

IMF CONFERENCE: SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT SCALING UP IN LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES

November 30, 2010

Venue: IMF: HQ2-01A-830, Conference Hall 2 (Visitors should enter through 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue)

Tuesday, November 30

9:00–9:15 AM Opening Remarks - Mr. Min Zhu, Special Advisor to the Managing Director, IMF

9:15-10:15 AM Plenary Session

Moderator: Prof. Paul Collier (Oxford University)

Speaker 1: Prof. Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia University), "Africa's Infrastructure: A Transformative Agenda"

Speaker 2: Prof. Pierre-Richard Agénor (University of Manchester), "Public Capital and Growth: New Channels"

10:15–11:30 AM Session 1: Institutions, Investment efficiency, and the investment growth nexus

Chair: Sanjeev Gupta (IMF)

Speaker 1: Luis Serven (World Bank), "Infrastructure: Quantity, Quality and Returns"

Speaker 2: Chris Papageorgiou (IMF), "Investing in Public Investment: An Index of Public Investment Management Quality"

Speakers 3: Andrew Berg (IMF), "Public Investment, Growth, and Debt Sustainability: Putting Together the Pieces"

Speaker 4: Prof. Newman Kusi (Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, Republic of Ghana), "Public Investment in the Republic of Ghana"

11:30-11:45 AM ***Coffee Break***

11:45–1:00 PM Session 2. Sustainable Financing

Chair: Aart Kraay (World Bank)

Speaker 1: Matthew Martin (Development Finance International), "The debt sustainability outlook for LICs"

Speaker 2: Prof. Andrea Presbitero (Università Politecnica delle Marche), "Assessing Debt Sustainability"

Speaker 3: Kampeta Sayinzoga (Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, Republic of Rwanda), "The Debt Sustainability Framework: Rwanda's Perspective"

Speaker 4: François Painchaud (IMF) "Improving the Debt Sustainability Framework: A Work Agenda"

1:00-2:30 PM ***Lunch***

2:30-4:00 PM Session 3: Meeting the Investment Financing Challenges: Use of Some Alternative Channels

Moderator: Jyrki Koskelo (Vice President, Global Industries, IFC)

Panelists: Conor McCoole (Managing Director, Head of Project Finance, Asia, Standard Chartered Bank)

Brent de Jong (Co-Head Special Situations, Ashmore Investment Management Limited)

Susan Lund (Director of Research, McKinsey Global Institute)

H.E. Abdoulaye Diop (Minister of State, Minister of Economy and Finance, Republic of Senegal)

4:00–4:15 PM ***Coffee Break***

4:15–5:45 PM Policy Panel

Moderator: Antoinette Sayeh, Director, IMF African Department

Panelists: Prof. Paul Collier (Oxford University)

Peng Dai (Export-import Bank of China)

Delphine d'Amarzit, (Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, France)

Gajendra Haldea (Planning Commission, India)