

# Recovery and Resilience through Digital and Financial Inclusion

#FamilyRemittances



International Day  
of Family Remittances  
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## Observance of the International Day of Family Remittances (IDFR) 2022

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

Thursday, 16 June 2022  
09:00-11:00 EST (GMT-4) | 15:00-17:00 CET (GMT+2)

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### Provisional Agenda

09:00   15:00	<p><b>Welcome Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thouraya Triki, Director, Sustainable Production, Markets and Institutions (PMI) Division, Strategy and Knowledge Department, <b>International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</b></li> </ul>
09:05   15:05	<p><b>Opening Segment: Observance of the International Day of Family Remittances 2022</b></p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Abdulla Shahid, 76<sup>th</sup> President of the UN General Assembly</li> <li>o António Guterres, UN Secretary-General (TBC)</li> <li>o António Vitorino, Director General, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and Coordinator of the UN Migration Network</li> </ul> <p><b>High-level Remarks:<sup>1</sup></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o H.E. Mario Adolfo Búcaro Flores, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Guatemala</li> <li>o H.E. Richard James Randriamandrato, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Madagascar</li> <li>o H.E. Teodoro L. Locsin, Jr., Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Republic of The Philippines</li> </ul>
09:30   15:30	<p><b>Remittance families, the role of the private sector 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 digital and financial inclusion, investment and employment generation. The session will analyse 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. Examples of current and upcoming initiatives will also be shared.</p>

<sup>1</sup> Representatives to be confirmed.

	<p><b>Panel opening remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Francesco Luciani, Head of Unit, Migration and forced displacement, Directorate General for International Partnership, <b>European Commission</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Leon Isaacs, Chief Executive Officer, <b>Developing Markets Associates (DMA) Global</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jacob Aboagye, Group Manager, Remittances, <b>Ecobank Ghana</b> (tbc)</li> <li>- Alieu Badara Njie, Group Head, <b>QMoney</b> (tbc)</li> <li>- Barry Cooper, Technical Director, <b>Cenfri</b></li> <li>- Saad Farooq, Public Policy &amp; Advocacy Director (Mobile Money), <b>GSMA</b></li> <li>- Martin Annandale, Global Head of MTOs, <b>MFS Africa</b></li> <li>- Manuel Orozco, Director, Migration, Remittances and Development, <b>Inter-American Dialogue</b> (tbc)</li> <li>- Iacopo Viciani, Programme Manager, Migration, DG INTPA, <b>European Commission</b></li> </ul>
<b>10:30   16:30</b>	<p><b>Statements from Member States and Observers and Q&amp;A</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H.E. Alicia Buenrostro Massieu, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of México to the United Nations</li> </ul>
<b>10:55   16:55</b>	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pedro De Vasconcelos, Manager of the <b>Financing Facility for Remittances, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</b></li> </ul>
<b>11:00   17:00</b>	<b>End</b>