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### Day 4 – Friday, October 7, 2016

#### Leadership Development: The Missing Piece in Improving Global Education

9:00 – 10:30 am

Room: I2-210

*Sponsor: Teach for All*

##### Panellists:

- Wendy Kopp, CEO and Co-founder of Teach For All (moderator)
- Rebecca Winthrop, Senior Fellow and Director of the Center for Universal Education at the Brookings Institution
- Luis Benveniste, Practice Manager, Global Engagement and Knowledge at the World Bank
- Emiliana Vegas, Chief of the Education Division at the Inter-American Development Bank
- Sishir Khanal, CEO of Teach For Nepal

This session will further an understanding of how to meet our shared goal of achieving inclusive and equitable education for all as part of the UN's 2030 Development Agenda. Achieving this goal by 2030 requires developing local leadership capacity to build lasting and sustainable change.

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#### Accountability for Community Concerns About Project Impacts: The Role of Management

9:00 – 10:30 am

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*Sponsor: Compliance Advisor/Ombudsman (CAO), World Bank*

##### Panellists:

- Osvaldo Gratacos, VP and CAO
- IFC Representative
- Bank Group Board Representative
- CSO Representative
- Accountability Mechanism Representative

CAO is the independent recourse and accountability mechanism for IFC and MIGA. The CAO mandate includes addressing complaints from people affected by IFC and MIGA projects through its dispute resolution and compliance functions. This session will discuss good practice in the role that the management of development banks play in responding to community complaints.

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#### The Role of the World Bank in Advancing Citizens' Access to Information in the Context of the Bank's Reforms

9:00 – 10:30 am

Room: I2-250

*Sponsor: Centre for Law and Democracy*

##### Panellists:

- Janmejay Singh, Senior Strategy and Operations Officer, World Bank (Moderator)
- Toby McIntosh, Editor, Freedom Info (US)
- Edataen Ojo, Director, Media Rights Agenda (Nigeria)

- Deborah L. Wetzel, Senior Director, Governance, World Bank

This session will examine the role of the World Bank in advancing citizens' access to information globally, including at the national level in countries around the world – for example, through supporting the development and implementation of access to information laws – and through multilateral initiatives such as the Sustainable Development Goals – for example, by helping to develop indicators for relevant goals.

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### Government Bonds and Responsible Finance

9:00 – 10:30 am

Room: IMF HQ2 03B-838

*Sponsor: Debt Justice Norway*

**Panellists:**

- Mark Flanagan, Assistant Director, Division Chief, Debt Policy Division,
- Strategy Policy and Review Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- Tirivangani Mutazu, Senior Policy Analyst, The African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD)
- Jose Oyola: Ph.D, CPA
- Ingrid Harvold Kvandgraven, Report author, PhD Student in Economics at The New School

Many African states that received debt cancellation through the HIPC Initiative have accumulated debt at a rapid pace over the past decade, particularly through the issuance of government bonds on the international capital markets. While responsible lending and borrowing has been pushed for bilateral and multilateral borrowing, the responsible lending aspect pertaining to investments in governmental bonds has not been appropriately addressed. This session starts with the launch of the report "Bond to happen?" that looks at bonds issuance in Nigeria, Zambia and Ghana and continues with a panel discussion on government bonds as a debt issue.

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### Next Steps on Sovereign Debt Restructuring

10:45 – 12:15 pm

Room: IMF HQ2 03B-838

*Sponsors: Jubilee USA & Massey College*

**Panellists:**

- Brett House, Massey College (Moderator)
- Eric LeCompte, Jubilee USA

While recent years have seen a number of advances in both institutional and market-oriented elements of sovereign-debt restructuring process, ongoing and emerging debt-related financial vulnerabilities and crises in a range of countries highlight the continued need for urgent, additional efforts to make our rescheduling and restructuring processes more effective and efficient. This session aims to identify possible next steps in continued reform of sovereign debt and financial crisis response mechanisms and enhance momentum on this critical policy issue.

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### Mapping a Sustainable Future: Open GeoSpatial Data and Tools for Sustainable Development

11:00 – 12:30 pm

Room: I2-210

*Sponsors: ENR (Environment), World Bank*

**Panellists:**

- Marianne Fay, Chief Economist, Sustainable Development Practice Group, World Bank
- Julia Bucknall, Acting Senior Director, Environment and Natural Resources Management Global Practice, World Bank
- Janet Ranganathan, VP for Science and Research, World Resources Institute (WRI)

- Lilian Pintea, VP Conservation Science, Jane Goodall Institute
- Charles Iceland, Aqueduct Director, WRI
- Jill Blockus, Director, The Nature Conservancy (TNC) - represented by Aparna Sridhar
- Karin Krchnak, Director, Freshwater Program, World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF)
- Nagaraja Rao Harshdeep, Global Lead – Watersheds, The World Bank

CSOs and the World Bank strongly advocate open public-domain data for transparency and evidence-based development decisions, and support innovations in using cutting-edge spatial data services and tools for sustainable development. This session showcases recent innovations with a particular focus on environment, climate, water and other natural resources management for tangible impact to stimulate dialogue, and spark new synergies and partnerships in this exciting and rapidly-evolving space. Short presentations will be made by representatives of WRI, TNC, WWF, and the World Bank to stimulate discussions facilitated by online audience polling.

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#### **The New World Bank Environmental and Social Framework (ESF): Opportunities**

11:00 – 12:30 am

Room: I2-220

*Sponsor: Operations Policy and Country Services (OPCS) – World Bank*

**Link to live stream:**

[https://www.youtube.com/embed/x2BDzuPus8I?feature=player\\_detailpage](https://www.youtube.com/embed/x2BDzuPus8I?feature=player_detailpage)

On August 4, 2016, the World Bank's Board of Executive Directors approved a new Environmental and Social Framework (ESF) to help protect people and the environment in the investment projects it finances. The new safeguards framework broadens coverage and access and makes important advances in areas such as transparency, non-discrimination, social inclusion, public participation, and accountability. The framework seeks to promote sustainable development through capacity and institution-building and will enhance efficiency for both the Borrower and the Bank. This session will discuss the operational opportunities and challenges going forward with the implementation of the ESF.

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#### **New Methods for a New Century: Planning for Energy Security and Energy Access in the Modern Era**

11:00 – 12:30 pm

Room: I2-250

*Sponsors: Sierra Club & Practical Action*

**Panellists:**

- Allison Archambault, CEO, EarthSpark International (invited)
- Visar Azemi, Kosovo Civil Society Consortium for Sustainable Development
- Morgan Bazilian, Lead Energy Specialist, World Bank (invited)
- Aaron Leopold, Global Representative, Practical Action
- Sasanka Thilakasiri, Oxfam America
- Alina Zagaytova, First Solar (invited)

The evidence is clear that current energy financing practices, and energy planning practices in poor countries, are inadequate to achieve global climate and universal energy access goals. Using challenging case studies from four countries (Bangladesh, Kenya, Kosovo, and Togo), this session will discuss both problems with current energy financing and planning practices, and also a new, inexpensive and immediately actionable approach to socially-inclusive, bottom-up energy planning can radically improve energy access economies, timelines, delivery, and effectiveness. The audience will then hear from civil society, private sector and MDB representatives discussing opportunities to improve energy financing and decision-making.

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### Civil Society and Development: Six Global Trends and Lessons from Nigeria

2:00 – 3:30 pm

Room: I2-210

*Sponsors: Africa Middle East Progressive Initiative (AMEPI) & Partnership for Transparency Fund (PTF)*

#### Panellists:

- Amy Ekdawi, Regional Programs Director, Bank Information Center (BIC) (Chair and Moderator)
- Steven Shalita, Manager for Communications in the Africa External Communications and Partnership (AFREC) Unit, World Bank
- Vinay Bhargava, Chief Technical Officer, PTF
- Omotola Oshifeso, President, AMEPI
- Kemi Adeosun, Honorable Minister of Finance (Nigeria) (TBC)

This session will allow CSO's, policymakers and stakeholders to generate ideas and actions that can help to expedite the development and implementation of effective policies. It will give credibility to the policy development process and the policies that evolve. The panel will also generate awareness and discussion about roles local civil society is expected to play in Agenda 2030 implementation at national levels and the challenges facing them in effectively performing these roles. In particular the session will discuss ways and means for multi-lateral development banks to support local civil society to carry out its expected roles.

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### Accelerating Action on Universal Health Coverage: How to Increase Public Financing and End Out-of-Pocket Spending

4:00 – 5:30 pm

Room: I2-220

*Sponsors: ONE Campaign & Oxfam International*

#### Panellists:

- Michael Myers, Managing Director, Rockefeller Foundation (Moderator) (TBC)
- Ernesto Zedillo, former President of Mexico, member of the Elders (TBC)
- Tim Evans, Senior Director, Global Practice on Health, Nutrition and Population, World Bank (TBC)
- Minister for Budget Planning, Government of Nigeria (TBC)
- Winnie Byanyima, Executive Director, Oxfam International
- Claire Leigh, Director of Policy and Research, Save the Children UK
- Mwambu Wanendeya, Executive Director - Africa, ONE Campaign
- Representative from Thai, South African, or other champion government (TBC)

100 million people are pushed into poverty every year because they have to pay out-of-pocket for healthcare; meanwhile, government spending on health is insufficient to make Universal Health Coverage (UHC) a reality in many countries. This session will look at how national governments and global institutions can move "from words to action" to increase public financing for health and remove out-of-pocket payments, in order to meet the SDG targets on health, especially UHC. It will look at what more the World Bank can do to support countries to remove user fees including in public health facilities, and examine how governments can increase domestic resources for health – looking at current plans and efforts in Nigeria, Malawi and beyond.

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### Dialogue for Sustainable Livelihood for Women and Girls Through Agriculture

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Room: I2-250

*Sponsor: Koyenum Immalah Foundation*

#### Panellists:

- MacDonald Ekemezie, Koyenum Immalah Foundation (Moderator)
- Faith Nwadishi, Koyenum Immalah Foundation

This session aims to strengthen the Global approach to enhance inclusivity and voice of women and girls in sustainable livelihood through agriculture in extractive impact communities that ensures poverty reduction and is linked to World Bank policies on sustainable livelihood. This will be a moderated roundtable discussion that will exchange ideas and practices from across the globe. The shared experiences will be galvanized into a working tool by CSOs and communities to focus on strategies for improved yield in agriculture and quality of life for women and girls in extractive-impacted communities.

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### **Global Finance and Domestic Resource Mobilization in Africa: Meeting the Challenge of Financing the Sustainable Development Goals**

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*Sponsor: Third World Network – Africa (TWN-Africa)*

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**Panellists:**

- Tetteh Hormeku-Ajei, TWN-Africa (Moderator)

This session will explore a range of ideas, options and initiatives on the interface between global/international financial frameworks and architecture on the one hand, and national policies and mechanisms on finance in Africa, as well as the opportunities for devising appropriate national approaches with related possible reforms of the global system to meeting the challenge of the substantial resources needed to realize the sustainable development goals.

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### **Tackling Inequality: Previewing an Index on How Governments are Doing**

2:00 – 3:30 pm

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*Sponsor: Oxfam International*

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**Panellists:**

- Max Lawson, Head of Inequality Policy, Oxfam International (Moderator)
- Paul Romer, Chief Economist, World Bank (TBC)
- Catherine Patillo, Head of Low-Income Countries Strategy Unit, IMF (TBC)
- Matthew Martin, Director, Development Finance International (TBC)
- Winnie Byanyima, Executive Director, Oxfam International
- Saviour Mwamba, Policy Director, Tax Justice Network Africa (TBC)

This session will discuss the importance of tackling the inequality crisis, and its impact on poverty reduction and sustainable development efforts. The panel will also showcase and discuss initial results of Oxfam's new Commitment to Reducing Inequality index, which ranks 150 governments on their efforts to fight inequality, looking at spending, taxation and labor rights.

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