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Agenda for the meeting of the General Assembly International Forum on TOSSD 21 - 22 May 2024 Oslo, Norway

Tuesday 21 May 2024

13:00 Opening

Norway's State Secretary Bjørg Sandkjær and the Secretariat will welcome the participants to the meeting that will formally constitute the first General Assembly of the International Forum on TOSSD (IFT). Interventions by Norway and the Secretariat will be followed by opening remarks of the two co-Chairs of the IFT Interim Governing Body – Mr. Laurent Sarazin (EU) and Mr. Risenga Maluleke (South Africa) – and the signatories of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the hosting of the IFT Secretariat by the OECD.

14:00 Item 1. Appointment of the Members of the IFT Steering Group

The Secretariat will present the status of the IFT membership (countries, territories and intergovernmental organisations) as of 20 May 2024 and share information on the financial and in-kind contributions that are relevant to the appointment of the Steering Group.

The Secretariat will also present any applications for IFT membership or observership received for approval by the General Assembly.

The Secretariat will propose, for designation by the General Assembly, two co-Chairs, namely Mr Risenga Maluleke from South Africa and Mr Laurent Sarazin from the European Union, currently acting as co-Chairs of the IFT Interim Governing Body. As per the IFT terms of reference (TORs), one of the co-Chairs will be appointed for one year and the other for two years.¹

The designated co-Chairs will invite the General Assembly to appoint the Steering Group members. In line with the IFT's Terms of Reference (TORs), all IFT Members providing the minimum financial yearly contribution as indicated in the financial provisions agreed upon when the Forum was established, or in-kind contributions as indicated in section 2.a of the TORs (staff secondments, or the organisation of in-person General Assembly or Steering Group meetings), are entitled to sit on the Steering Group. Other members of the Steering Group will be appointed by the General Assembly to ensure the balanced composition set out in Table 3.1 of the TORs (copied below for ease of reference). In this context, the General Assembly will take into account in-kind contributions including but not limited to those mentioned in Section 2.a of the TORs.

¹ Subsequently, an appointment process will be organised every year but will concern only one of the co-Chair's positions. This is to ensure continuity of work and appropriate institutional memory, while ensuring regular rotation in the co-Chairmanship of the Forum.



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Table 3.1. Composition of the Steering Group

Composition	Number of members
Co-Chair	1
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Traditional providers	8
Dual providers / recipients	8
Intergovernmental organisations	4
Recipient countries	8
Total	30
Other attendees	
Chairs of the active working groups	Based on the number of working groups
Permanent Observer – UNCTAD	1
Permanent Observer – CSOs	1
Other Observers	Maximum 8

- > For reference: IFT Terms of Reference
- Presentation: Status of IFT Membership and Observership as of 20 May 2024

15:00 Break

15:15 Item 2. Highlights from TOSSD data collection on 2022 activities and using TOSSD data for analyses on financing for sustainable development

The Secretariat will present key figures and findings of the 2023 TOSSD data collection on 2022 activities, covering Pillar I, Pillar II and mobilised private finance, and comment on the scope of using TOSSD data for trend analyses. It will showcase the use of TOSSD data for the Voluntary National Reviews and invite discussion on their use for the Integrated National Financing Frameworks.

The CSO Observer will present five studies jointly produced by ActionAid, Oxfam America and AidWatch Canada on TOSSD: analysis of TOSSD trends; allocation of financial flows to SDGs; analysis of support to International Public Goods (TOSSD Pillar II); TOSSD allocation by selected provider countries; and TOSSD receipts by selected partner countries².

Participants will be invited to comment on the two presentations and brainstorm on: i) how to best reach out to recipient countries to share TOSSD data and ii) how to best promote TOSSD in monitoring global commitments on financing for sustainable development.

- Presentation by the Secretariat
- Presentation by the CSOs
- Intervention by TOSSD recipients

16:45 Meeting adjourns

17:00 Social event

² The papers are available at <u>https://www.aidwatchcanada.ca/</u>



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9:00 Item 3. Experience in TOSSD reporting on 2022 activities

The Secretariat will present a paper summarising key quality aspects of TOSSD 2022 data, including the coverage and comparability of data across providers, reporting on sustainability, and the use of TOSSD classifications. Participants will be invited to provide their feedback and signal any other issues they have faced in their reporting process. The session will also serve to identify specific areas or topics for further development of the TOSSD statistical standard and methodology to ensure that TOSSD continues to evolve and meet the requirements of all stakeholder groups.

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- Paper: Experience in TOSSD reporting on 2022 activities
- Presentation

10:30 Break

10:45 Item 4. Peer learning: an incremental approach towards reporting in TOSSD

The IFT General Assembly is a unique opportunity to foster peer learning among TOSSD reporters. The Secretariat will moderate an interactive session on TOSSD reporting. Some TOSSD reporters will be invited to start the conversation about the approach they have applied to collecting TOSSD data in their agencies or at the national level, the challenges faced and lessons learnt. Other TOSSD reporters will then be invited to join the conversation to share their own experiences.

11:45 Closing remarks

The co-Chairs will summarise the key outcomes of the meeting, including any decisions or action points.

12.00 Close of meeting