

SDG BUSINESS FORUM 2017 – DRAFT AGENDA

18 JULY 2017

CONFERENCE ROOM 1

UN HQ

Draft Concept Note:

Following the success of last year's inaugural forum, the second annual SDG Business Forum will take place at the United Nations on 18 July 2017 during the ministerial segment of the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development. The 2030 Agenda recognizes the critical role of business in delivering on the promise of sustainable and inclusive development. The business case for sustainable development is based on the understanding that business and social values are inextricably linked and business efforts to improve lives and strengthen local communities can also have long term bottom line benefits. The private sector has been invited to share its support for the Agenda during the HLPF at the SDG Business Forum.

Co-hosted by the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN-DESA), and the UN Global Compact, and organized in collaboration with the Global Business Alliance (GBA) for 2030, the SDG Business Forum will convene leaders from business and government, together with the heads of UN agencies, key international organizations, and civil society groups to delve into the role business will play in delivering the 2030 Agenda. Featuring a showcase review of business engagement on the 7 goals in focus at this year's HLPF, as well as individual sessions examining investment, partnerships, and monitoring, this event will foster robust dialogue between governments and the private sector on critical issues and the way forward. The Forum will report on significant achievements and commitments undertaken by business and gauge private sector efforts to catalyze sustainable growth and development during this critical implementation phase. Ranging from SMEs to multinational corporations, the global business community is committed to contribute to the success of the 2030 Agenda and the realization of a long-lasting, prosperous future for all.

Draft Agenda:

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| 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM | High-Level Opening/Welcome Remarks
Speakers: President of ECOSOC, Hosts - DESA (Mr. Wu), ICC (John Danilovich), UNGC (Lise Kingo), UN DSG TBC, Developing Country Government Minister, SME, CSO |
| 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM | Session 1: Private Sector Investing in the SDGs
Led by: FFDO, ICC, IFC, WBCSD
Moderator:
Speakers: |
| 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM | Session 2: Reporting Business Progress on the SDGs
Led by: UNGC, IFA, GSMA |

Moderator:

Speakers:

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Session 3: Experience of Business Engagement with Governments

Led by: DSD, UNF, IRU

Moderator:

Speakers:

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Lunch Break

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Rapid-Fire Presentations on Goals in Focus

Led by: IAFN

SME and MNC perspectives for each goal

Moderator:

Goal 1:

Goal 2:

Goal 3:

Goal 5:

Goal 9:

Goal 14:

Goal 17:

5:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Closing Remarks

Speakers: