



UNDP/AFD workshop

Financing the 2030 Agenda in the Least Developed Countries (LDCs): Diversifying the Financing Tool-box and Managing Vulnerability

7 March 2016

9AM – 17:00PM

Location : Agence Française de Développement Headquarters
5 Rue Roland Barthes, 75012 Paris France

Objectives:

- Take stock of vulnerabilities and constraints, achievements and financing options
- Formulate recommendations as to new financing options for LDCs

Draft Agenda

Introduction (9:00 – 9:30 AM)

9:00 Welcome Coffee/Tea

9:20 Welcome and introduction by Philippe Orliange, AFD

Session 1: Financing for Development in LDCs: Where do we stand? (9:30 AM – 1:00 PM)

Plenary (Moderator and opening remarks: Romilly Greenhill, ODI)

9:30 Overview of the aims of the AFD/UNDP research (Gail Hurley, UNDP and Tancredè Voiturez, IDDRI)

9:50 Sharing country level experiences on financing opportunities and constraints in a changing financing landscape (Abou-Bakar Traore, Mali, and Gabriel Curtis, Guinea)

10:20 Financing sustainable development, addressing vulnerabilities: Presentation of the key themes of the FERDI report (Patrick Guillaumont, FERDI)

10:30 Open discussion

11:00 – 11:20 Coffee break

11:20 – 12:20: Taking stock of financing needs and constraints - Breakout groups

Group 1: The implications of financing “transformation” at the country level. What does the 2030 Agenda for transformation actually mean for LDCs? Introductory remarks and discussion led by Armand Rioust de Largentaye, AFD and Raundi Halvorson–Quevado, OECD.

Group 2: Financial instruments to reduce vulnerability - what is needed? What works? What could work? Introductory remarks and discussion led by Matthieu Boussichas, FERDI and Samantha Attridge, Commonwealth Secretariat.

Group 3: The costs and opportunities of graduation: Introductory remarks and discussion led by Stephanie Blankenburg, UNCTAD and Matthew Martin, DRI.

12:20-13:00 Plenary (Moderator: Yves Guicquero, AFD)

12:20 Report back by each of the three rapporteurs (5-7 minutes each).

12:40 Open discussion and summary of main points

**Lunch break (buffet lunch provided)
(1:00 -2:00 PM)**

**Session 2: Financing sustainable development in the LDCs:
Expanding the financing toolbox
(2:00 – 5:00 PM)**

Plenary (Moderator and opening remarks: Olivier Lafourcade, I&P)

14:05 Options for sharing risks and scaling-up financing (Paul Collier, University of Oxford)

14:15 Leveraging long-term private financing: from intention to action (Serena Guarnaschelli, Dalberg)

14: 25 Changes in donor preferences, the “modernization” of ODA and new measures of development finance: the implications for LDCs (Raundi Halvorson–Quevado, OECD)

14:35 Open discussion

15:00– 15:45 Breakout groups – brainstorming session

Formulation of key recommendations and messages for the AFD/UNDP joint research initiative

Key question for deliberation:

- What financing initiatives, vehicles, platforms, or instruments would be worth launching or promoting during the Antalya LDC Conference, 27-29 May, 2016?

Group 1: Making financing “transformative” in LDCs

Moderator: Rolf Traeger, UNCTAD

Group 2: Addressing vulnerability in the XXIst century

Moderator: Marianne Mensah, AFD and Celine Miannay, AFD

Group 3: Delivering on graduation

Moderator: Nergis Gulasan, UNDP

15:45-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:00 Plenary (Moderator: Gail Hurley, UNDP)

16:00 Report back by each of three rapporteurs (up to 10 minutes each).

16:30 Open discussion, summary and next steps (Nergis Gulasan, UNDP and Tancrède Voiturez, IDDRI).

17:00 Adjourn