

**AfDB Annual Meeting FSD Africa Events -26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025 in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire**

Date	Event	Target Audience
<p><b>08:00 – 10:00 AM,</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b></p>	<p><b>Re-wiring Capital Flows in Africa: A Local Currency Solution for MDB Portfolio Transfer and Domestic Capital Mobilisation</b></p> <p>FSD Africa, with support from the MDB Challenge Fund, has led the development of a groundbreaking Local Currency Solution for MDBs Portfolio Transfer. The initiative aims to unlock African institutional capital by enabling MDBs to transfer seasoned (brownfield) assets to domestic investors, thus freeing up capital for further lending and contributing to the deepening of local capital markets.</p> <p>This session, to be held on the sidelines of the 2025 AfDB Annual Meetings, seeks to deepen stakeholder engagement with MDBs, African institutional investors, policymakers, and global financial actors on the design and implementation of the portfolio transfer vehicle.</p> <p>Through this event, FSD Africa aims to contribute meaningfully to the global conversation on MDB reform and capital optimisation, while advancing Africa-led solutions to address the continent's pressing development and climate financing needs.</p> <p><b>This is an invite only session</b></p>	<p><b>Invite only session</b></p>
<p><b>12:30 PM to 1:30 PM GMT</b></p> <p><b>Wednesday, 28 May 2025</b></p>	<p><b>Disseminating report “Understanding the potential of securitisation to reduce the financing gap &amp; promote capital markets development in Africa”</b></p> <p>The securitisation market in Africa is still nascent, albeit one that is gaining traction among African institutional investors and one that can play an important role in increasing access to capital and delivering impact on the continent. A key impediment to the development of the market is the lack of legal and regulatory frameworks for securitisation in most</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DFIs</li> <li>• Donors</li> <li>• Philanthropies</li> <li>• Multilateral banks</li> <li>• Financial market actors</li> <li>• Market regulators</li> <li>• Policy Makers</li> <li>• Financial Institutions</li> </ul>

	<p>African countries. The underdevelopment is also due to the lack of awareness and an underdeveloped ecosystem.</p> <p>British International Investment (BII) in collaboration with FSD Africa commissioned a study to assess the potential of securitisation in Africa.</p> <p><b>To reserve your seat, please email your name, position, organisation and contact details to <a href="mailto:communications@fsdafrica.org">communications@fsdafrica.org</a></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institutional investors</li> <li>• Issuers &amp; originators</li> <li>• Government MDAs</li> <li>• Market intermediaries</li> <li>• Academia</li> <li>• Legal&amp; Accounting</li> <li>• Financial Press</li> </ul>
<p><b>12.30-2.00 PM</b></p> <p><b>Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup> 2025</b></p>	<p><b>High – level roundtable meeting on the African Sustainable Finance Taxonomy</b></p> <p>The African Financial Alliance on Climate Change (AFAC) was established by the African Development Bank in 2018 as a voluntary network of African financial institutions dedicated to mobilizing and directing private capital towards low-carbon development across the continent. This mission was reinforced by a call to action from 19 African heads of State during the 2023 Africa Climate Summit, urging governments, central banks, commercial banks, institutional investors, and other financial entities to mobilize the essential capital needed for development and climate action within African nations. In this context, AFAC has facilitated comprehensive stakeholder consultations with financial and real sector stakeholders since September 2024 to create a sustainable finance taxonomy for the financial sector. This taxonomy addresses a critical need among financial sector stakeholders for a transparent framework to categorize financial assets, transactions, and companies based on their contributions to achieving sustainability objectives within the African context. Its aim is to facilitate climate financial flows into Africa's climate-smart opportunities by guiding the origination and structuring of sustainable financing products, enhancing efficiency in screening processes, informing regulatory guidelines, simplifying the identification of green investment opportunities, and promoting consistency in the labeling of green financial products. The objective of this workshop is to enhance awareness of taxonomy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial sector</li> <li>• Finance regulatory authorities</li> <li>• Central banks</li> <li>• Finance ministries</li> <li>• Regional economic authorities</li> <li>• Capital markets</li> <li>• Development banks</li> <li>• Institutional investors</li> <li>• Policy makers</li> </ul>

	<p>development and to examine governance and ownership options for the taxonomy, drawing upon lessons learned from established taxonomies.</p> <p><b>To reserve your seat, please email your name, position, organisation and contact details to <a href="mailto:communications@fsdafrica.org">communications@fsdafrica.org</a></b></p>	