



NOTIFICATION

Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development Eighth session

25–27 November 2024 Room XVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

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The eighth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development will be held from 25 to 27 November 2024 in room XVII of the Palais des Nations. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. on Monday, 25 November.

Background and purpose of the meeting

The substantive topic and guiding questions for the eighth session of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Financing for Development were approved by the Trade and Development Board through a silence procedure that ended on 30 April 2024. The substantive topic is "Addressing the cost of development finance to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals".

Information and documentation for this session will be made available at <u>Intergovernmental</u> Group of Experts on Financing for Development, eighth session.

Written contributions

In order to facilitate deliberations and the informal exchange of experiences and best practices on the topics to be discussed, member States and observers are requested to submit written contributions to the UNCTAD secretariat, by **Wednesday**, **6** November 2024.

Participation

This session is open to all member States of UNCTAD. Other organizations, including specialized agencies, intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations in the general and special categories, as well as academia and the private sector, may participate as observers.

Online registration is mandatory for all those wishing to attend the meeting and is required in order to be included in the list of participants.

Please register for the session at https://indico.un.org/event/1005812/.

Registration requires uploading an official letter of nomination to represent an organization at this meeting. For government representatives, a note verbale or an email from the permanent mission in Geneva will suffice.

Further inquiries regarding registration should be addressed to meetings-unctad@un.org.



Logistics

The session will be held with physical participation in room XVII of the Palais des Nations. Those who cannot attend the meeting in person will be able to listen to the live audio stream in the six official languages of the United Nations. The link to listen live will be sent to registered participants, at the email address used for registration, one day in advance of the start of the session.

Before entering the Palais des Nations, participants are requested to scan their badges at the United Nations Security Service, Pregny Gate entrance, 14 avenue de la Paix, 1202 Geneva. As part of the new system at the United Nations Office at Geneva, participants will receive a digital badge consisting of their photo, a quick response (QR) code and the name and date of the meeting. The digital badge will be sent to each participant by email once they have been accredited by the meeting organizer and should be downloaded to a mobile telephone or other mobile device. Participants may also print the digital badge in order to use the QR code. The Security Service is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the security measures in force, participants are strongly advised to arrive before 9 a.m. in order to complete entry procedures in good time and proceed to the meeting in Building E of the Palais. Participants are requested to carry a passport or similar national identity card with them. Taxis are not allowed to enter the grounds of the Palais des Nations. Visitors should therefore be dropped off at the indicated entrance gates. Furthermore, luggage may not be brought into the buildings unless the Security Service gives special clearance.

Further information and contact details

Substantive inquiries should be addressed to the Debt and Development Finance Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, tel: 41 22 917 8699; email: igeffd@unctad.org.

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