

**SIDE EVENT at the Third International Conference on
Financing for Development (FfD)
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | 13 July 2015 (15:30 PM – 18:00 PM) |
Sholla 1, Radisson BLU Hotel**

Priorities of the Turkish G20 Presidency with particular focus on Development

Turkish G20 Presidency
in collaboration with
Civil-20, Think-20 and Network of Southern Think-Tanks (NeST)

2015 is a pivotal year for international development agenda. Under Turkey's presidency, the G20's priorities for 2015 are defined within the framework of inclusiveness, implementation and investment, with a focus on low income developing countries (LIDCs) for strong, sustainable and inclusive growth in the global economy. In this context, the Turkish G20 Presidency has placed development at the center of its agenda.

Programme:

15:30-16:15 High Level Section

This section will provide the opportunity for FfD Conference participants to discuss the development work being undertaken by the G20 in 2015, with particular reference to the G20's support to the global development agenda.

Opening Remarks by Ambassador Ayşe Sinirlioğlu, Turkey's G20 Sherpa

Keynote Address by Mr. Ali Babacan, Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey

High-ranking representatives from LIDC representatives will be invited to participate in the discussion on the concrete ways and means in which the G20 is contributing to the global development agenda. Discussion topics will include the G20's work on tax, remittances, infrastructure, food security, human resource development and Small and Medium Size Enterprises (SMEs).

These topics are also part of the FfD process. As such, it will provide added value to the Conference for the G20's work on these issues to be discussed by interested stakeholders.

16:15-16:30: Coffee Break

16:30-18:00 Panel Section: Addressing Inequalities and Inclusive Growth within Financing for Development

Panel Discussion will be organized in collaboration with Civil-20, Think-20 and the Network of Southern Think Tanks (NeST).

The panel discussion aims to create a participatory platform for discussion of the linkages between issues such as sustainable infrastructure, investment, increasing productive capabilities, and inclusive growth at national, regional and global levels.

Specifically, the discussion will explore the overlap between Sustainable Development Goal 17, which focuses on strengthening implementation and revitalization of the global partnership for sustainable development, and the agendas of both Financing for Development and the G20 in 2015.

To this end, sub-issues that fall within Sustainable Development Goal 17 will form a critical part of the discussion in this event. These issues include enhancing North-South, South-South and triangular regional/international cooperation; access to science, technology and innovation; and ideas for increasing the productive capabilities for sustainable development.

Mechanism for driving public as well as private investment to LIDCs, bridging the infrastructure gap and effective regulatory frameworks for sustainable development will be among issues to be investigated in the panel discussion.

Key-note Address by Amar Bhattacharya, Senior Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution

Panelists:

- Zeynep Bodur Okyay, C20 Chair
- Ussal Sahbaz, T20, Director of G20 Studies Center, TEPAV
- Neissan Alessandro Besharati, South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA)
- Dr. Fanwell Kenala Bokosi, AFRODAD

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