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Session Descriptions

DAY 3: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022

The role of human rights defenders in addressing drivers and impacts of fragility, conflict, and violence in Africa
Location: TBA
Abstract: By 2030, more than half of the world’s extreme poor will live in countries characterized by fragility, conflict, and violence (FCV). Africa is no stranger to FCV. The political crisis in Ethiopia, DRC, Sudan, Cameroon to mention but a few coupled with poor governance and disregard for human rights and fundamental freedoms contribute to the forced displacement crisis. FCV hinders progress to sustainable development and ending extreme poverty as well as promoting shared prosperity. HRDs play a critical role in addressing the drivers and impact of FCV. This panel seeks to explore their role in operationalizing the FCV strategy.
Organizers: East and Horn of Africa Human Rights Defenders Project
Co-sponsors: National Coalition for Human Rights Defenders Uganda (NCHRD-U)

- **Moderator:** Hassan Shire/ Memory Bandera ED/DPA
- **Panelist 1:** Robert Kirenga, Executive Director
- **Panelist 2:** Onesmo Olengurumwa, Coordinator
- **Panelist 3:** Kamau Ngugi, Executive Director

The role of MDBs in the energy transition and critical minerals extraction
Location: TBA
Abstract: The need for climate action is urgent. Scaling-up electrification, electric mobility, and renewable energy development are important strategies to face the climate crisis. However, over 3 billion tons of metals and minerals are expected to be needed by 2050 to scale up renewable energy and electric mobility. The expansion of transition metals and minerals extraction, especially in the Global South, raises significant human rights, socio-economic and environmental concerns. This session will discuss implications for just and inclusive transitions in light of the fact that the WBG and other MDBs are taking an outstanding role in promoting and financing the critical mineral sector as part of their climate-related interventions.
Organizer: Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales

- **Moderator:** Leandro Gomez, Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales, Coordinator of Investment and Rights Program
- **Panelist 1:** Jessie Cato, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre, Natural Resources & Human Rights Programme Manager
- **Panelist 2:** Asia-Pacific Gathering on Human Rights and Extractives (TBC)
- **Panelist 3:** World Bank (TBC)
Enhancing Domestic Revenue Mobilisation through meaningful citizen participation in AfCFTA, and equitable resource allocation (IMF)

Location: TBA
Abstract: Mobilisation of domestic revenue to finance the realisation of SDGs is frustrated by institutionalised revenue leakages like Tax Expenditures. Similarly, the African Continental Free Trade Area, offers an opportunity for youth to actively participate in Africa’s development through trade, could be a revenue bleeding spot though free movement of goods & services.
Organizer: Centre for Budget and Tax Policy Africa
Co-sponsor: Youth for Tax Justice Network (YTJN), Oxfam in Uganda and Oxfam Kenya
- Moderator: Olwenyi Joseph, Oxfam in Uganda, Governance and Accountability Program Manager
- Panelist 1: Patrick Katabazi Kiconco, Centre for Budget and Tax Policy (CBTP), Executive Director
- Panelist 2: Moses Kagga, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Government of Uganda, Director Economic Affairs
- Panelist 3: IMF TBD
- Panelist 4: James Muraguri, Institute of Public Finance Kenya, Executive Director

Civic space and reprisals risks: missing elements in the assessment of development projects

Location: TBA
Abstract: Communities cannot meaningfully participate in development processes if those speaking out face reprisal risks. The panelists will reflect on the importance of evaluating civic space restrictions and addressing retaliation risks at the country/project levels, and present recommendations on how the World Bank can better enable meaningful participation.
Organizers: ARC, BIC, CHRD, Oxfam, and ICNL
- Moderator: Rebecca Vernon, Legal Advisor, International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL)
- Panelist 1: Rachel Nadelman, Policy Advisor, Accountability Research Center (ARC)
- Panelist 2: Ruslan Myatiev, Editor, Turkmen.news
- Panelist 3: Louise Cord (TBC), Global Director, World Bank

A question mark on human capital in MENA, review on WB programs, Morocco as a case study

Location: TBA
Abstract: In 2019, the World Bank announced its Expanded Strategy for the MENA region, prioritizing human capital development. This session will introduce a case study on youth inclusion in a World Bank program in Morocco. MENA CSOs will revisit the World Bank models to deliver sustainable outcomes in light of this strategy.
Organizers: Association Jeunes pour Jeunes, Arab Watch Coalition and Phenix Center for Economics & Informatics Studies are sponsoring the session.
- Moderator: Imene Cherif, Regional Program Manager, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung
- Panelist 1: Samir Samri, Board member, Association Jeunes pour Jeunes
- Panelist 2: Amy Ekdawi, Co-Executive Director, Arab Watch Coalition
- Panelist 3: Ahmad Awad, President, Phenix Center for Economics & Informatics Studies
- Panelist 4: Fanida Oubenaissa, Board member, Espace Point de Départ
### International financial architecture reform for a fair debt crisis resolution (IMF)

**Location:** TBA  
**Abstract:** As countries struggle with the worst debt crisis in decades, international financial architecture is failing to deliver on a fair debt resolution and there is no agreement on the direction that reforms should take. The panelists will discuss a range of proposals for reform, and how they could be delivered.

**Organizers:** Afrodad, APMDD, Latindadd, Jubilee USA, Eurodad, AAI, CAFOD, CESR, CA, Debt Justice Norway, Debt Justice UK, ESCR-Net, GPF, NCA, SID, TWN

- **Moderator:** Andrea Shalal, Senior Correspondent at Reuters (Washington, DC)
- **Panelist 1:** Mathew Martin, Director, Development Finance International
- **Panelist 2:** Patricia Miranda, Global Advocacy Director, Latindadd
- **Panelist 3:** Ceyla Pazarbasioglu, Director of the Strategy, Policy, and Review Department (SPR) of the IMF (TBC)
- **Panelist 4:** Marcelo Estevao, Global Director, Macroeconomics, Trade & Investment at the World Bank
- **Panelist 5:** Representative of the Zambian Finance Ministry

### Lunch and Networking

12:00pm - 1:30pm

### Accelerating equality through a gender-just green transition and COVID recovery: unlocking women’s and girls’ economic opportunities

**Location:** TBA  
**Abstract:** Persistent gender-gaps in the world of work provide testimony to the barriers to women’s economic justice. COVID has deepened gender inequalities and spillover effects from conflict and climate change are threatening women’s and girls’ livelihoods, food security and economic opportunities. Whilst the climate emergency nears the point of no return, an inclusive green transition holds break-through potential for accelerating gender equality and unlocking women’s economic opportunities. CARE’s study on “A gender-just green transition” provides evidence on how sustainable approaches to women’s entrepreneurship, formal and informal work, and redefining the concept of green jobs, can lead to a green, inclusive future.

**Organizers:** CARE International

- **Moderator:** Sofia Sprechmann Sineiro, CARE International, Secretary General
- **Panelist 1:** Amanda Mokoena, Climate Activist and Lecturer at the Department of African Feminist Studies, University of Cape Town
- **Panelist 2:** UK government FCDO representative (TBC)
- **Panelist 3:** Crystal Simeoni, Director, Nawi - AfrifemMacroeconomics Collective
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank (TBC)
How can the World Bank engage with civil society and care workers to build stronger national care systems?

Location: TBA

Abstract: The World Bank’s Invest in Childcare Initiative provides a new opportunity to strengthen national childcare approaches, and civil society can play a critical role in informing its design and implementation and mobilizing demand. Learn from advocates, care workers, and the World Bank itself on how to holistically strengthen national care systems.

Organizers: Early Childhood Development Action Network (ECDAN) and Oxfam


- **Moderator**: Elizabeth Lule, Executive Director, ECDAN
- **Panelist 1**: Amanda Devercelli/Frances Mary Beaton-Day, Global Lead for Early Childhood Development/ Education Consultant, World Bank
- **Panelist 2**: Ruth Oloo, WE-Care Programme Manager, Oxfam
- **Panelist 3**: Teresa Mwoma (TBC), ECD Network of Kenya (TBC)

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- **Panelist 2**: Moses Kaggwa, Director Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Government of Uganda
- **Panelist 3**: Dora Benedek, Deputy division chief of the Tax Policy 2 Division, IMF – Fiscal Affairs Department
- **Panelist 4**: James Muraguri, Executive Director, Institute of Public Finance Kenya

IFC, Uber and the gig economy: deregulation and labor flexibilization as a “women’s empowerment” strategy

Location: TBA

Abstract: This session considers whether IFC gig economy investments are consistent with the Bank’s gender strategy and women’s empowerment. Panelists will examine how gender empowerment claims are central to companies’ positive narratives and discuss relationships between corporations, IFIs, academia, citizens and the state, including issues of accountability, social protection and pinkwashing.

Organizers: Bretton Woods Project and Global Alliance for Tax Justice

- **Moderator**: Uma Rani, Senior Economist, ILO
- **Panelist 1**: Namita Datta, Lead: Solutions for Youth Employment (S4YE) Jobs Program, World Bank
- **Panelist 2**: Professor Kate Bedford, Birmingham Law School, Professor of Law
- **Panelist 3**: Alex Campbell, Director for the ITUC Global Unions Office, ITUC
- **Panelist 4**: Faith Lumonya, Feminist Development Economist, Akina Mama Wa Afrika
Protecting children in MDB projects: progress, challenges, and opportunities
Location: TBA
Abstract: This session highlights the World Bank’s progress towards preventing sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment, and what remains to be done to protect children impacted by World Bank projects. Experts from the World Bank, civil society, and academia will share their experiences addressing sexual exploitation and abuse of children in MDB-funded projects.
Organizers: Care and Protection of Children (CPC) Learning Network and Bank Information Center

- **Moderator:** Elana Berger, Executive Director, Bank Information Center
- **Panelist 1:** Maninder Gill, Global Director, Environmental and Social Framework, World Bank
- **Panelist 2:** Mark Canavera, Co-Director, Care and Protection of Children (CPC) Learning Network
- **Panelist 3:** Suraj Koirala, Managing Director, TPO Nepal
- **Panelist 4:** Adriana Kugler, U.S. Executive Director, World Bank

Establishing an IMF Independent Accountability Mechanism: Strengthening IMF accountability in the context of evolving challenges
Location: TBA
Abstract: This session will explore the contribution an independent accountability mechanism within the IMF would make to ensure that the institution is equipped to address the negative impacts of its programmes on communities and individuals increasingly at risk due to increasingly complex crises and the expansion of the IMF’s work.
Organizers: The Bretton Woods Project, Center for International Environmental Law, Accountability Counsel, Christian Aid, Kvinna till Kvinna, Arab Watch Coalition

- **Moderator:** David Hunter, Professor of Law, American University
- **Panelist 1:** Daniel Bradlow, SARChI Professor of International Development Law and African Economic Relations, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
- **Panelist 2:** Rhoda Weeks-Brown, General Counsel, IMF
- **Panelist 3:** Charles Collyns, Director, Independent Evaluation Office - IMF
- **Panelist 4:** Karim Belhaj, Director, Contrôler Public (CSO)

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