

Capacity-building seminar for MDBs and other IFIs on Total Official Support for Sustainable Development (TOSSD)

6 December 2023, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM (CET)

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The TOSSD Secretariat is pleased to invite you to a capacity-building and peer learning seminar, specifically designed for multilateral development banks (MDBs) and other international financial institutions (IFIs). This seminar aims to:

- Strengthen the knowledge and reporting capacities of these institutions on TOSSD.
- Foster peer learning among MDBs and IFIs on the reporting to TOSSD, especially regarding SDG focus marking and reporting on non-core funded activities.
- Initiate a discussion on how to successfully engage with the broader community of regional development banks and those particularly active in emerging markets (e.g., in Africa).

The target audience of this session includes colleagues from the MDB and IFI communities – including regional development banks not yet participating in TOSSD data collection – interested in enhancing their TOSSD knowledge and reporting capacities. **The seminar will be held in English.**

1:00 – 1:05 **Presentation and welcome**

1:05 – 1:45 **Introduction to TOSSD:** What is TOSSD? Why is TOSSD helpful? The benefits of TOSSD. TOSSD's history and recent developments, including the presentation of the latest TOSSD data.

1:45 – 2:20 **Peer learning on TOSSD reporting:** SDG focus and non-core funded activities.

2:20 – 2:30 *Break*

2:30 – 2:55 **TOSSD engagement with regional MDBs:** update and ways forward.

2:55 – 3:00 **Wrap-up and closing remarks.**

Background information

What is TOSSD? Total Official Support for Sustainable Development (TOSSD) is an international standard for measuring all the resources provided by traditional providers, emerging and South-South providers as well as multilateral organisations to promote sustainable development in developing countries. It tracks all official resources, but also private resources mobilised through official means. Contributions to International Public Goods are also collected. **More information is available at <https://tossd.org>.**

What makes TOSSD special? By focusing on sustainable development and the measurement of flows from the recipient perspective, TOSSD fills information gaps and provides recipient countries more transparency on activities carried out in their countries with external support. TOSSD captures the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda provided under various financing mechanisms and frameworks of collaboration (e.g., blended finance, South-South co-operation, thematic global funds). It provides a more inclusive picture of actual financing made available to developing countries in support of sustainable development, thereby helping to promote new partnerships and resource mobilisation approaches critical to ensure transformative sustainable investments and to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

How to access TOSSD data? As of today, the TOSSD database includes more than one million projects and activities, financed by more than 100 bilateral and multilateral providers. The database is publicly available online, for free, at <https://tossd.online>. It provides a unique source of information for analyses on support for sustainable development.