

Donors in Action

@EIB #EIBDonors

Innovative blending for big impact

AGENDA

12 November 2019

8:30 – 9:15 *Registration and coffee*

9:15 – 9:20 **Introduction**
Oliver Griffith, Master of Ceremony

9:20 – 10:10 **Opening session**
Werner Hoyer, President, European Investment Bank (EIB)
Sahar Nasr, Minister of Investment and International Cooperation, Egypt
Mourad Wahba, Acting Associate Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Arab States, United Nations Development Programme
Bertrand Piccard, Founder and Chairman, Solar Impulse Foundation
Pierre Gramegna, Minister of Finance, Luxembourg

10:15 – 10:30 **Signing ceremonies**
Paulette Lenert, Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs, Luxembourg, with President Hoyer and Minister Gramegna
Carole Dieschbourg, Minister for Environment, Climate and Sustainable Development, with President Hoyer and Minister Gramegna

10:30 – 11:30 **Bridging the gap – why financial inclusion matters for development**
Panellists will discuss why we need to bridge the financial inclusion gap and what the donor community can do to support this cause.
Hanan El Tabari, Manager Non-Financial Services, Microfund for Women
Katarína Matheriová, Deputy Director-General for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission
Massimiliano Paolucci, Special Representative to the EU, Belgium, Luxembourg and NATO, World Bank Group
Alexander Stubb, Vice-President, EIB
Birgitta Tazelaar, Deputy Director General for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands
Moderated by Oliver Griffith

11:30 – 11:45 *Coffee break*

11:45 – 13:15 **Donors in Action – stories from the ground**
Beneficiaries of donor-financed operations will share their stories and provide insight into how financial assistance is supporting local businesses and entrepreneurs.
Impact of microfinance on financial inclusion and female empowerment
Julia Assaad, Investment Officer, EIB
Youssef Fawaz, Executive Director, Al Majmoua
Zaza Pirtskhelava, CEO, JSC Credo Bank

Taking risk and boosting entrepreneurship

Fatoumata Ba, Founder and Executive Chair, Janngo

Enrico Canu, Head of Equity Unit, EIB

The power of financial guarantees

Hubert Cottogni, Head of Mandate Management, European Investment Fund

Investing in climate change adaptation

Martin Berg, Head of Environmental Funds and Climate Finance Policy, EIB

Lorenzo Bernasconi, Managing Director Innovative Finance, Rockefeller Foundation

Sanjay J. Wagle, Managing Director, The Lightsmith Group

13:15 – 14:15

Networking lunch and National Geographic exhibition tour

14:15

Afternoon welcome – Christoph Kuhn, Director Mandates Management, EIB

14:15 – 14:20

Signing Ceremony

Eva Kracht, Deputy Director General European Policy, Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Germany, with Christoph Kuhn

14:20 – 14:30

Keynote address

Marcin Przydacz, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Poland

14:30 – 15:20

Exploring new partnerships for development

During this interactive session, donors and partners will discuss their development priorities and explain why they choose to work with the EIB.

Marjeta Jager, Deputy Director-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

Holm Keller, Executive Chairman, KENUP Foundation

Eva Kracht, Deputy Director General European Policy, Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Germany

Anja Langenbacher, Director of Europe, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Siegfried Christian Leffler, Director, GIZ Representation Brussels

Moderated by **Oliver Griffith**

15:20 – 15:25

Address by Ambroise Fayolle, Vice-President, EIB

15:25 – 16:25

Blended finance – governance, solutions and scalability

Blended finance is an innovative tool to mobilise investment and help development projects become economically viable. During this session, blended finance experts will address how they implement blended finance in practice and how they see the future of this new business line.

Christoph Kuhn, Director, Mandate Management, EIB

Elvira Lefting, Managing Director, Finance in Motion

Alan Rousso, Managing Director, EBRD

Paul Horrocks, Head of Unit, Private Finance for Sustainable Development, OECD

Martin Spicer, Director Blended Finance, International Finance Corporation

Moderated by **Christopher Clubb**, Managing Director, Convergence

16:25 - 16:30

Closing remarks - Dario Scannapieco, Vice-President, EIB

16:30 – 18:00

Cocktail reception