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(TENTATIVE SCHEDULE)

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12:00-1:30	<p>Networking and Lunch Break (Cafeteria options available in the I Building, MC Building, and IMF)</p>		
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4:30-6:00	<p>I 2-250 IFC, Uber and the gig economy: deregulation and labor flexibilization as a "women's empowerment" strategy Live: http://wrlld.bg/VswU50L3NzL</p>	<p>I 2-220 Protecting children in MDB projects: progress, challenges, and opportunities Live: http://wrlld.bg/VswU50L3NzL</p>	<p>HQ2-09B-073 Establishing an IMF Independent Accountability Mechanism: Strengthening IMF accountability in the context of evolving challenges Live: www.imf.org/cso</p>

Session Descriptions

DAY 3: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022

8:30am - 10:00am

The role of human rights defenders in addressing drivers and impacts of fragility, conflict, and violence in Africa

I 2-220

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

I 2-250

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

Co-sponsors: Business & Human Rights Resource Centre, Asia-Pacific Gathering on Human Rights and Extractives, Sustentarse, Coalition for Human Rights in Development, Bank Information Center, NGO Forum on ADB, Environics Trust, Fundeps

- **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:** Jaybee Garganera, National Coordinator of Asia-Pacific Gathering on Human Rights and Extractives.
- **Panelist 3:** Rachel Bernice Price, Senior Mining Specialist, World Bank
- **Panelist 4:** Maia Seeger: Executive Director of Sustentarse, Chile

10:30am -12:00pm

Transparency and accountability on Public Debt and SDRs Mechanism

HQ2-09B-073

Abstract: SDRs were issued to cushion the most vulnerable. While the IMF quota system ensured that most SDRs went to rich countries, transparency and accountability challenges, and high public debt servicing have all combined to prevent the SDRs mechanism from better responding to the rights and needs of vulnerable people.

Organizers: Budget Advocacy Network (BAN), Christian Aid, The Institute of Social Accountability Kenya (TISA), Action Aid, Debt Justice, Malawi Economic Justice Network, AFRODAD

- **Moderator:** Jason Braganza, Executive Director, AFRODAD (tbc)
- **Panelist 1:** Abu Bakarr Kamara, Coordinator, Budget Advocacy Network-Sierra Leone (in-person)
- **Panelist 2:** Emma Burgisser, Economic Justice Lead, Christian Aid (in-person)
- **Panelist 3 :** TBD, Ministry of Finance, Sierra Leone (in-person)
- **Panelist 4:** TBD, IMF representative

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

I 2-220

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:** Maninder S. Gill, Global Director, World Bank

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

I 2-250

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

11:30pm-12:45pm	<p>Winds of change: the future of tax reforms in Latin America HQ1-3-476</p> <p>Abstract: Inflation, high debt levels, recession and large fiscal deficits are amplifying inequality and extreme poverty worldwide. Countries are responding with spending cuts that will hurt the poor. However, Chile and Colombia are among the few countries taking an alternative path: taxing wealth which could bring more progressive and redistributive systems. Other countries in the world could learn from these experiences and choose alternatives to austerity in response to the crisis. This push for taxing wealth could also bring the IMF to give more impetus to progressive taxation in its advice to countries in these challenging times.</p> <p>Organizer: ICRICT</p> <p>Co-sponsors: Oxfam, GI – ESCR, LATINDADD, Red Justicia Fiscal America Latina</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Patricia Arce, EFE Agency • Panelist 1: Jose Antonio Ocampo, Minister of Finance, Colombia • Panelist 2: Claudia Sanhueza, Undersecretary, Ministry of Finance, Chile • Panelist 3: Ilan Goldfajn, Western Hemisphere Director, IMF • Panelist 4: Joseph Stiglitz, Co-Chair, Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT) • Panelist 5: Gabriela Bucher, Executive Director, Oxfam International
12:00pm - 1:30pm	<p>Lunch and Networking</p>
1:30pm - 3:00pm	<p>Accelerating equality through a gender-just green transition and COVID recovery: unlocking women’s and girls’ economic opportunities I 2-250</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Organizers: CARE International</p> <p>Co-sponsor: International Center for Research on Women (ICRW) – WeProsper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Maggie Kamau-Biruri, Africa Early Childhood Network Board Member • Panelist 1: Hana Bixi, Global Director for Gender, World Bank • Panelist 2: Liz Lloyd, CBE, Chief Impact Officer, British Investment International • Panelist 3: Corina Rodriguez Enriquez, Executive Committee Member at DAWN (Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era) • Panelist 4: Dr. Melania Chiponda, Climate Justice and Gender Lead, FEMNET Zimbabwe

How can the World Bank engage with civil society and care workers to build stronger national care systems?

I 2-220

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

Co-sponsors: Center for Global Development (CGD), Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO), The World Organization for Early Childhood Education (OMEP), Bretton Woods Project, International Domestic Workers Federation (IDWF), Mobile Creches, ECD Network of Kenya, Africa Early Childhood Network (AfECN), Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA), Arab Network for Early Childhood, International Step by Step Association (ISSA), Asia-Pacific Regional Network for Early Childhood (ARNEC), Uthabiti, and Care International.

- **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**)
- **Panelist 4:** Cherline Dos Santos, IDWF Affiliate and childcare worker, Brazil

Enhancing Domestic Revenue Mobilisation through meaningful citizen participation in AfCFTA, and equitable resource allocation

HQ2-09B-073

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.

Organizers: Centre for Budget and Tax Policy Africa

Co-sponsors: Youth for Tax Justice Network (YTJN), Oxfam in Uganda and Oxfam Kenya

- **Moderator:** Olwenyi Joseph, Governance and Accountability Program Manager, Oxfam in Uganda
- **Panelist 1:** Patrick Katabazi Kiconco, Executive Director, Centre for Budget and Tax Policy (CBTP), Uganda
- **Panelist 2:** Moses Kaggwa, Director Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, Government of Uganda
- **Panelist 3:** Sebastian Beer, Economist in the Tax Policy Division, IMF
- **Panelist 4:** James Muraguri, Executive Director, Institute of Public Finance Kenya

4:30pm - 6:00pm

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

I 2-250

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

I 2-220

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

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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:** Gina Barbieri, Ombudsperson, WWF Global Conservation Network
- **Panelist 1:** Daniel Bradlow, SARChI Professor of International Development Law and African Economic Relations, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria
- **Panelist 2:** Carla Garcia Zendejas, Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL) - Director, People, Land & Resources Program
- **Panelist 3:** Charles Collyns, Director, Independent Evaluation Office - IMF
- **Panelist 4:** Karim Belhaj, Director, Contrôler Public (CSO)
- **Panelist 5:** David Hunter, Professor of international and comparative environmental law at American University, Washington College of Law

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