

# CIVIL SOCIETY POLICY FORUM

OCTOBER 22-25, 2024



**ANNUAL  
MEETINGS**  
2024 | WASHINGTON DC  
INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND  
WORLD BANK GROUP



## MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

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Civil Society Townhall with IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva

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Taxing the Super-rich, a Step Closer

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How to Stay Resilient during the War

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Problematizing the Bank's Reliance on Financial Inclusion, from the Gender Strategy to the Corporate Scorecard

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IFC's Obligations to Prevent its Financing Activities from Contributing to Climate Change Harms

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25**

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# DAY 1

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

SESSION DETAILS



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## MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

10:00-11:00  
(DC Time)

### Civil Society Townhall with IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva

**Location:** Meeting Halls A&B, HQ1-3-430A&B

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This is an opportunity for civil society representatives from all over the world to engage with the Managing Director of the IMF to discuss a broad range of global economic issues. This is a hybrid event, and participants will have the chance to ask the Managing Director questions both in-person and via Zoom.

Join Here: <https://imf.zoom.us/j/97312049445?pwd=d8VLXWbHcEJqagXCcldA1D6SJ2bXzU.1>

## DAY 1: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:30-10:30  
(DC Time)

### Civil Society Townhall with World Bank Group President Ajay Banga

**Location:** WBG MC-Preston Auditorium

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This is an opportunity for civil society representatives to engage with the President of the World Bank Group. This is a hybrid event.

11:00-12:00  
(DC Time)

### An Orientation to the World Bank Group

**Location:** TBD

Hear from World Bank Group experts as they introduce you to the institution, walk you through our vision and mission, and provide an overview of its modalities.

11:00-12:30 (DC Time)

### Taxing the super-rich, a step closer

**Organizers:** ICRICT, Oxfam, Tax Justice Network Africa, Club of Rome, Earth4all, Patriotic Millionaires, GI-ESCR, CESR

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** Under the Brazil G20 presidency, for the first time all G20 countries recognized the need to tax the super-rich to reduce inequality and generate resources to fight hunger, climate crisis and support democracy. But what's next? This panel will explore the next steps on the road to ensure the super-rich pay their fair share.

- **Moderator:** Journalist [TBC]
- **Panelist 1:** Enoch Godongwana, Minister of Finance (South Africa)
- **Panelist 2:** Fernando Haddad, Minister of Finance (Brazil)
- **Panelist 3:** Jayati Ghosh, Member, ICRICT
- **Panelist 4:** Patrick Olomo, Policy Officer, African Union
- **Panelist 5:** Abigail Disney, Member, Patriotic Millionaires
- **Panelist 6:** IMF representative [TBC]

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12:30-14:00  
(DC Time)

### Civil Society Roundtable with the World Bank Group Board of Directors

**Location:** TBD

The Board of Directors of the World Bank Group will share notes on the institution's transformative approach, and converse with civil society representatives about their concerns and queries.

14:00-15:30 (DC Time)

### How to Stay Resilient during the War

**Organizers:** Open Society Foundations, Renaissance Foundation, DiXi Group, Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting, Center for Economic Strategy, Institute for Analysis and Advocacy

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** In 2014, Russia invaded Ukraine. Despite the war, Ukraine has implemented reforms that enabled the country to maintain economic resilience. These reforms have continued during the war and culminated in the EU decision on accession negotiations. This session aims to make Ukraine's experience a valuable lesson for other nations confronting external large-scale, non-economic shocks.

- **Moderator:** Vladyslav Rashkovan, Alternative Executive Director, IMF
- **Panelist 1:** Oleksandra Betliy, Project Coordinator, Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting
- **Panelist 2:** Olena Pavlenko, President, DiXi Group
- **Panelist 3:** Karlis Smits, Lead Economist and Program Leader for Economic Policy for Eastern Europe, World Bank
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

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14:15-15:45 (DC Time)

### Problematizing the Bank's Reliance on Financial Inclusion, from the Gender Strategy to the Corporate Scorecard

**Organizers:** Gender Action, MENAFem, Bretton Woods Project, SEATINI, Akina Mama wa Afrika

**Location:** WBG I 2-250

**Session Abstract:** Financial inclusion is key to the Bank's poverty reduction, women's empowerment as laid out in its gender strategy, and Corporate Scorecard goals. Civil society, academics and the IEG question financial inclusion's effectiveness in reducing poverty. We will critique financial inclusion and propose alternative poverty alleviation rights- and public service-based approaches centering gender equality.

- **Moderator:** Shereen Talaat, Executive Director, MENAFem
- **Panelist 1:** Imene Cherif, Board Member, MENAFem
- **Panelist 2:** Jane S Nalunga, Executive Director, SEATINI
- **Panelist 3:** Lena Lavinias, Professor, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]



### IFC's Obligations to Prevent its Financing Activities from Contributing to Climate Change Harms

**Organizers:** Bank Climate Advocates, Big Shift Global, Oxfam, Oil Change International, Recourse, Power Shift Africa, Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales, Indus Consortium, Trend Asia, Senik Centre Asia, Don't Gas Africa, Sustentarse, Center for International Environmental Law, Centre for Financial Accountability, Accountability Counsel

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** IFC must take significant measures to align its finance flows with 1.5°C. In this session, experts share what IFC must change in its upcoming sustainability framework update and policy implementation for IFC and its Member States to meet their due diligence and harm prevention obligations pertaining to climate change impacts.

- **Moderator:** Fran Witt, Program Director – Ecological Justice, Recourse
- **Panelist 1:** Dean Bhekumuzi Bhebne, Campaigns Lead, Power Shift Africa
- **Panelist 2:** Jason Weiner, Executive Director & Legal Director, Bank Climate Advocates
- **Panelist 3:** Igor Gryshko, PhD; Human Rights Officer, Environment and Climate Change Team, United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner
- **Panelist 4:** Irum Ashan, Head Advisory, International Finance Corporation Office of the Compliance Advisor Ombudsman
- **Panelist 5:** TBD

### Women and the IMF: Accountability through Gender Impact Assessments

**Organizers:** The Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy, Bretton Woods Project, Arab Reform Initiative, Oxfam International

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** Despite acknowledging the macrocriticality of gender gaps, the IMF's programs often deepens these gaps in relation to labor markets, social protection, and care work. This session proposes binding Gender Impact Assessments as a tool for the Fund to address gender gaps and contribute to gender equality.

- **Moderator:** Timothy E. Kaldas, Deputy Director, The Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy
- **Panelist 1:** Sahar Mechmech, Inclusive Economies Manager, The Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy
- **Panelist 2:** Tara Povey, Gender Equality and Macroeconomics Project Lead, Bretton Woods Project
- **Panelist 3:** Farah Al Shami, Senior Fellow and Social Protection Program Director, Arab Reform Initiative
- **Panelist 4:** Monique Newiak, Deputy Unit Chief, Inclusion and Gender Unit, IMF

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16:00-17:30 (DC Time)

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### **Delivering Quality, Affordable Health Services to 1.5 Billion People by 2030 – Equitably, Efficiently, and Effectively**

**Organizers:** Save the Children, World Vision International, Pandemic Action Network

**Location:** WBG | 2-220

**Session Abstract:** Following the World Bank’s commitment to provide quality, affordable health services to 1.5 billion people, attention turns to delivery – equitably, efficiently, and effectively. This session will discuss the Bank’s plans, and fuel conversation on what is needed to advance partnerships and integration across developmental agendas to achieve stated ambitions.

- **Moderator:** Janti Soeripto, President & Chief Executive Officer, Save the Children US
- **Panelist 1:** Daniel Thornton, Director, Coordinated Resource Mobilization, World Health Organization
- **Panelist 2:** Dan Irvine, Global Director of Nutrition and Health, World Vision International
- **Panelist 3:** Carolyn Reynolds, Co-founder, Pandemic Action Network
- **Panelist 4:** Rose Keffas, Special Assistant – Policy, Strategy and International Relations, The Presidency, Federal Government of Nigeria

### **Financing a Just World and a Sustainable Planet**

**Organizers:** Plataforma CIPÓ and Institute for Applied Economic Research (Ipea), T20 Brazil Organizing Committee Co-Coordinator

**Location:** WBG | 2-250

**Session Abstract:** Brazil's G20 presidency stresses the need to align climate action with the reduction of social inequalities. This event explores G20 and T20 proposals for reforming the international financial architecture to boost financing for just transitions to low-carbon economies, with an emphasis on ensuring adequate financing and support for developing countries.

- **Moderator:** Maiara Folly, Executive Director, Plataforma CIPÓ
- **Panelist 1:** Fábio Vera Soares, Director of International Studies, Institute for Applied Economic Research
- **Panelist 2:** Fernanda Santiago, Special Advisor to Brazil's Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Brazil
- **Panelist 3:** Adriana Abdenur, Special Advisor to the President of the Republic of Brazil, Presidency of the Republic, Brazil
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

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# DAY 2

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

SESSION DETAILS



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8:30-10:00 (DC Time)

**The Role of Development Finance institutions in Advancing Vaccine Manufacturing in Africa**

**Organizer:** Afya na Haki

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** This session explores how Development Finance Institutions can effectively support and accelerate vaccine manufacturing capabilities in Africa, addressing challenges and opportunities in the context of global health equity and pandemic preparedness.

- **Moderator:** J Jessica Oga, Head of Regionalism, Afya na Haki
- **Panelist 1:** Professor Moses Mulumba, Director General, Afya na Haki
- **Panelist 2:** Marco Angelo, Global Health Advocate, WEMOS
- **Panelist 3:** Dr Nazeem Mohammed, International Pharmaceutical Consultant
- **Panelist 4:** Dr Emmanuel Agogo, Director Epidemics, FIND

**Prioritizing Children for Sustainable Development: The Impact of Investing in Essential Public Services**

**Organizers:** World Vision International and Save the Children

**Location:** WBG I 2-250

**Session Abstract:** This event will bring together a diverse panel of speakers to discuss the significant need to prioritize investing in essential public services for children. The speakers will share how investing in children can yield significant returns for society, contribute to the achievement of the SDGs, and promote peaceful and inclusive societies.

- **Moderator:** Dr. Jean Baptiste Kamate, Chief Field Operations Officer, World Vision International
- **Panelist 1:** Janti Soeripto, President and CEO, Save the Children USA
- **Panelist 2:** Soha Hoblos, Executive Director, Hadatha Organization
- **Panelist 3:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]
- **Panelist 4:** Accelerator Hub Representative [TBC]

9:00-10:30 (DC Time)

### Transparency is Not Enough: Empowering Domestic Oversight of Public Debt

**Organizers:** International Budget Partnership, National Democratic Institute, Latindadd, and Bajeti Hub

**Location:** IMF HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** Government borrowing decisions have far-reaching impacts on public services and vulnerable populations, yet they often escape public scrutiny. Debt relief is crucial but won't prevent future crises. This discussion will identify how we can work together to increase domestic accountability through greater transparency, empowering legislatures, and engaging civil society.

- **Moderator:** Austin Ndiokwel, Director of Policy and Advocacy, International Budget Partnership
- **Panelist 1:** Dr. Abraham Rugo, Executive Director, Bajeti Hub
- **Panelist 2:** Patricia Miranda, Global Advocacy Director, Latindadd
- **Panelist 3:** Corina Rebegea, Senior Advisor, National Democratic Institute (NDI)
- **Panelist 4:** Karla Vasquez Suarez, Senior Counsel, IMF

Join here: <https://imf.zoom.us/j/95106280561?pwd=nLXTPcYTFWYLGg2jdOsKGtpT6BVgOD.1>

11:00-12:30 (DC Time)

### Universal social security and the social contract: A critical examination through case studies

**Organizers:** Amnesty International, Arab Reform Initiative, Global Coalition for Social Protection Floors, Human Rights Watch, Initiative for Social and Economic Rights, Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Bretton Woods Project

**Location:** IMF HQ2-03B-768

**Session Abstract:** Support by international financial institutions (IFIs) and donors for narrowly poverty-targeted social protection is widely documented and remains prevalent. While an extensive body of critical research and literature exists underscoring the negative human rights consequences of this approach and the ways in which it undermines the social contract, the concerns are often overlooked. In a context of rising political and social instability, this panel will use recently completed case studies to examine the unintended consequences of this approach to social protection on the social contract and the degree to which its policies contradict its stated objectives.

- **Moderator:** Ilana Kembabazi, Programs Manager, Initiative for Social and Economic Rights - Uganda
- **Panelist 1:** Marta Schaaf, Program Director, Amnesty International
- **Panelist 2:** Farah Al-Shami, Social Protection Program Director, Arab Reform Initiative
- **Panelist 3:** Lalchhanhimi Bungsut, Development Pathways
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative or current Brazilian or South African or Mauritius government official [TBC]

13:00-14:30 (DC Time)

### **The Importance of MIGA: New Guarantee Platform and World Bank Evolution Roadmap**

**Organizers:** Bretton Woods Project, Oxfam Washington, Recourse, MENAFem, Bank Climate Advocates

**Location:** WBG | 2-250

**Session Abstract:** This panel looks at the rising importance of guarantees by analysing their history, structure, and impact in light of the World Bank Evolution Roadmap and the existing evidence of MIGA’s social and environmental impact. We seek to understand who benefits from the rise of guarantees and how.

- **Moderator:** Daniel Ribeiro, Technical and Research Coordinator, Justicia Ambiental
- **Panelist 1:** Farwa Sial, Senior Policy and Advocacy Officer, Eurodad
- **Panelist 2:** Jason Weiner, Executive Director & Legal Director, Bank Climate Advocates
- **Panelist 3:** MIGA representative [TBC]

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### **Strengthening Reforms and Responding to Evolving Crises: Expanding MDB Local Currency Lending**

**Organizers:** Bretton Woods Project, Latindadd, Eurodad

**Location:** WBG | 2-220

**Session Abstract:** While the benefits of local currency lending are widely recognized and while most MDBs undertake some local currency lending, volumes are small and the risks of local currency lending are overstated. These dynamics expose middle and low-income countries (MLICs) to avoidable risks and constrain their ability to respond to evolving challenges such as climate change. The panel will present new research that critically analyses the actual risk of local currency lending to MLICs compared to foreign currency lending and how the risks can be mitigated through specific lending modalities or the development of institutional, regulatory, and legal structures.

- **Moderator:** Luiz Vieira, Coordinator, Bretton Woods Project
- **Panelist 1:** Karina Patricio Ferreira Lima, University of Leeds
- **Panelist 2:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]
- **Panelist 3:** Former or current Brazilian or South African government official [TBC]

14:00-15:30 (DC Time)

### Financing Care Economies through Progressive Taxation: Role of IMF-driven Austerity

**Organizers:** FTC, APMDD, CBGA, Christian Aid, LATINDADD, TJNA, and WEDO

**Location:** IMF HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** Gender-responsive, progressive fiscal policies are critical in funding care economies as a priority in many Global South countries. However, the IMF's advice and programs still prescribe austerity in practice without tackling systemic issues like illicit financial flows, taxing wealth, or financial transparency to raise more progressive tax revenue.

**Moderator:** Klelia Guerrero, Tax and Gender Specialist, Latindadd

**Panelist 1:** Sanchari Mukhopadhyay, Thematic Lead - Local Governance and Budget, CBGA

**Panelist 2:** Matti Kohonen, Executive Director, FTC

**Panelist 3:** Arimbi Wahono, Senior Consultant, Shared Planet

**Panelist 4:** Rodrigo Cerda, Division Chief Fiscal Affairs Department, International Monetary Fund

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15:15-16:45 (DC Time)

### The Last Mile: Ensuring Effective Implementation of Management Action Plans and Dispute Resolution Agreements

**Organizers:** Center for International Environmental Law, Recourse, Urgewald, International Rivers, Arab Watch Coalition, Gender Action, Inclusive Development International, Accountability Counsel, Bank Information Center, International Accountability Project, Oxfam

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** Implementation of MAPs and DR agreements are critical to addressing harms caused by World Bank-financed projects. However, lack of collaboration and/or DFI involvement have led to broken remedial action commitments. Community leaders, Bank and CAO staff discuss implementation gaps, barriers to participation and best practices to improve complainant outcomes.

- **Moderator:** Carla Garcia Zendejas, Director, People, Land, and Resources Program, Center for Environmental Law (CIEL)
- **Panelist 1:** Mario Paniagua Ortega, Asesor para Pueblos, Fundación Tierra
- **Panelist 2:** Feliciano Santos, Indigenous Leader, Movement for the Defense of the Territories and Ecosystems of Bocas del Toro (MODETEAB)
- **Panelist 3:** Reiko Ishihara-Brito, Specialist, Compliance CAO
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

## Whither Economic Transformation: The World Bank Scorecard and its Development Mandate

**Organizers:** Bretton Woods Project, Seatini Uganda, ACET for Africa, Eurodad

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** The World Bank has recently launched its new Scorecard as an attempt to better measure and hold itself accountable for its development impact. While the Scorecard is a positive step in moving away from a focus on lending volumes and focusing on tangible developmental results, the panel will argue that the omission of an economic transformation indicator is a significant shortcoming, as economic transformation is an essential component of development, and thus central to the World Bank's mandate. The panel will explore concrete ways to address the shortcoming.

- **Moderator:** Luiz Vieira, Coordinator, The Bretton Woods Project
- **Panelist 1:** Ed Brown, African Centre for Economic Transformation
- **Panelist 2:** Professor Antonio Lacerda, Federal Economic Council, Brazil
- **Panelist 3:** Former or current Brazilian or South African government official
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

## Evidence-based Analysis of the Implementation of Anti-Illicit Financial Flows Policies in Africa: Lessons from the Anti-IFFs Policy Tracker Project

**Organizers:** Tax Justice Network Africa, African Union Commission, Africa Tax Administration Forum, Transparency International

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** This session will present the lessons learned from the development and implementation of the Anti-IFFs Policy Tracker Tool, a key initiative designed to monitor the progress and effectiveness of anti-IFFs policies across the continent. The session will focus on how the tool has enhanced the understanding of policy gaps in tackling IFFs across Africa.

- **Moderator:** Robert Mwanjumba, Africa Regional Advocacy Coordinator, Transparency International
- **Panelist 1:** Francis Kairu, Policy Officer – Strategic Programs, Tax Justice Network Africa
- **Panelist 2:** Luckystar Miyandazi, DRM Advisor, African Union Commission
- **Panelist 3:** IMF representative (TBC)

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# DAY 3

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

SESSION DETAILS



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11:00-12:30 (DC Time)

**Accountability Challenges in FCV-Affected Countries**

**Organizers:** International Accountability Project, Secretary of the World Bank Accountability Mechanism, and the Incoming Chairperson of the World Bank Inspection Panel

**Location:** WBG I 2-250

**Session Abstract:** Fragility, conflict and violence (FCV) pose challenges to providing avenues of redress to nearly 60% of the world’s extreme poor that have been harmed by development projects in FCV-affected communities. This session will discuss the roadblocks and available alternatives to providing accountability in countries affected by FCV.

- **Moderator:** Abdoul Salam Bello, Executive Director, Africa Group II
- **Panelist 1:** Orsolya Szekely, Secretary, World Bank Accountability Mechanism
- **Panelist 2:** Ibrahim Pam, Member and Incoming Chairman, World Bank Inspection Panel
- **Panelist 3:** John Mwebe, Program Coordinator, International Accountability Project
- **Panelist 4:** Aly Marie Sagne, Executive Director, Lumiere Synergie pour le Developpement

**Centering Wellbeing Economics: Rethinking Development in the Global South**

**Organizers:** MENAFem, Greenpeace International, Greenpeace MENA, FARN, ElSeidi Environmental Law, Climate Action Network International, Big Shift Global, Urgewald, Oil Change International, Al Bawsala, AMWA, CESR, Latindadd, Bretton Woods Project, ARI, End Austerity Global Campaign, End Austerity MENA Hub, CEPR, WEDO, Social Justice Platform

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** This session examines extractive investments in Global South nations like Egypt, Morocco, and Suriname -- exploring their impact on sustainable development and equity. It highlights trade-offs between economic growth and community well-being, emphasizing local knowledge, feminist economics, and alternative pathways for a just transition toward environmental sustainability and community empowerment.

- **Moderator:** Claire O’Manique, Public Finance Analyst, Oil Change International
- **Panelist 1:** Farah Galal, Gender and Economic Justice Officer, MENAFem Movement
- **Panelist 2:** Ghiwa Nakat, Managing Director, Greenpeace MENA
- **Panelist 3:** Fiza Qureshi, Gas Campaigner, Big Shift Global
- **Panelist 4:** Leandro Gomez, Investments and Rights Program Coordinator, FARN
- **Panelist 5:** Daniela Berdeja, Debt Analyst and Manager of the LAC Vulnerability Atlas, Latindadd

### Arab Voices for Sustainable Development Financing: Rights-Based Approaches to Addressing the Debt-Tax-Climate Crises

**Organizers:** ANND, ARI, AWC, Bretton Woods Project, Christian Aid, Eurodad, ICRICT, UNESCWA

**Location:** IMF HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** In recent years, the intertwined challenges of debt and climate change have increasingly been recognized as critical issues facing many countries in the Arab region. Various proposals have been put forward to address these dual crises, but a crucial question remains: Are these solutions adequate to meet the region's diverse needs, particularly given its varied political economies and levels of climate preparedness? This session will explore the sovereign debt landscape in the Arab region and critically examine key proposals, such as the UNESCWA Climate/SDGs Debt Swap Mechanism and existing Climate Resilient Debt Clauses. From a rights-based perspective, the session will assess whether these proposals can effectively address the region's debt and climate challenges.

- **Moderator:** Salma Hussein, Independent Expert and Researcher
- **Panelist 1:** Ahmad Awad, Director, Phenix Center for Economics and Informatics Studies
- **Panelist 2:** Niranjan Sarangi, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
- **Panelist 3:** Hassan Sherry, Senior Program and Research Officer, Arab NGO Network for Development
- **Panelist 4:** Allison Holland, Assistant Director of the Strategy, Policy and Review Department, IMF

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### Transformative Human Capital Investments: Catalyzing World Bank Financing to Achieve Ambitious Health and Nutrition Goals

**Organizers:** ACTION Global Health Advocacy Partnership, ASAPSU, Global Health Advocates, RESULTS Canada, RESULTS Educational Fund, WACI Health

**Location:** WBG | 2-220

**Session Abstract:** This session will explore how the World Bank can prioritize and finance human capital by leveraging universal health care, nutrition strategies, and innovative health financing to ensure sustainability and create impactful synergies with global and regional stakeholders.

- **Moderator:** Xochitl Sanchez, Director, ACTION Global Health Advocacy Partnership
- **Panelist 1:** Yann Illiaquer, Advocacy Lead, Global Health Advocates
- **Panelist 2:** Mdm. Solange Kone, Executive Director, ASAPSU
- **Panelist 3:** Parliamentarian, National Assembly of Kenya [TBC]
- **Panelist 4:** GHI Representative [TBC]
- **Panelist 5:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

### The World Bank's Recipe for a Livable Planet: What's Cooking? Is It Healthy and Sustainable?

**Organizers:** Stop Financing Factory Farming campaign, Bank Information Center, Compassion in World Farming, Sinergia Animal, of the Earth-US, Global Forest Coalition, World Animal Protection

**Location:** WBG I 2-250

**Session Abstract:** According to the Bank, its "Recipe for a Livable Planet is the first comprehensive global roadmap for mitigating the agrifood system's contributions to climate change. It shows how the agriculture system that produces the world's food can cut greenhouse gas emissions while [feeding] the world." We'll discuss the 'Recipe' and alternatives.

- **Moderator:** Peter Wisner or Sean Suter [TBC], Advisor, Office of the US Executive Director, World Bank (EDS01)
- **Panelist 1:** Jan Plagge, President, IFOAM, Organics Int'l - Europe, and Bioland
- **Panelist 2:** Carolina Galvani, Executive Director, Sinergia Animal - Brazil [TBC]
- **Panelist 3:** Peter Stevenson, Sr. Policy Advisor, Compassion in World Farming (UK)
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

### Strengthening Governance of Development Policy Finance: Improving Transparency, Accountability, Stakeholder Engagement, and Paris Alignment

**Organizers:** Bank Informational Center, Bretton Woods Project, Recourse, Urgewald, Indus Consortium, PMCI, AbibiNsroma, Bank Climate Advocates, MENAFem, FARN, Big Shift Global, Jeunes Volontaires pour l'Environnement – International

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** This panel will explore key elements of the Bank's Development Policy Finance related to governance and mechanisms, and identify challenges related to accountability, stakeholder engagement, and Paris alignment. We will examine the cases of Pakistan and the Philippines. A discussion on how to improve the design and implementation of Development Policy Finance will follow.

- **Moderator:** Katelyn Gallagher, Campaign Director, Bank Information Center
- **Panelist 1:** Jon Sward, Environment Project Manager, Bretton Woods Project
- **Panelist 2:** Ellenor Joyce Bartolome, Senior Executive Officer for Policy, Campaigns and Communications, Philippine Movement for Climate Justice
- **Panelist 3:** Hussain Jarwar, CEO, Indus Consortium
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

15:45-17:15 (DC Time)

## Reimagining Governance: 80 Years of IMF/WB Legacies and Pathways to Transforming the International Financial Architecture

**Organizers:** CESR, Equidad, IBON International, IEJ, Latindadd, MENAFem, WEDO

**Location:** WBG I 2-220

**Session Abstract:** Building on the Spring CSPF sessions, this continues discussions on transforming the international financial architecture and the role of international financial institutions (IFIs). Focusing on governance, it will address the global polycrisis -- including debt, climate, and gender inequality -- while championing visions for a decolonial, green, feminist, rights-based future.

- **Moderator:** Mahinour ElBadrawi, Co-Director of Program, CESR
- **Panelist 1:** Emilia Reyes, Program Director, Policies and Budgets for Equality and Sustainable Development, Equidad
- **Panelist 2:** Shereen Talaat, Director, MENAFem
- **Panelist 3:** Rodolfo Lahoy, Policy, Communications, and Training Team Head, IBON International
- **Panelist 4:** IMF representative [TBC]

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# DAY 4

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

SESSION DETAILS



**ANNUAL MEETINGS**  
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8:30-10:00 (DC Time)

**Investing in Climate-resilient and Inclusive Infrastructure: Shifting from Reactive Responses to Proactive Preparedness**

**Organizers:** SKP-HAM, Bank Information Center, Strategic Youth Network for Development, Ghana Federation of Disability Organizations

**Location:** TBD

**Session Abstract:** Planning for resilient, inclusive and sustainable infrastructure is crucial – and what does this look like in practice? What strategies is the Bank taking as it continues to invest in infrastructure? A transport project in Ghana and a post-disaster reconstruction project in Indonesia will guide the discussion into answering these questions.

- **Moderator:** Tariye Gbadegesin, Chief Executive Officer, Climate Investment Fund
- **Panelist 1:** Moh Syafari Firdaus, Program Manager, SKP-HAM Central Sulawesi, Indonesia
- **Panelist 2:** Sarfoh Danquah, Project Lead, Strategic Youth Network for Development, Ghana
- **Panelist 3:** Iromi Perera, Asia Consultant, Bank Information Center
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

**Jubilee 2025: Time for Religious Values to Inform Debt and Global Finance Architecture in Africa**

**Organizers:** All Africa Conference of Churches, Caritas Africa, Islamic Relief, Jesuit Justice and Ecology Network Africa, Jubilee USA Network

**Location:** TBD

**Session Abstract:** As 2025 has been declared a Jubilee year, African faith-based groups and leaders champion policy proposals for a debt and development finance architecture that makes Jubilee’s promise of hope and renewal a reality. The event facilitates religious groups’ dialogue on their value-based approach to these issues with finance authorities.

- **Moderator:** Eric LeCompte, Executive Director, Jubilee USA Network
- **Panelist 1:** Lucy Esipila, Executive Secretary, Caritas Africa
- **Panelist 2:** Hajji Amir Ahmed Manghali, Regional Programs Coordinator for East Africa, Islamic Relief
- **Panelist 3:** Bishop Rose Nereya Ayiembra Okeno, Fourth Diocesan Bishop, ACK Diocese of Butere, Anglican Church, Kenya
- **Panelist 4:** Rev. Cyril Fayose, General Secretary of the Christian Council of Ghana
- **Panelist 5:** IMF Representative [TBC]

10:45-12:15 (DC Time)

### **Financing, Leadership, Alignment, and Accountability: Critical Catalysts for the Nutrition Agenda**

**Organizers:** SDG2 Advocacy Hub, ACTION, Save the Children UK, SUN Civil Society Network

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768B

**Session Abstract:** This session will assess efforts to end hunger and malnutrition and identify next steps to address urgent gaps. It will foster multi-stakeholder discussion on political leadership, policy coordination, financing, and accountability -- while bridging initiatives, namely the G20 Global Alliance, SUN Global Gathering, World Bank Investment Framework for Nutrition, and the N4G Summit.

- **Moderator:** Asma Lateef, Chief of Policy & Advocacy Impact, SDG2 Advocacy Hub
- **Panelist 1:** World Bank Group Representative [TBC]
- **Panelist 2:** Nriec Pont, Paris Nutrition for Growth Special Envoy, Government of France [TBC]
- **Panelist 3:** Bessie Ndovi, Senior Regional Advisor for East and Southern Africa, SUN Civil Society Network – Malawi
- **Panelist 4:** Mathews Mhuru, SUN Focal Point, Government of Zambia
- **Panelist 5:** ACTION Partnership Representative [TBC]
- **Panelist 6:** World Bank Group Representative [TBC]

### **How does health financing affect access to healthcare?**

**Organizers:** Wemos, PHM Uganda, N’weti, GI-ESCR, Akina Mama wa Afrika, Minority Rights, ISER Uganda

**Location:** TBD

**Session Abstract:** Debt servicing and fiscal consolidation measures are shrinking national healthcare budgets and increasing reliance on unpredictable external financing and private investments. This is constraining access to public healthcare services. As the World Bank Group committed to expand access to health services to 1.5 billion people, and the world is considering the replenishment of key global health funds, the question of how healthcare will be financed becomes more relevant. The session will look at Côte d’Ivoire and Uganda, presenting case studies on how the lack of adequate healthcare financing creates barriers to healthcare access.

- **Moderator:** Matt McConnell, Researcher, Economic Justice and Rights Division, Human Rights Watch
- **Panelist 1:** Olabukunola Williams, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Lead, Akina Mama wa Afrika [TBC]
- **Panelist 2:** Andes Chivangue, Advocacy Coordinator, N’weti
- **Panelist 3:** Camila Barretto Maia, Deputy Director, Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- **Panelist 4:** Denis Bukenya, Human Rights Activist, People’s Health Movement Uganda Chapter



14:00-15:30 (DC Time)

### A Tale of Two Emergencies: The Debt Policies of International Financial Institutions and Fiscal Injustices from a Global South Perspective

**Organizers:** Afrodad, Latindadd, Eurodad, APMDD, Jubilee USA

**Location:** TBD



**Session Abstract:** Debt policies by the international financial institutions have attracted intense controversy over the past decades, exemplified most recently by the popular discontent expressed in most of the Global South countries following several rounds of austerity measures proposals. Situating the Global South financial crisis, the session will explore how to effectively solve the debt and fiscal conditionality crises in a way that will allow these countries to advance development goals.

- **Moderator:** Jason Rosario Braganza, Executive Director, Afrodad
- **Panelist 1:** Jane Nalunga, Executive Director, SEATINI
- **Panelist 2:** Eric LeCompte, Executive Director, Jubilee USA Network
- **Panelist 3:** Samantha Kanoyangwa, Coordinator, African Sovereign Debt Justice Network
- **Panelist 4:** Mark Flanagan, Deputy Director, Strategy, Policy, and Review Department, IMF

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14:00-15:30 (DC Time)

### Zero Tolerance on Reprisals: How is the World Bank Safeguarding Defenders, and How Can Escazú Contribute?

**Organizers:** EJIL, DAR, CIEL, Fundación CAUCE, AIDA, Protection International Mesoamerica, Red de Comunidades Impactadas por IFIs

**Location:** TBD



**Session Abstract:** Development banks must respect human rights and avoid harm through investments. However, environmental defenders often face danger speaking out on bank-financed projects. This session examines World Bank measures against reprisals and suggests how it can leverage best practices from the Escazú Agreement's Action Plan on Human Rights Defenders to protect individuals worldwide.

- **Moderator:** Luisa Gómez Betancur, Senior Attorney, Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL)
- **Panelist 1:** Marcela Mella, Activist, Leader of No Alto Maipo campaign and member of Red de Comunidades Impactadas por IFIs (Network of Communities Impacted by IFIs)
- **Panelist 2:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]
- **Panelist 3:** Constance Nalegach, Head of Office of International Affairs, Office of International Affairs of the Ministry of the Environment of Chile and Working Group of Defenders of the Escazú Agreement
- **Panelist 4:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

14:00-15:30 (DC Time)

### Advancing 1.5°C-aligned Climate Action: Excluding Gas from the Climate Change Action Plan3.0 and the Corporate Scorecard

**Organizers:** Big Shift Global, Power Shift Africa, MENAFem, PMCJ, Indus Consortium, Recourse, BCA, Bank Information Center, SYND, Bretton Woods Project, DHORA Bangladesh, Urgewald

**Location:** TBD

**Session Abstract:** As the World Bank Group looks to replace its Climate Change Action Plan and implement the Corporate Scorecard, this panel will critically assess the role of these in supporting just transition. It will include addressing fossil fuel loopholes, the endgame for gas, renewable energy investment that benefits people and the planet, transparency, and public consultation.

- **Moderator:** Fiza Naz Qureshi, Gas Campaigner, Big Shift Global
- **Panelist 1:** Karabo Mokgonyana, Renewable Energy Campaigner, Power Shift Africa
- **Panelist 2:** Aaron Pedrosa, Legal Team Head, Philippines Movement for Climate Justice
- **Panelist 3:** Hussain Jarwar, Chief Executive Officer, Indus Consortium
- **Panelist 4:** Shereen Talaat, Director, MENAFem
- **Panelist 5:** World Bank Group representative [TBC]

15:30-17:00 (DC Time)

### Beyond Austerity: Feminist Perspectives on the Role of Bretton Woods Institutions

**Organizers:** MENAFem, WEDO, FARN, FEMNET, Recourse, Equidad de Género: Ciudadanía, Trabajo y Familia, ActionAid UK, Latindadd, Akina Mama wa Afrika, Al Bawsala, CESR, Gender Action; Bretton Woods Project, End Austerity Global Campaign, End Austerity MENA Hub, ISER, CEPR, IBON International

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** This session explores the impact of GDP-focused economic policies on Global South nations, particularly under IMF and World Bank austerity measures. It examines how these policies affect women, the working class, and the environment - using case studies from MENA, Africa, and Latin America while highlighting grassroots resistance and alternative economic frameworks.

- **Moderator:** Shereen Talaat, Director and Founder, MENAFem
- **Panelist 1:** Nada Nashat, Head of Women's Public Participation Program, CEWLA
- **Panelist 2:** Julia Gerlo, Research Team, FARN
- **Panelist 3:** Nicole Maloba, Economic Justice & Rights Officer, FEMNET
- **Panelist 4:** Sanam Amin, Independent Researcher
- **Panelist 5:** Monique Newiak Deputy Unit Chief, Inclusion and Gender Unit, IMF

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17:30-19:00 (DC Time)

### Pretend and Extend, or #CancelTheDebt? A Fork in the Road for the Debt Crisis

**Organizers:** Latindadd, Afrodad, ANND, AWC, BAN, Debt Justice, DFI, Eurodad, ISER, Jubilee USA, MENAFem, Oxfam, SLUG

**Location:** HQ2-03B-768



**Session Abstract:** The IMF insists there is no ‘systemic’ debt crisis requiring debt cancellation, but rather a ‘liquidity crisis’ requiring debt rescheduling. Civil society argues the opposite. What empirical bases best assess the extent of the crisis? What are the costs and risks of debt rescheduling and preemptive or post-default restructurings?

- **Moderator:** Patricia Miranda, Global Advocacy Director, Latindadd
- **Panelist 1:** Matthew Martin, Director, Development Finance International
- **Panelist 2:** Martin Guzmán, Professor of Economics, Columbia University
- **Panelist 3:** Hassan Sherry, Senior Program and Research Officer, Arab NGO Network for Development
- **Panelist 4:** Allison Holland, Assistant Director and Division Chief – SPR Department, IMF

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