



# International Forum on TOSSD Revised Draft Annotated Agenda for the Third Meeting of the Steering Group

Monday, 10 March to Wednesday, 12 March 2025 Hybrid: OECD Boulogne Office, Paris, France & online via Zoom

# Monday, 10 March

14:00 Item 1. Draft Agenda

For approval

The co-Chairs will open the meeting and invite the IFT Steering Group Members to approve the agenda.

#### 14:10 Item 2. Results of the 2024 TOSSD Data Collection on 2023 Activities

For information - Presentation

The Secretariat will present key findings from the 2024 TOSSD data collection on 2023 activities, covering Pillar I, Pillar II and mobilised private finance. Based on experience gained during this data collection round, the Secretariat will share its analysis of the main reporting issues, best practices and lessons learned. The Steering Group will be invited to comment on these findings.

# 15:00 Item 3. Communication and Outreach Outcomes in 2024 and Strategy for 2025

For discussion – Paper & Presentation: 2025 Outreach and Communication Strategy

The Secretariat will present an overview of communications and outreach activities carried out over the past year for comment by the Steering Group. The Steering Group will be invited to discuss the 2025 Strategy and how Members and Observers can be involved in its implementation. A particular focus will be placed on the 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Financing for Development.

#### 15:45 Coffee Break

#### 16:15 Item 4. Proposed Adjustments to the TOSSD Methodology

For decision – Paper: Updated TOSSD Reporting Instructions Presentation – Updates to TOSSD Code Lists

Following the conclusion of the 2024 data collection on 2023 activities, the Secretariat proposes some adjustments to the methodology to improve the consistency and quality of TOSSD data. The Steering Group is invited to agree on the proposed adjustments, which will then be integrated in an updated version of the TOSSD Reporting Instructions and will take effect in the 2025 reporting on 2024 activities. Upon the Steering Group's approval of the English version of the document, the Secretariat will translate it into French and Spanish.

Under this item, the Steering Group is also invited to consider two proposals from the Secretariat to address issues pending from the September 2024 meeting: 1) the inclusion of contributions to the International Atomic Energy Agency in TOSSD; and 2) the inclusion of the Cook Islands in the list of TOSSD recipients. These decisions will then be implemented in the TOSSD code lists.

# 18:00 Meeting Adjourns





#### Tuesday, 11 March

#### 09:00 Item 5. Use of TOSSD for Tracking Global Commitments

For discussion – Paper: Elements for a Policy Paper on the Use of TOSSD for Tracking Global Commitments in the Field of Climate Finance and Biodiversity

The IFT Budget and Work Plan for 2025-26 includes a policy paper on the use of TOSSD for tracking global commitments.¹ Discussion on this topic is timely given the agreement reached in the Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) on the new collective quantified goal (NCQG) on climate finance. Furthermore, based on exchanges during the Second IFT Steering Group meeting in September 2024, the Secretariat has developed a concrete plan for a pilot study on tracking spending on biodiversity and refining TOSSD data on biodiversity. The plan has been developed keeping in mind that some members have cautioned against expanding the scope of TOSSD. The Steering Group will be invited to provide comments and feedback on the first elements for a policy paper and the work of the Secretariat in this area in 2025.

#### 10:30 Coffee Break

### 11:00 Item 6. Implementation of the TOSSD Data Review Mechanism

For discussion – Presentation

The recipient data review mechanism, agreed upon and piloted by the IFT in 2024, is due to be implemented in Q1 2025. The Secretariat has developed 'TOSSD recipient profiles' for this purpose, which are to be made available on tossd.org. In addition, a webpage will become available, inviting recipient countries and territories to participate by reviewing data on cross-border flows to them and providing feedback to the Secretariat. The Steering Group is invited to comment on the draft webpage.

#### 12:00 Item 7. TOSSD Provider Perspective

For discussion – Presentation

The Secretariat has developed a proposal for a more user-friendly presentation of TOSSD data from the provider perspective. The proposal takes into consideration previous discussions in the International TOSSD Task Force and requests from IFT Members and Observers over the past year. Members are reminded that such data presentations would only be produced upon request and that there is no intention to use them for comparisons across providers. The proposal is presented for comment.

# 13:00 Lunch Break

# 14:30 Item 8. Update on IFT Membership and Funding

For discussion - Presentation

The Secretariat will provide an update on IFT membership and funding (pledges and signed grant agreements). It will also outline the process for renewing the hosting arrangement of the IFT Secretariat at the OECD from 2027 onwards. The Steering Group will be invited to comment on the presentation and share their views on the hosting arrangement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Paragraph 9 of the IFT Budget and Work Plan 2025-26 states: "The Steering Group will explore concrete opportunities for TOSSD to contribute to tracking global commitments e.g. in the field of climate change and biodiversity. In these areas, the existing commitments comprise both bilateral and multilateral contributions as well as mobilised private finance (MPF), corresponding to Pillar I and MPF components of TOSSD. The Steering Group will explore the scope of using TOSSD Pillar II data in this context, too, for example for monitoring domestic (provider-country) spending in support of climate action and other global environmental objectives."





# 15:15 Item 9. 2024 Annual Report of the International Forum on TOSSD

For discussion – Mock-up of the IFT Annual Report 2024

The Secretariat will present the mock-up of the IFT Annual Report for 2024, which will cover the Forum's main activities and achievements throughout the year. The Steering Group is invited to provide comments and insights to guide the Secretariat. The Secretariat aims to finalise the report for public launch in early April.

#### 16:00 Coffee Break

# 16:30 Item 10. Creation of the IFT Statistical Working Group: Composition and Practical Organisation of Meetings

For discussion – Paper & Presentation: Creation of the IFT Statistical Working Group

The IFT Terms of Reference set out the role and mandate, composition, and working methods and resources for a permanent Statistical Working Group (SWG). The Steering Group is invited to discuss the steps required to create the SWG, including considerations regarding the first SWG meeting.

#### 18:00 Meeting adjourns

# Wednesday, 12 March

# 9:00 Item 11. Review of the Terms of Reference (ToRs) of the International Forum on TOSSD

For discussion – Paper: Proposed Updates to the IFT Terms of Reference

During the first year of implementation of the IFT, the Secretariat received a number of comments and suggestions from Members on the ToRs and how certain points could be clarified. The Steering Group is invited to comment on the proposed updates to the ToRs, which will then be presented to the General Assembly for approval.

# 10:30 Item 12. Preparation of the 2025 IFT General Assembly

For discussion – Presentation

The 2025 meeting of the IFT General Assembly will take place after the FfD4 Conference, making it a great opportunity to think about the future of TOSSD and the IFT for the next decade. The Secretariat will draft a policy paper on the IFT's strategic priorities, to be presented at the meeting of the General Assembly. The Steering Group is invited to suggest agenda items and discuss the ambitions and expectations for this meeting, scheduled to take place between 29 September and 2 October 2025 in Madrid, Spain.

# 11:30 Item 13. IFT Co-Chairs' Strategy Paper

For discussion – Presentation: IFT Co-Chairs' Strategy Paper

The co-Chairs have reviewed their <u>Strategy Paper from 2021</u> and decided to update it now that the IFT has been established. Under this agenda item, they will present their ideas about the ambition for the Strategy Paper. The Steering Group is invited to comment. Their aim is to finalise the paper shortly after the meeting so as to disseminate it ahead of key international events on development finance in 2025.

#### 12:30 Item 14. Any Other Business

The Steering Group may also use this time to revert to previous items that might require further discussion.

#### 13:00 End of Meeting