



SECOND PLENARY OF THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR FINANCIAL INCLUSION

24-25 June 2021

AGENDA Virtual Meeting

Registration and dial-in details will be sent out separately





Thursday, 24 June 2021

Open Session - Workshop "Remittances in times of crisis and beyond"

12:00 – 12:15 Opening Remarks

Welcome address (Magda Bianco and Anna Zelentsova, GPFI Co-Chairs)

12:15 - 13:15 Roundtable

The objective of the roundtable is to provide insights on the current state of the market for international remittances with specific attention to the impact of the pandemic crisis.

Chair (Anna Zelentsova)

Lead speakers (5-7 minutes each)

- Remittance receiving families: what can a receiver country do (Ms. Hakima El Alami, Bank Al-Maghrib; Mr. Mynard Bryan R. Mojica, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas)
- Remittances in times of crisis: how to keep them flowing (Yemi Oluwakuyide, Remittances Lead, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, UK; Peta Mills, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia)
- The costs of remittances: global trends and perspectives (Harish Natarajan, World Bank)
- Maximizing the impact of remittances for digital and financial inclusion (Mauro Martini, IFAD)
- The impact of crisis on financial inclusion and the remittance market (Will Cook, CGAP)

Q&A

13:15 – 14:15 Future developments and possible solutions to existing problems

The objective of this session is to offer a glimpse on recent technological and regulatory developments to address current shortcomings and insights from country experiences.

Chair (Harish Natarajan)

Lead speakers (5-7 minutes each)

- Updates about the Roadmap on cross-border payments (Mr. Alexandre Stervinou, FSB)
- How to reduce the "unintended consequences" of the FATF standards (Elisa de Anda Madrazo, Vice-President, FATF)
- Country experiences with new technological solutions (Ms. Jo Yeo, Monetary Authority of Singapore; Mr. Settor Kwabla Amediku, Bank of Ghana)
- Digital remittances: the role of mobile money (Brian Muthiora, Regulatory Director, Mobile Money, GSMA)





 Remittance markets opportunities and challenges: the perspective of the industry (Veronica Studsgaard, Founder and CEO, International Association of Money Transfers Networks)

Q&A

14:15 - 14:30 Break

Members' session - Second Plenary

14:30 – 14:40 Digital Financial Inclusion – Action Area 2

Chair: Anna Zelentsova

Lead speakers (IFAD and World Bank)

 Presentation of the draft report "The impact of COVID-19 in the remittances market" (Oya Pinar Ardic Alper, WB, and Frederic Ponsot, IFAD)

14:40 – 15:30 Roundtable on the draft report, the proposal for NRPs' template distribution and questions for discussion

15:30 – 15:45 Day 1 closing remarks

Friday, 25 June 2021

12:00 – 12:15 Opening Remarks

The agenda of the second day (Magda Bianco, Anna Zelentsova)

12:15 – 12:45 Session I: Digital Financial Inclusion – Action Area 1

Chair: Magda Bianco

Lead speakers: WB and OECD (10 minutes for each presentation)

- Presentation of the draft WB's report "COVID-19 and Digitalization: Impact on Financial Inclusion, New Emerging Opportunities and Risks" (Margaret Miller)
- Presentation of the draft OECD's report "Supporting Financial Resilience and Transformation Through Digital Financial Literacy" (Flore-Anne Messy, Chiara Monticone)
- Presentation of the draft OECD's report "Financial Consumer Protection and Regulation for the Post COVID-19 Era: Effective Approaches and Lessons Learnt to Protect Consumers and Support Financial Inclusion" (Flore-Anne Messy, Miles Larbey)

12:45 – 14:00 Roundtable on the draft reports and questions for discussion

14:00 - 14:10 Break





14:10 - 14:30

Session II: SME Finance - Action Area 1

Chair: Magda Bianco

Lead speakers: IFC/SMEFF - EIB and OECD (10 minutes)

- Presentation of the draft Report "MSME Digital Finance: Resilience and Innovation during COVID-19" (Ghada Theima, IFC)
- Update of the OECD's survey "Navigating the storm: MSMEs' financial and digital competencies in COVID-19 times" (Flore-Anne Messy, Chiara Monticone)

14:30 - 15:10

Roundtable on the draft reports and questions for discussion

15:10 - 15:30

Session III: Outreach

Chair: Anna Zelentsova

Lead speaker Leora Klapper (WB)

 Presentation of the WB's World Development Report 2022 – Finance for an Equitable Recovery

15:30 - 15:45

Day 2 closing remarks and the way forward