



**Recovery and Resilience  
through Digital and Financial  
Inclusion**  
#FamilyRemittances



**IDFR 2021-2022  
Campaign**

**Observance event**

**ACCRA | GHANA**  
Kempinski Hotel Gold Coast City  
Thursday, 16 June 2022  
9:30 AM GMT

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## In presence observance event for the International Day of Family Remittances:

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<https://familyremittances.org/idfr-2022/observance-event-in-ghana/>

### Provisional agenda

Accra time (GMT)

9:00	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>
9:30	<p><b>Opening ceremony - Observance of the International Day of Family Remittances 2022</b></p> <p>The International Day of Family Remittances (IDFR) was unanimously proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 2018, in recognition of the crucial contribution migrants and their families make to the development of their communities of origin through remittances. The Day calls upon governments, the private sector and the civil society to find ways to maximize the impact of these flows through individual and/or collective actions</p> <p><b>Welcome remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hani Abdelkader Elsadani Salem, Country Director for Ghana, <b>International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</b></li> <li>- Pooja Bhalla, Officer in charge on behalf of Abibatou Wane-Fall, Chief of Mission, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and Chair of the <b>United Nations Migration Network - Ghana</b></li> </ul> <p><b>High level remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Philip Abradu-Otoo, Head of Research, <b>Bank of Ghana</b></li> </ul>
10:00	<p><b>Remittance families and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</b></p> <p>This panel aims at addressing the impact of remittances on the social and economic development of receiving families, through greater financial inclusion, investment and employment generation. The session will analyse the national context, cover aspects such as customer protection and market integrity, and the linkages with the sending end. Examples of current and upcoming initiatives will be shared.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Francine Dove, Remittances and Inclusive Digital Finance Specialist, <b>FFR, IFAD</b></p>

	<p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Godwin Kafui Agozie, Head of Money Remittances, <b>Fidelity Bank</b></li> <li>- Sampson Akligoh, Director, Financial Sector Division, <b>Ministry of Finance, Ghana</b></li> <li>- Eric Akomanyi, Labour Mobility and Human Development Officer, <b>International Organization for Migration, Ghana</b></li> <li>- Prince Oppong Kwarteng, Advisor and Coordinator, Business Ideas for Development, <b>GIZ Ghana</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>
<b>11:00</b>	<b><i>Coffee break</i></b>
<b>11:30</b>	<p><b>MobileRemit Report presentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Frédéric Ponsot, Senior Technical Specialist on Remittances, Diaspora and Inclusive Finance, <b>FFR, IFAD</b></li> </ul>
<b>11:45</b>	<p><b>The national remittance market and the role of the private sector towards greater digital and financial inclusion</b></p> <p>The panel intends to highlight the opportunities offered by the national remittance market, and how digitalization and innovative business models can play a crucial role in facilitating access and the provision of inclusive remittance-related services to underserved customers, particularly in remote areas, and to women and youth.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Clara Arthur, Policy and Ecosystem Expert, <b>United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) Ghana</b></p> <p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jacob Aboagye, Group Manager, Remittances, <b>Ecobank</b></li> <li>- Kofi Owusu-Nhyira, Chief Executive Officer, <b>Nsano</b></li> <li>- Thompson Sakyi, Director, Mobile Financial Services, <b>AirtelTigo Money</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>
<b>12:40</b>	<p><b>Closing remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mauro Martini, Remittances and Development Officer, <b>FFR, IFAD</b></li> </ul>
<b>12:45</b>	<b><i>Lunch</i></b>