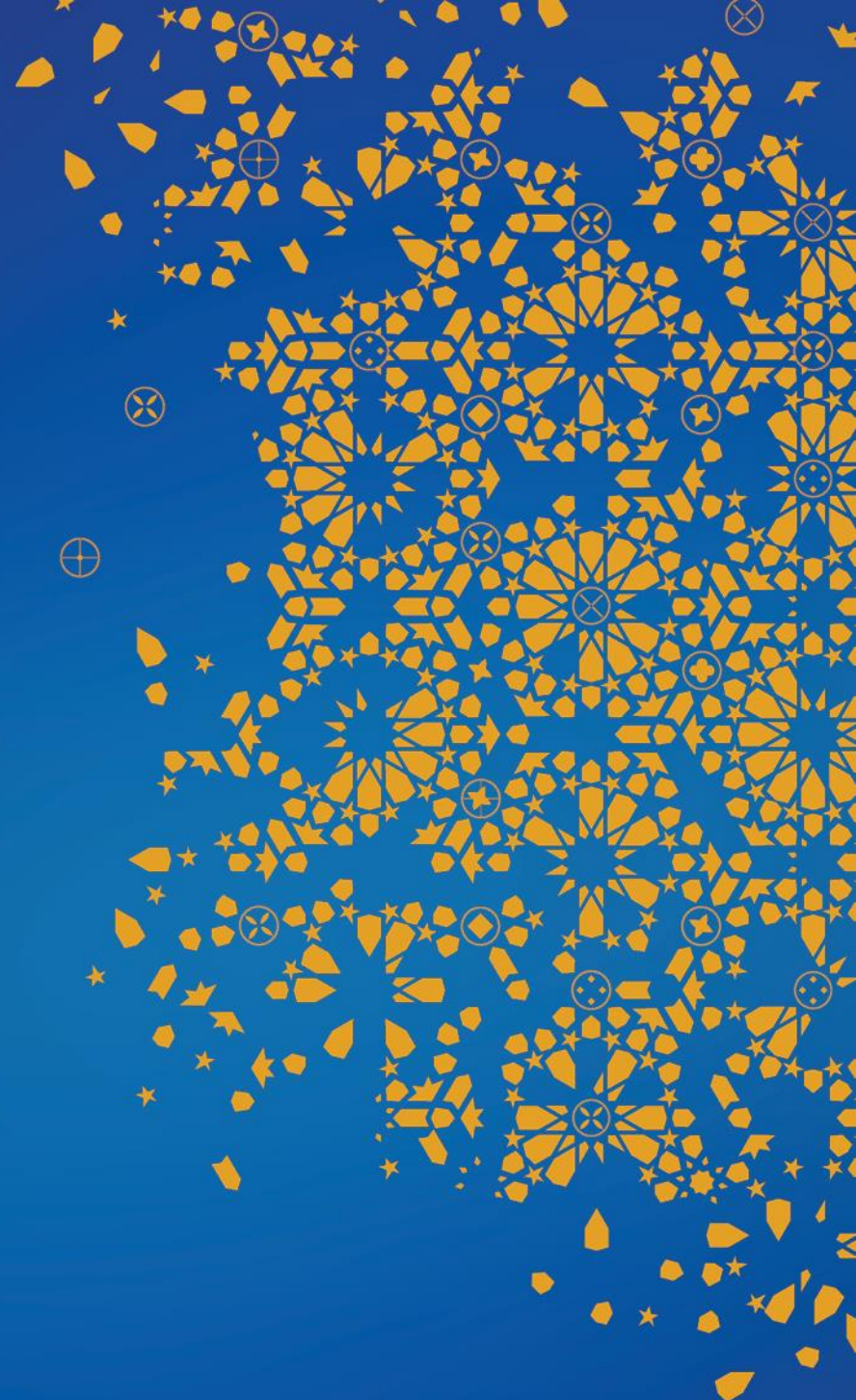
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CSPF DAY 3

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12



DAY 3: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023

9:00-10:30 (Marrakech Time)

Financing Universal Social Protection Systems in the Arab Region—What Alternatives to Austerity and Debt?

Organizers: Arab Reform Initiative (ARI), Arab Watch Coalition (AWC), Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND), Arab Region Hub for Social Protection, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) MENA, Inclusive Social Security Policy Forum (ISSPF)-MENA, Malcolm H. Kerr Carnegie Middle East Center, EuroMed Rights, Human Rights Watch (HRW), Amnesty International

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: This session will examine financing mechanisms for universal social protection systems in the Arab region, presenting ARI and its partners' research on the International Monetary Fund's impact on reducing fiscal spaces and social spending. The Fund enforces austerity and debt, hindering alternatives such as fiscal reforms, solidarity financing instruments, and improvements to climate finance.

- Moderator: Nadim Houry, Executive Director, Arab Reform Initiative
- Panelist 1: Farah Al Shami, Senior Fellow and Social Protection Program Director, Arab Reform Initiative
- Panelist 2: Osama Diab, Research Consultant, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung MENA
- Panelist 3: Shereen Talaat, Independent Researcher, MENA Feminist Movement
- Panelist 4: Roberto Cardarelli, Assistant Director to the Middle East and Central Asia Department, IMF

Financing a Just Transition for Africa: Strategies for Adequate, Affordable, and Sustainable Climate Finance

Organizers: Akina Mama wa Afrika (AMwA), African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: Africa is battling multiple crises, including climate change, debt, economic decline, conflicts, disease, and poverty. Yet the development financing gap, especially with respect to climate financing (US\$1.3 trillion), is growing. Addressing this requires an adequate, affordable, and flexible quantum that centers the needs of Africans, as well as reformation of the global financial architecture.

- Moderator: Olabukunola Williams, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights Lead, Akina Mama wa Afrika
- Panelist 1: Adrian Chikowore, Policy Analyst and Advocacy Officer for International Public and Private Finance, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development
- Panelist 2: Sonia Phalatse, Economic Justice and Rights Lead, The African Women's Development and Communications Network
- Panelist 3: Faith Lumonya, Economic Justice and Climate Action Lead, Akina Mama wa Afrika

Barriers to Accessing Accountability for World Bank Group-funded projects in the MENA Region

Organizers: Arab Watch Coalition (AWC), Accountability Counsel, Bank Information Center, Urgewald, Inspection Panel, Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL)

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: Since its inception in 1993, the Inspection Panel has received only nine complaints from the MENA region. The Grievance Redress Service that was established in 2016 has also received fewer complaints from the MENA region than other regions, yet this does not indicate that the World Bank's funded projects are better performing in the MENA region. This session will discuss factors—such as shrinking civic space, non-transparent lending instruments, and existing institutional barriers—that hamper communities' access to existing accountability mechanisms, and offer recommendations for how the mechanisms and institutions can reduce such barriers and facilitate recourse.

- Moderator: Amy Ekdawi, Co-Director, Arab Watch Coalition
- Panelist 1: Samer Araabi- Research Director, Accountability Counsel
- Panelist 2: Dustin Schafer, Head of Campaigns on IFIs, Urgewald
- Panelist 3: Myriam Nahouli-Saquet, Complainant from Lebanon
- Panelist 4: Ramanie Kunanayagam, Chair of the Inspection Panel, World Bank
- Panelist 5: Janine Ferretti, Director General of the Compliance Advisor/ Ombudsman, World Bank

Rethinking Human Capital Investments for a More Sustainable and Inclusive Future

Organizers: People First Community, Teach for Morocco

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: The Learning Recovery to Acceleration report warns that shocks to human capital could persist for decades and threaten the welfare of multiple generations. Panelists will share examples of investments in the agency and leadership of people to shape their own development outcomes as a pathway for a more inclusive future.

- Moderator: Anna Molero, Secretary, People First Community
- Panelist 1: Mohamed El Idrissi, CEO, Teach For Morocco
- Panelist 2: Houda Barakate, CEO, EFE-Maroc
- Panelist 3: Faizah Alaoui, Research Fellow, Knowledge AI
- Panelist 4: Luis Benveniste, Global Director for Education, World Bank

11:15-12:45 (Marrakech Time)

Lessons Learned from Civil Society Participation in Multilateral Climate Fund Governance

Organizers: Global Environment Facility (GEF) CSO Network, Stakeholder Advisory Network on Climate Finance (SAN)

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: Multilateral climate funds take pride in their efforts to embrace civil society as a partner. Their stakeholder engagement policies often exceed those of multilateral development banks, such as the World Bank, that may operate as their hosts. One example is the direct participation of stakeholders—CSOs, indigenous peoples and the private sector—in governing bodies, typically in observer capacities. This session will present findings on the key gaps that constrain participation and limit the role of civil society oversight in climate finance. It will also explore the responses of stakeholder groups in different climate funds to address these gaps and shortfalls.

- Moderator: Maria Lechner, Vice-Chair, GEF CSO Network
- Panelist 1: Andres Falconer, Consultant
- Panelist 2: Ladd Connell, Environment Director, Bank Information Center
- Panelist 3: Gabriella Richardson Temm, Senior Development Specialist, Global Environment Facility
- Panelist 4: Aly Zulficar Rahim, Practice Manager, GPSA, World Bank

Assessing the IMF's Climate Change Strategy: Experiences in Uganda, Pakistan, and Argentina

Organizers: FARN, Recourse, Caribbean Policy Development Centre, SEATINI, Boston University Global Development Policy Center, E3G, Alternative Law Collective, Bretton Woods Project, ActionAid International, CEPPAS

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: The launch of the International Monetary Fund's climate strategy in 2021 included ambitious targets for climate change coverage in its economic surveillance activities. This panel aims to discuss how the International Monetary Fund is implementing its strategy, how the mainstreaming of climate should evolve, and why it is urgent for the institution to accelerate it.

- Moderator: Dileimy Orozco, Senior Policy Advisor, E3G
- Panelist 1: Jane Nalunga, Executive Director, Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute
- Panelist 2: Zain Moulvi, Research Director, Alternative Law Collective
- Panelist 3: Julia Gerlo, Research Officer, Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales
- Panelist 4: Dora Iakova, Deputy Director, IMF
- Panelist 5: Dora Benedek, Division Chief, IMF
- Panelist 6: Rishikesh Ram Bhandary, Boston University

Aligning Climate Finance with Decarbonization in the Transportation Sector

Organizers: Bank Information Center, Oxfam International, Bretton Woods Project

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: The World Bank is a critical player in international development finance and is pivotal in channeling financial resources to climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts. It has committed to increasing its share of climate finance lending to 35 percent. There is also consensus around the need to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from transport, because it is the largest growing source of CO2. The bank is well aware of this, and has convened important global conversations such as Sustainability Mobility for All; it also manages the Global Facility to Decarbonize Transport. It is essential to look at opportunities for the bank to help advance transport decarbonization, as this is a key contributor to making its portfolio Paris-aligned. This panel will explore the bank's approach to calculating climate co-benefits and the overlooked potential for aligning with decarbonization pathways supported by country climate and development reports.

- Moderator: Kyle Ash, Policy Director, Bank Information Center
- Panelist 1: Jacob Mason, Research and Impact Director, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy
- Panelist 2: Hiten Parmar, Executive Director, E-Mission
- Panelist 3: Christian Donaldson, Policy Advisor, Oxfam International
- Panelist 4: Binyam Reja, Global Practice Manager, Transport, World Bank

Promoting Equity and Accountability in Pandemic Preparedness: The Role of CSOs in the Pandemic Fund

Organizers: Inclusive Global Health Institutions Project (WACI Health, GFAN and STOPAIDS), PAN, CISDI, SEE RCN

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: Civil society and communities play a critical role in pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response. This session will explore how a civil society engagement mechanism at the Pandemic Fund could support this role, drawing on lessons learned from World Bank-hosted funds. Moderator: Rosemary Mburu, Executive Director, WACI Health

- Panelist 1: Aida Kurtovic, Executive Director, South-Eastern Europe Regional HIV and TB Community Network, and Board Member, Pandemic Fund Global South CSO
- Panelist 2: Nabeeha Kazi Hutchins, President and CEO, PAN PAI
- Panelist 3: Martin Seychell, Deputy Director General, Directorate General for International Partnerships, European Commission
- Panelist 4: Priya Basu, Executive Head of the Secretariat, Pandemic Fund, World Bank

A Macroeconomic Perspective of Gender and the BWIs: Thinking Bigger in Times of Crisis

Organizers: Gender Action, Bretton Woods Project; Akina Mama wa Afrika (AMWA); CARE International; IBON International; ITUC; Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation; Oxfam International

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: The session will explore macroeconomic threats to realizing gender equality. BWI gender strategies lack a macroeconomic framework conducive to reducing intersectional gender, class and race inequalities, unpaid care work and climate risks. MENA examples will demonstrate austerity, debt, privatization and increasing female labor to raise GDP constitute a bankrupt model.

- Moderator: Faith Lumonya, Economic Justice and Climate Action Lead, Akina Mama wa Africa
- Panelist 1: Bhumika Muchala, Political Economist and Senior Advisor, Third World Network
- Panelist 2: Anam Parvez, Head of Research, Oxfam International
- Panelist 3: Amal el Amri, Secrétaire Nationale, L'Union Marocaine du Travail
- Panelist 4: Monique Newiak, Deputy Chief of the Inclusion and Gender Unit, International Monetary Fund

Driving Ambition? A Critical Review of the WBG's Approach to Paris Alignment and the Energy Transition

Organizers: Big Shift Global, Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (FARN), Power Shift, MenaFem, Recourse, BWP, Christian Aid, Oil Change international, ActionAid International, E3G

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: This will be a discussion between civil society and the World Bank about the World Bank Group's Paris Alignment approach and the energy transition, with a focus on recently released sector and instrument notes. It will be an important opportunity to discuss civil society proposals on how to improve the Paris Alignment process and increase ambition to affect changes.

- Moderator: Shereen Talaat, Director, MenaFem
- Panelist 1: Lorraine Chiponda, Facilitator, Don't Gas Africa
- Panelist 2: Julia Gerlo, Researcher, FARN
- Panelist 3: Suzan Nada, Labor Lawyer and Consultant, MenaFem
- Panelist 4: Jennifer Sara, Global Director of Climate Change, World Bank

The B-Ready Project: A Significant Departure from the Doing Business Report?

Organizers: ActionAid International, African Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation, Bretton Woods Project, Centre for Financial Accountability, Eurodad, International Trade Union Confederation, Third World Network

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: After the Doing Business Report (DBR) was discontinued, the World Bank quickly developed its successor, the Business-Ready (B-Ready) Project. This panel will consider whether B-Ready adequately addresses the critiques levelled at its predecessor around labor rights and public goods, and how well it advances the bank's objectives during these challenging times.

- Moderator: Joel Odigie, Deputy General Secretary, African Organisation of the International Trade Union Confederation
- Panelist 1: Maju Varghese, Associate Director, Centre for Financial Accountability
- Panelist 2: Ashina Mtsumi, Tax and Education Alliance Coordinator, ActionAid International
- Panelist 3: Luiz Vieira, Coordinator, Bretton Woods Project
- Panelist 4: Norman Loayza, Director, Global Indicators Group, World Bank

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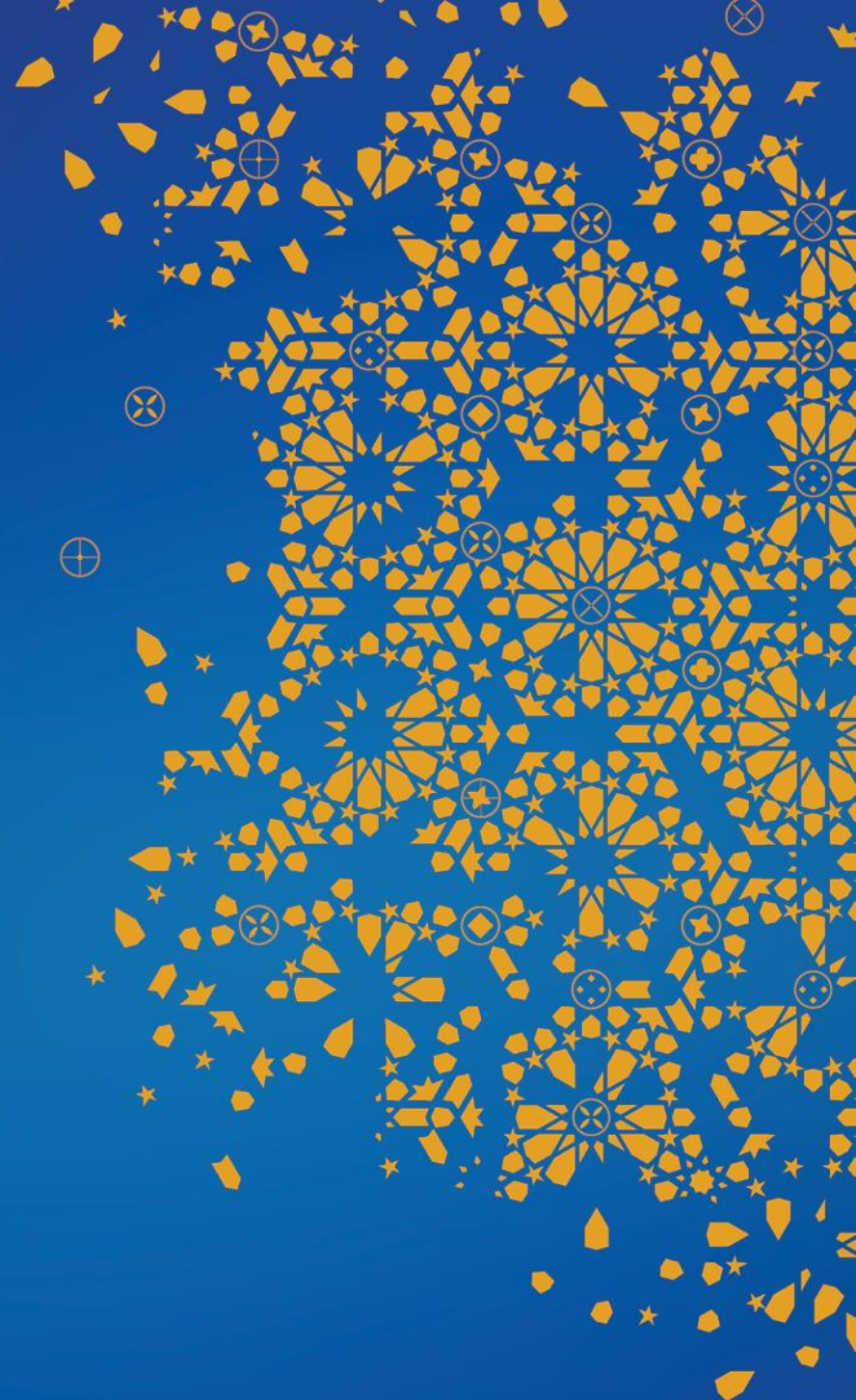
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9:00-10:30 (Marrakech Time)

How Can the MENA Region Achieve Climate Justice and Development Under Austerity?

Organizers: Association La Siesta pour la protection de l'environnement, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung MENA, Talasamtane, Big Shift, MenaFemMovement

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: Middle and low-income countries in MENA are among the countries most impacted by climate change. Debt is one of the symptoms of the ensuing crises in the region. This session will aim to start a debate on the climate crisis and development in MENA, and the impact of debt and austerity on residents there.

- Moderator: Imene Cherif, Regional Program manager, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung MENA
- Panelist 1: Nadia Hmaity, President, Association LaSiesta Pour La Protection de l'environnement
- Panelist 2: Hala Morad, CEO, Dibeem for Environmental Development
- Panelist 3: Mounir Hussein, Climate Researcher, FTDES
- Panelist 4: Radwa El Khouli, Researcher, Egyptian Forum for Economic and Social Justice
- Panelist 5: International Monetary Fund representative (TBC)

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Mobilizing Finance to End Inequalities, Address Multiple Crises and Build Sustainable Futures for LDCs

Organizers: LDC Watch, Asian People's Movement on Debt and Development (APMDD), Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN), South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication (SAAPE)

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: This session explores pressing concerns in least developed countries (LDCs) due to crises such as climate emergencies and high inflation. Participants will discuss challenges and innovative finance strategies, aiming to propose inclusive solutions for LDCs to attain equitable progress despite interconnected adversities.

- Moderator: Amb Arjun Karki, Global Coordinator, LDC Watch
- Panelist 1: Lidy Nacpil, Coordinator, APMDD
- Panelist 2: Jane Nalunga, Executive Director, SEATINI Uganda
- Panelist 3: Netra Timsina, Regional Coordinator, South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication
- Panelist 4: Gallina A. Vincelette, Director for Operations Policy OPCS, World Bank

Unpacking the Bridgetown Initiative: An Insightful and Dynamic Afro-centric Evaluation and Perspective

Organizers: The Jesuit Justice and Ecology Network - Africa, Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI), Bretton Woods Project, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: The Bridgetown Initiative seeks backing for climate shock solutions and equitable finance reform. Crucial for vulnerable nations, it's questioned from an African perspective due to limited scope, reliance on private funding, and deviation from established frameworks such as the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and 2030 Agenda. This session will review, suggest options, and advocate for inclusive strategies for Africa's green recovery.

- Moderator: Jason Braganza, Executive Director, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development
- Panelist 1: Dr. Kennedy Mbeva, Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Oxford
- Panelist 2: Jane S Nalunga, Executive Director, Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute
- Panelist 3: Fr. Charles Chilufya, Executive Director, The Jesuit Justice and Ecology Network - Africa

The IMF Quota and SDR Reforms: Building an International Architecture Capable of Responding to Evolving Challenges

Organizers: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung MENA, CNCD, 11.11.11, Boston University, Bretton Woods Project, ActionAid Africa, MenaFem Movement for Economic Development and Ecological Justice, Christian Aid

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: Against the backdrop of a deepening and multifaceted crisis—the “crisis of development” and retrogression in the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—this panel will explore the potential for the 16th review of the International Monetary Fund quotas and related SDR allocation system to catalyze reforms of the required international system, to ensure it can respond to today's challenges and assure the stability and coherence of the multilateral system.

- Moderator: Shereen Talaat, Director, MenaFem Movement for Economic Development and Ecological Justice
- Panelist 1: Paulo Nogueira Batista, Author and Economist
- Panelist 2: Ndongo Samba Sylla, Program and Research Manager, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation
- Panelist 3: Chikumbutso Ngosi, Program Manager, Young Urban Women, ActionAid International, Malawi
- Panelist 4: Karim Trabelsi, Research Director, UGTT
- Panelist 5: Andreas Bauer, Deputy Director, IMF

11:15-12:45 (Marrakech Time)

The Implications of Private Finance De-risking for Economic Development in the Global South

Organizers: Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI), Bretton Woods Project, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: This session will explore how the World Bank's Cascade framework and GRID approach, which focus on private development finance, impact nations in the Global South. It will raise concerns about blended finance and de-risking endorsed by the World Bank, and outline their risks for these countries. The session will also suggest ways to enhance development outcomes and reduce economic vulnerability for these states.

- Moderator: Robert Bain, Financialization and Human Rights Lead, Bretton Woods Project
- Panelist 1: Kate Bayliss, Research Associate, Department of Economics, School of Oriental and African Studies
- Panelist 2: Jane S. Nalunga, Executive Director, Southern and Eastern Africa Trade Information and Negotiations Institute
- Panelist 3: Ramathan Ggoobi, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Uganda
- Panelist 4: Yungong Theophilus, Advocacy, Policy, and Research Manager, African Forum and Network on Debt and Development

Grassroots Women in the Caribbean: Climate Resilience and Peacebuilding in Haiti

Organizer: FEJ Global

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: This session will offer an in-depth examination of the pivotal roles grassroots women in Haiti play in fostering climate resilience and building peace within their communities. Through firsthand accounts and case studies, the session will aim to illuminate the effectiveness of localized strategies in confronting climate challenges.

- Moderator: Soukaina Hamia, Executive Director, FEJ Canada
- Panelist 1: Gina Ferrus, CEO, Co-founder, FEJ Haiti and FEJ Global
- Panelist 2: Thomas Knittel, HDR Design Director, LEED-Platinum children's Center in Haiti
- Panelist 3: A Gladys Thomas, CEO and President of FEH (Fondation Enfant Haiti)
- Panelist 4: Luis Benveniste, Global Director, Education, World Bank Group

Building a New Eco-social Contract and Advancing Social Security in Times of Debt and Austerity

Organizers: Act church of Sweden, ActionAid international, AWC, ANND, Amnesty International, CESR, End Austerity Campaign, FTC, GCSPPF, Global Social Justice/Initiative for Policy Dialogue (IPD), HRW, ISSPF, ISER, ITUC, Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation, Oxfam International, BWP, WIEGO, ARI

Location: SC03 Saghro

Session Abstract: Recent research (for instance, by Oxfam, IPD, and HRW) analyzing IMF programs show that, far from “mitigating” austerity measures, IMF policies and social spending floors fail to address negative social impacts. The panel will explore how the World Bank and IMF could build a human rights-based economy with better developmental outcomes.

- Moderator: Shahir Ishak, Senior Social Protection Specialist, Inclusive Social Security Policy Forum
- Panelist 1: Sarah Saadoun, Senior Researcher, Human Rights Watch
- Panelist 2: Allana Kembabazi, Program Manager, Initiative for Social and Economic Rights
- Panelist 3: Isabel Ortiz, Director Global Social Justice, Initiative for Policy Dialogue
- Panelist 4: Rodrigo Cerda, Division Chief, IMF

Harnessing the Power of Youth and Adolescents: Advancing Health and Nutrition Through Inclusive Global Partnerships

Organizers: Global Civil Society Coordinating Group (CSCG), Global Youth Platform (GYP) for the GFF

Location: SC06 Acacia

Session Abstract: This CSPF session will underscore youth's critical role in global health and nutrition. Through the example of meaningful engagement in the Global Financing Facility (GFF), panelists will discuss multi-stakeholder partnership opportunities to amplify youth voices for impactful decisions, and explore how inclusive youth empowerment can lead to a healthier future for all.

- Moderator: Arafat Kabugo, Programs Manager, Naguru Youth Health Network
- Panelist 1: Anely Paz, Asociación Civil Paz Joven (ACPJ, Guatemala), Board Member
- Panelist 2: Kenneth Prudencio, Advocacy Lead, Association de soutien à l'auto-promotion sanitaire et urbaine
- Panelist 3: Atta ul Haq, CEO, Youth Association Development
- Panelist 4: Maty Dia, the Global Financing Facility Partnership Manager, World Bank

Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate Change Alternatives Analysis: Ensuring World Bank Group Paris Agreement Alignment

Organizers: Bank Climate Advocates, IBON International, Power Shift Africa, Big Shift Global, Recourse, Friends of the Earth, Don't Gas Africa, Trend Asia

Location: SC07 Oasis

Session Abstract: The World Bank Group must ensure that greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions alternatives have been adequately analyzed prior to financing such projects. CSOs will discuss the World Bank Group's shortcomings in fulfilling this obligation, implications for the Paris agreement, and how such analyses should result in World Bank financing renewable energy infrastructure instead of fossil fuel projects and substantially reducing GHGs from its investments.

- Moderator: Fran Witt, Campaign Manager, Recourse
- Panelist 1: Jason Weiner, Executive Director and Legal Director, Bank Climate Advocates
- Panelist 2: Lorraine Chiponda, Africa Coordinator for the Don't Gas Africa; Africa Climate Movement Building Space
- Panelist 3: Novita Pratiwi, Energy Campaigner, Trend Asia
- Panelist 4: Dean Bhekumuzi Bhebhe, Campaigns Lead, Power Shift Africa
- Panelist 5: Aurelien Boyer, Global Manager, Climate Finance and Policy, IFC
- Panelist 6: Paolo Lombardo, Principal Environmental Specialist, IFC

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