

About MFW4A

The Making Finance Work for Africa (MFW4A) Partnership is dedicated to supporting the efforts of African countries to strengthen their financial sector by coordinating and facilitating financial sector development initiatives, promoting closer collaboration among development partners and fostering exchanges among African stakeholders.

About the Advisory Council

The Advisory Council was recently established as an additional structure within the Partnership. It facilitates dialogue and exchange between development partners and stakeholders, thus helping to recommend strategic directions and identify priorities in financial sector development (FSD) at the continental, regional and country levels. The Advisory Council also provides guidance to the Partnership in sharpening its focus on the broad financial sector policy agenda.



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MFW4A ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

29 MAY 2013 / 07.30 – 10.00 AM
MARRAKESH, MOROCCO

The Role of the African Financial Sector in the Continent's Structural Transformation

Africa is widely believed to be on the brink of economic transformation. In this drive towards emergence African economies can benefit immensely from more diversified financial systems to overcome many challenges, including the level of investment in infrastructure.

With Official Development Assistance (ODA) heavily constrained by austerity measures in traditional donor countries, Africa has to increase mobilisation and leverage of domestic resources to maintain the momentum of economic growth. Given the urgent needs for long-term capital, the role of financial markets is a critical issue for the continent.

It is in this context that this year's Advisory Council meeting will focus on the role of the financial sector in

Africa's structural transformation. The discussion will seek to identify priority reforms to unlock the potential of African financial markets, with a particular focus on capital markets, long term finance and institutional investors.

QUESTIONS:

- What are the barriers preventing these key stakeholders from playing their full role in Africa's economic transformation?
- What can the stakeholders do to remove these barriers?
- What support do they need from development partners?
- How can the MFW4A Secretariat help?

Agenda

07:30-08:00	Networking Breakfast	
08:00-08:10	Welcome Remarks	Dr. Gabriela Braun <i>(MFW4A Supervisory Committee Chair)</i>
08:10-08:20	Introduction	Dr. Caleb Fundanga <i>(Moderator)</i>
08:20-08:50	Unlocking the potential of long-term finance to drive transformational changes in Africa - The role of financial markets	Ms. Stella Kilonzo <i>(Lead Presenter)</i>
08:50-09:45	Q & A and Open discussion	Dr. Caleb Fundanga
09:45-09:55	Way Forward	Dr. Caleb Fundanga
09:55-10:00	Summary and Closing	Mr. Stefan Nalletamby, <i>MFW4A Partnership Coordinator</i>