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Workshop on International Standards for Compact with Africa and G20 countries

November 4th and 5th, 2019 ~ OECD, Paris ~ Room C

Monday November 4th

13.00 – 13.30 Opening Session: **The value added of standard adherence for Compact countries**

13.30 – 15.00 Session 1: **How can Compact countries and G20 countries engage with the OECD Declaration and Decisions on International Investment?**

15.30 – 17.00 Session 2: **How can G20 countries and Compact countries make steps towards eliminating bribery in line with the Anti-Bribery Convention?**

17.30 – 19.00 **Cocktail**

Tuesday November 5th

09.00 – 10.30 Session 3: **How can Compact countries and G20 countries engage with the OECD Recommendation on Corporate Governance of SOEs?**

11.00 – 12.30 Session 4: **How can CwA countries engage with the G20 and OECD standards on Public Procurement?**

12.30 – 14.00 **Lunch**

14.00 – 15.30 Session 5: **How can Compact countries engage with the G20 Principles on Countering Corruption in Customs?**

15.45 – 16.45 Session 6: **How can G20 countries supply quality investment to CwA countries by adhering to OECD Export Credits Disciplines?**

16.45 – 17.30 Session 7: **Moving forward: how can Compact with Africa countries make steps towards standard adherence?**

Day 1 – Monday November 4th

❖ 13:00 **Opening Session: The value added of standard adherence for Compact countries**

Chair: Ludger Schuknecht, Deputy Secretary General, OECD

- ❖ **Ludger Schuknecht, Deputy Secretary General, OECD**
 - *Introduction*

- ❖ **Khaled Sherif, Vice-President, AfDB**
 - *The importance of private investment for growth*
 - *How does a standards initiative fit within the Compact with Africa and existing reform efforts by Compact countries?*

❖ 13:30 **Session 1: How can Compact countries and G20 countries engage with the OECD Declaration and Decisions on International Investment?**

Chair: Mona Haddad, Director of Country Economics, IFC

- ❖ **Mona Haddad, Director of Country Economics, IFC**
 - *The importance of effective investment policy in attracting international investment*
 - *The importance of international investment standards in levelling the playing field and securing responsible investment*
 - *Are existing Compact with Africa activities aligned with the process of adherence towards the Investment Declaration?*

- ❖ **Mike Pfister, Senior Adviser, Investment Division, OECD**
 - *What are the OECD Declaration and Decisions on International Investment?*
 - *What are the economic benefits of adhering to the OECD Declaration and Decisions on International Investment?*
 - *What does the process of striving towards adherence to the Investment Declaration look like?*

- ❖ **Ahmed Kouchouk, Deputy Minister of Finance of Egypt**
 - *Egypt's experience with the Investment Declaration*

- ❖ **Senegal**
 - **Mamadou Keita, President, Observatoire National sur l'Investissement,**
 - *Implementing investment reforms in Senegal using OECD standards*

- ❖ **Discussion**

- ❖ 15:00 **Coffee break**

- ❖ 15:30 **Session 2: How can G20 countries and Compact with Africa countries make steps to eliminate bribery in line with the Anti-Bribery Convention?**

Chair: Ludger Schuknecht, Deputy Secretary-General, OECD

- ❖ **Mathilde Mesnard, Deputy Director, Dir. for Financial Affairs, OECD**
 - *What is the Anti-Bribery Convention?*
 - *What are the implications of G20 countries' adherence to the Anti-Bribery Convention for investment environments in CwA countries?*
 - *What does the process of striving towards adherence to the Anti-Bribery Convention look like?*
 - *How can Compact countries, too, make efforts towards eliminating bribery?*

- ❖ **Yannick Stephant, IFC**
 - *The impacts of foreign bribery for Compact with Africa countries and their investment environments*
 - *How can G20 countries contribute to improving integrity standards in Compact with Africa countries?*
 - *How can existing channels be leveraged to strengthen CwA countries efforts in tackling bribery by foreign and domestic companies?*

- ❖ **Discussion**

- ❖ 17:30 **Cocktail (Room G)**

- ❖ **Remarks by**
OECD Secretary-General, Ángel Gurría

Day 2 – Tuesday November 5th

❖ 09:00 **Session 3: How can Compact countries and G20 countries engage with the OECD Recommendation on the Guidelines on Corporate Governance of State-Owned Enterprises?**

Chair: Khaled Sherif, Vice-President, AfDB

- ❖ **Mathilde Mesnard, Deputy Director, Dir. for Financial Affairs, OECD**
- *What is the OECD Recommendation on the Guidelines on Corporate Governance of State-Owned Enterprises?*
 - *What are the economic benefits of adhering to the OECD Recommendation on SOEs?*
 - *What does the process of striving towards adherence to the Recommendation on SOEs look like?*

- ❖ **Khaled Sherif, Vice-President, AfDB**
- *The importance of good SOE governance in levelling the playing field and encouraging private investment*
 - *Are existing Compact with Africa activities aligned with the process of adherence towards the OECD recommendation?*

- ❖ **Ambassador Felipe Morande of Chile**
- *How have successful SOE governance reforms contributed to a better investment climate in Chile?*

- ❖ **Itumeleng Dlamini, Technical Advisor, African Peer Review Mechanism**
- *Strengthening cooperation to support African member states in striving to adhere to the SOE Guidelines*

- ❖ **Discussion**

- ❖ 10:30 **Coffee**

❖ 11:00 **Session 4: How can CwA countries engage with the G20 Principles for Promoting Integrity in Public Procurement and the OECD Recommendation on Public Procurement?**

Chair: Snezana Mitrovic, Practice Manager, Procurement, World Bank

- ❖ **Janos Bertok, Deputy Director, Public Governance Directorate, OECD**
- *What are the G20 Principles for Promoting Integrity in Public Procurement and the OECD Recommendation on Public Procurement?*
 - *What are the benefits of aligning reforms with procurement standards?*
 - *What does the process of striving towards adherence to the Recommendation on Public Procurement look like?*

- ❖ **Snezana Mitrovic, Practice Manager, Procurement, World Bank**
- *Improving public procurement systems in the African context: how can standards help*

- ❖ **Vukani Ndaba, National Treasury, South Africa**
- *How have procurement system reforms improved outcomes in South Africa?*

- ❖ **Discussion**

❖ 12:30 **Lunch (Marshall Room)**

- ❖ Remarks by
Jeff Schlagenhauf, Deputy Secretary-General, OECD

- ❖ Remarks by
Etienne Giros, President, Conseil français des investisseurs en Afrique

- ❖ Remarks by
Symerre Grey-Johnson, Director, NEPAD

❖ 14:00 **Session 5: How can Compact countries engage with the G20 Principles on Countering Corruption in Customs?**

Chair: Abdoulaye Coulibaly, Director, Governance and Public Finance Management Department, AfDB

- ❖ **Janos Bertok, Deputy Director, Public Governance Directorate, OECD**
- *What are the G20 principles on Countering Corruption in Customs?*
 - *What are the economic benefits of aligning reforms with the G20 Principles on Countering Corruption in Customs?*
 - *What does the process of aligning reforms with the G20 Principles look like and how can countries signal successful reforms to investors?*

- ❖ **Abdoulaye Coulibaly, Director, Governance and Public Finance Management Department, AfDB**
- *The impact of corruption on private investment in Compact with Africa and comparable countries?*
 - *Do existing Compact with Africa activities suffice in aligning countries' reforms in accordance with the G20 Principles on Countering Corruption in Customs?*

- ❖ **Ola Nafstad, Chief Economist, Norfund**
- *The importance of public sector integrity for private companies operating in Compact with Africa countries*

- ❖ **Discussion**

- ❖ 15:30 **Coffee**

❖ 15:45 **Session 6: How can G20 countries supply quality investment to CwA countries by adhering to OECD Export Credits Disciplines?**

Chair: Ludger Schuknecht, Deputy Secretary-General, OECD

- ❖ **David Drysdale, Trade and Agriculture Directorate, OECD**
- *What are the OECD export credits disciplines?*
 - *How can G20 countries' adherence to the export credits disciplines benefit Compact with Africa countries' investment environments?*
 - *What does the process of striving towards adherence to the Export Credits Disciplines look like?*

- ❖ **Christoph Kannengiesser, Chair, Afrika-Verein**
- *The importance of sustainable financing and a level playing field for private investors in Compact with Africa countries*

- ❖ **Eric Fapom, Associate Director, Standard Chartered Bank**
- *The importance of sustainable financing and a level playing field for private investors in Compact with Africa countries*

- ❖ **Discussion**

❖ 16:45 **Session 7: Moving forward: how can Compact with Africa countries make steps towards standard adherence?**

Chair: Ludger Schuknecht, Deputy Secretary General, OECD

- ❖ **Marie-Estelle Rey, Senior advisor, Middle East and Africa Division, Global Relations Secretariat, OECD**
- *Next steps: how can Compact with Africa countries engage with the OECD and IO partners in striving towards adherence to OECD standards?*

- ❖ **Khaled Sherif, Vice-President, AfDB**
- *How can this initiative on standards be integrated in the existing activities of the Compact with Africa?*

- ❖ **Omowunmi Ladipo, Advisor to the Vice-President, World Bank**
- *Ensuring coordination between IO partners in supporting Compact with Africa countries in aligning reform efforts with standard adherence*

❖ **Symerre Grey-Johnson, Head of Regional Integration, Infrastructure, and Trade Programme, NEPAD**

- *OECD standards in the African context: ways forward*

❖ **Discussion and closing remarks**