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A SHOWCASE EVENT ON INVESTMENT PROJECTS
DEVELOPED BY THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK
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OVERVIEW

Event Date:	Tuesday, 18 March 2025
Timing:	0830-19h00
Participants:	+ 60
Venue:	Sofitel Brussels Europe, Place Jourdain 1, 1040 Brussels, Belgium
Meeting Room:	Paul Henri Spaak I
Format:	Physical / no remote connection
Pre-registration:	Under this link
Meeting Chair:	Luuk ZONNEVELD , Chair of the European Development Finance Institutions (EDFI) association (TBC)
AfDB/AWF Lead:	Mtchera Johannes CHIRWA , Acting Director for the Water and Sanitation Department of the African Development Bank (AHWS) / Coordinator of the African Water Facility (AWF)
Rapporteur:	Ms. Alessandra MAGGAZINO , Data & Policy Analyst, EDFI
Handouts:	Investment Opportunity Handouts will be provided at the meeting
Working language:	English / no interpretation provided
Accommodation:	Participants to book own accommodation. A great variety of hotels are available in the near proximity of the Sofitel Brussels Europe
Travel Planning:	Attendees are expected to arrive on Monday, 17 March 2025 and to depart Wednesday, 19 March 2025
Post meeting:	An outcome summary will be provided
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DRAFT AGENDA Update: 19 February 2025		
When / Where	What	Who
08h30 – 09h30	Registration	All
09h30 – 09h45	Welcome and Introduction by the meeting Chair and the Head of the AfDB/AWF Delegation	EDFI / AfDB
09h45-11h00	<p>Panel Discussion + Q&A</p> <p>“Advancing climate and water finance in Africa through sustainable partnerships”</p> <p>Discussions/topics could revolve around:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Africa’s WASH Challenge and the role of the African Development Bank - The role of EU policy and regulatory frameworks in addressing WASH investment needs in Africa, incl. links to EU Global Gateway and the mandate of the African Development Bank 	<p>Moderator:</p> <p>David KUIJPER, CEO, EDFI</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Mtchera Johannes CHIRWA, Acting Director for AHWS, Coordinator AWF, African Development Bank</p> <p>Ms. Emma Hawkings, Investment Director – Innovative Finance, British International Investment (BII) (TBC)</p> <p>Arnaud DE VANSAY, Team Leader, Water, DG INTPA, European Commission</p> <p>Ms. Annemette DITLEVSEN, Investment Director, IFU, Investment Fund for Developing Countries (TBC)</p>



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	- Private capital mobilization for climate /water finance, incl. links to the role of DFI's as enablers	Other (TBC)
11h00-11h30	Morning Break	All
11h30-12h00	AfDB Showcase Overview of selected AfDB Flagship Projects	Michel N'GUESSAN , Chief Water Resource Development Officer, AHWS, African Development Bank
12h00-13h00	AWF Showcase Overview of selected Ready-to-Invest AWF projects and the AWF Pipeline	Samuel BLAZYK , Chief Program and Coordination Officer, AWF, African Development Bank
13h00-14h00	Lunch	All
14h00-15h00	Showcase of the Africa Urban Sanitation Investment Initiative (AUSII) Overview of the AUSII mandate, strategy and requirements	Dr. Debjyoti MUKHERJEE , Principal Public-Private Partnership Finance Specialist, AWF, African Development Bank
15h00-16h00	Q&A	All
16h00-16h30 Room: Atrium	Afternoon Break	All
16h30-17h00	Outcome Summary	Meeting Chair / Rapporteur
17h00-19h00	Bilateral Meetings & Reception	All
19h00	Meeting Ends	All