

# PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

## ABU DHABI, UAE



as of 31 May 2023

16-20 OCTOBER 2023

### Monday, 16 October

#### Morning

- ▶ Grand Opening of WIF 2023
- ▶ Opening of the Investment Village
- ▶ Opening of the Youth Forum (in partnership with UNCTAD Youth)
- ▶ Symposium on Developing Public Sector Sustainability Reporting Standards That the World Needs
- ▶ Promoting Investment in the Blue Economy (in partnership with WAIPA and CAIPA)

- ▶ Leaders Luncheon: 14th meeting of the Investment Advisory Council (in partnership with ICC)

#### Afternoon

- ▶ Global Leaders Investment Summit
- ▶ Opening of the Academic Track: Research and Policy Dialogue
- ▶ D-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation - UNCTAD Guiding Principles for Investment (in partnership with D-8)
- ▶ Opening of the Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: investing in transforming agrifood systems (in partnership with FAO)

- ▶ Gala dinner and United Nations Investment Promotion Awards Ceremony: Promoting investment for climate action

### Tuesday, 17 October

#### Morning

- ▶ World Economic Forum-UNCTAD joint breakfast event: Invest tech
- ▶ Global Investment Game Changers Summit: Ground-breaking solutions for a better future
- ▶ SSE Global Dialogue (in partnership with UNGC, UNEP and PRI)
- ▶ 40th ISAR Opening
- ▶ Global Investment Promotion Conference: Investing in the energy transition
- ▶ WAPPP Annual Congress
- ▶ Industry 4.0 and the Future of Global Investment Summit Roundtable: Small Island Developing States and Investment Guarantees (organized and facilitated by MIGA)
- ▶ Youth Forum
- ▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Strategic foresight to explore alternative future scenarios related to sustainable agrifood systems for food security

- ▶ SSE Leaders luncheon
- ▶ IPA Executive luncheon (in partnership with WAIPA)

#### Afternoon

- ▶ Game Changing Solutions for Sustainable Development: Health
- ▶ Tripartite Dialogue of Parliamentarians, Policymakers and Business Leaders (in partnership with IPU)

#### Afternoon

- ▶ High-level Panel on Investment in the Energy Transition
- ▶ International Sustainable Fund Conference
- ▶ Academic Track (session I) (in partnership with AIB, Graduate Institute-CFD, CEPR, NYU, UNU-WIDER, SIEL, CCSI)
- ▶ 40th ISAR (session I)
- ▶ WAPPP Annual Congress
- ▶ Gender Equality in Corporate Leadership (in partnership with IFC and UN Women (tbc))
- ▶ SME Internationalization: Promoting FDI by SMEs
- ▶ Entrepreneurship and Urban Development: Transforming urban ecosystems
- ▶ Net Zero Finance: The role of exchanges (in partnership with PRI and GFANZ)
- ▶ SEZs and Entrepreneurship Development (in partnership with AEZO)
- ▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Technology and innovation to increase resilience and support climate change adaptation and mitigation
- ▶ Youth Forum
- ▶ Visit to SEZs

- ▶ Gala dinner and the 2023 UNCTAD Sustainable Funds Awards and ISAR Honours Ceremony

### Wednesday, 18 October

#### Morning

- ▶ World Economic Forum-UNCTAD joint breakfast event: Services and investment facilitation
- ▶ Investment Ministerial Roundtable: Investment for sustainable development
- ▶ Game Changing Solutions for Sustainable Development: Food security
- ▶ Family Business Conference (session I) (in partnership with FBN)
- ▶ 40th ISAR (session II)
- ▶ WAPPP Annual Congress
- ▶ Talking Business (session I)
- ▶ Investing in a Digital Business Environment
- ▶ Carbon Markets (in partnership with IOSCO)
- ▶ Sovereign and Public Investors Dialogue: Leveraging institutional investment for sustainable development
- ▶ Sustainable Finance: Academic and practitioner dialogue (in partnership with Columbia University)
- ▶ Entrepreneurship and Innovation in the New Health Economy
- ▶ Investment and Enterprise in the Circular Economy
- ▶ IsDB Investment Policy Principles (in partnership with IsDB, ICTD, ICIEC)
- ▶ Investment Promotion and its Impact on Gender Equality (in partnership with ESCAP)
- ▶ Academic Track (session II) (in partnership with AIB, Graduate Institute-CFD, CEPR, NYU, UNU-WIDER, SIEL, CCSI)
- ▶ Youth Forum

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<b>Morning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Innovative financial solutions to unlock investment opportunities in sustainable food systems</li> <li>▶ Ministerial luncheon</li> </ul>
<b>Afternoon</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Enterprise Ministerial Roundtable: Entrepreneurship for sustainable development</li> <li>▶ High-level International Investment Agreements Conference 2023</li> <li>▶ 40th ISAR (session III)</li> <li>▶ Family Business Conference (session II) (in partnership with FBN)</li> <li>▶ Academic Track (session III) (in partnership with AIB, Graduate Institute-CFD, CEPR, NYU, UNU-WIDER, SIEL, CCSI)</li> <li>▶ WAPPP Annual Congress</li> <li>▶ Talking Business (session II)</li> <li>▶ Finance for Human Rights (in partnership with UNU)</li> <li>▶ Strategic Minerals for Decarbonisation: Investing in a just transition for artisanal miners</li> <li>▶ Youth Forum</li> <li>▶ Investing in Vaccine Supply Chain Resilience and Local Production (in partnership with WHO)</li> <li>▶ SDG Model Zones (in partnership with the GASEZ)</li> <li>▶ International Sustainable Finance Regulation Conference: Raising the bar: Sustainable finance regulations for a changing world (in partnership with PRI)</li> <li>▶ Stock Exchange Action on Climate Disclosures (in partnership with IFC)</li> <li>▶ Investing in Healthcare in Developing Countries</li> <li>▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Repurposing agricultural public support and incentives</li> <li>▶ Visit to SEZs</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Gala dinner and Women in Business Award Ceremony</li> </ul>

## Thursday, 19 October

### Morning

- ▶ Structurally Weak and Vulnerable Economies (SWVE) Ministerial and Business Executive Roundtable (in partnership with UN-OHRLLS)
- ▶ Game Changing Solutions for Sustainable Development: Energy
- ▶ AIM Meeting
- ▶ Talking Business (session III)
- ▶ 40th ISAR (session IV)
- ▶ Investment Facilitation Policies for Sustainable Development
- ▶ Investing in Business Development: Empretec (in partnership with Empretec centres)
- ▶ Investing in Youth Entrepreneurship: Millennials & Gen Z as business trailblazers (in partnership with The Commonwealth)
- ▶ Youth Forum
- ▶ Meeting of the Global Alliance of Special Economic Zones
- ▶ Islamic Finance for Sustainable Development
- ▶ Arab Capital Markets Sustainable Finance Dialogue (in partnership with the RCSF and the AFCM)
- ▶ Integrating Nature-related Risk into Capital Markets (with support from Nature Finance)

<b>Morning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Inclusive agrifood systems transformation</li> <li>▶ Investing in Tourism (in partnership with UNWTO)</li> <li>▶ Global Digital Government Awards and luncheon (in partnership with the GEN)</li> <li>▶ Meet the Women in Business Awards Winners</li> </ul>
<b>Afternoon</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Academic Track Closing (in partnership with AIB, Graduate Institute-CFD, CEPR, NYU, UNU-WIDER, SIEL, CCSI)</li> <li>▶ Talking Business: (session IV)</li> <li>▶ Maximizing the Impact of Investment Facilitation</li> <li>▶ Agrifood Systems and Entrepreneurship: Food for thought: A sustainable agricultural revolution</li> <li>▶ Mobilizing Institutional Investment for Sustainable Development in Africa</li> <li>▶ Meeting of the World Investment for Development Alliance</li> <li>▶ International Tax Reforms and Sustainable Investment (in partnership with OECD (tbc))</li> <li>▶ Showcasing Reforms to Promote SDG Investment (session I)</li> <li>▶ Financing an Equitable Nature Economy (with support from Nature Finance)</li> <li>▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Transforming the urban food systems</li> <li>▶ 40th ISAR Closing</li> <li>▶ Youth Forum</li> <li>▶ Visit to SEZs</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Gala dinner</li> </ul>

## Friday, 20 October

### Morning

- ▶ Financing the Climate Transition – The way forward
- ▶ FDI Statistics Symposium: Bridging investment data gaps
- ▶ Showcasing Reforms to Promote SDG Investment (session II)
- ▶ Talking Business (session V)
- ▶ High-level Panel on Investment in Sustainable Infrastructure
- ▶ High-level Roundtable on FDI and Women Empowerment (in partnership with UNWOMEN)
- ▶ IPA / SEZs Policy Implications of Tax Reforms (with OECD)
- ▶ The Investment, Trade and Development Nexus
- ▶ Digital Investment Facilitation
- ▶ Sustainability Reporting Standards and Regulations (in partnership with GRI)
- ▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Investing in mitigating food loss and waste
- ▶ Investment in Agrifood Systems Forum: Investing in sustainable value chain and agribusiness development
- ▶ Youth Forum
- ▶ Visit to SEZs
- ▶ Closing of the Academic Track
- ▶ Heads of Delegation Roundtable and Closing Ceremony

## to be scheduled

- ▶ **joint event with OECD**
  - ▶ **joint event with Harvard & BCG**
  - ▶ **joint event with FT on FDI**
  - ▶ **Sports and Development** (in partnership with UN Sport for Development and Peace)
  - ▶ **joint event with PM office of UAE**
  - ▶ **joint event with Economist Impact**
  - ▶ **Investment and Industrial Development**  
(joint event with UNIDO)
  - ▶ **Investment in the Digital Economy**  
(joint event with ITU)
  - ▶ **Investment and Standards** (in partnership with ISO)
  - ▶ **Investment in Sustainable Infrastructure**  
(in partnership with UNECE and WAPPP)
  - ▶ **Special Presentations on Global Initiatives**
    - ▶ Global sustainability standards (ISSB)
    - ▶ Global corporate tax reform package (OECD)
    - ▶ SDG summit outcomes (DESA)
    - ▶ Paris summit outcomes (tbc)
    - ▶ G20 trade and investment outcomes (India S/S)
    - ▶ Global trade and investment action for climate transition roadmap (UNCTAD/WTO)
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