Join the NGO Committees on Financing for Development and Social Development for a Panel Discussion at the World Bank during the Civil Society Policy Forum

Financing Tools for Reducing Social Inequalities

FREE EVENT

Speakers

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Moderators

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**Date:** Wednesday April 13, 2016  
**Time:** 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm  
**Location:** World Bank, Room I2-210, 1818 H Street, NW Washington, DC 20433 USA  
**Questions?** Contact Marc Jourdan: marc@globalfoundationdd.org

This event is open to World Bank & IMF pass holders or pre-registered participants of the 2016 Civil Society Forum
In July 2015, world leaders at the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia reached an agreement to provide a global framework for financing sustainable development, including important policy commitments relating to infrastructure, social protection and technology.

Two months later, following years of consultations and negotiations, UN Member States formally adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, embracing ambitious goals on global priorities including ending poverty and hunger, reducing social inequality, tackling climate change, and preserving the planet’s natural resources.

Finally, in December, after weeks of tireless negotiations at the United Nations climate change conference (COP21) the 195 Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change pledged to curb emissions, strengthen resilience and join to take common climate actions. This outcome aims to prevent loss and damage for those that are most vulnerable to climate impacts, and enable financial support for developing countries for adaptation and mitigation measures.

One thing is clear, adequate financing will be required to achieve these ambitious agendas. But there is growing recognition that financing must be leveraged in ways that will reduce global inequalities, which cripple participation in decision-making processes, lead to higher levels of social isolation, undermine economic vitality, and distort perceptions of human capacity.

A central question to be addressed, then, is how the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and the Paris Climate Agreement can serve as instruments to reduce inequalities and encourage a people-centered approach to strengthening social development and care for the future of our planet?

Join the NGO Committees on Financing for Development and Social Development during the Civil Society Policy Forum on Wednesday April 13, 2016 from 2:00pm to 3:30pm at the World Bank for an interactive debate with high-level representatives from the United Nations, the World Bank, the IMF, Member State delegates and civil society experts, as we look to understand how each stakeholder in the development arena can use the tools of financing for development to help overcome the challenges ahead and make these bold agendas a reality.