

# SWA Asia and the Pacific Finance Ministers' Meetings Sparking Economic Growth: The Case for Investing in water, Sanitation and Hygiene Draft Agenda

Wednesday, 2 December, 12:30 India | 14:00 Bangkok | 2:00 New York

To register and join: www.sanitationandwaterforall.org/meeting/asia-and-pacific-finance-ministers-meeting

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION			
Introductory video	Why invest in water, sanitation and hygiene	3 mins	
Welcome remarks	Catarina de Albuquerque, Chief Executive Officer, SWA	2 mins	
Opening remarks	Henrietta Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF	15 mins	
	Karin Hulshof, Regional Director UNICEF, East Asia and Pacific Regional Office		
	Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director General, World Health Organization		
	Bambang Susantono, Vice-President for Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development, Asia Development Bank		
CONTEXT SETTING			
Global political context	The Hon. Kevin Rudd, High-Level Chair, SWA  Making the social, political and economic case for investment in water, sanitation and hygiene and the role of ministers of finance	5 mins	



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Regional water, sanitation and hygiene context

Oyun Sanjaasuren, Director of Division of External Affairs, Green Climate Fund The state of water, sanitation and hygiene in Asia and Pacific, the extent to which COVID-19 has impacted its delivery, and the role of finance in maximizing economic and health benefits offered by this sector

5 mins

## PANEL DISCUSSION: SPARKING ECONOMIC RECOVERY, THE CASE FOR INVESTING IN WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Introduction by Moderator

Jyoti Shukla, Director, Singapore Infrastructure and Urban Development Hub, World Bank Introducing panelists and summarizing noteworthy practices from each country

5 mins

#### Panel discussion:

- Hon. Ajith Nivard Cabraal, State Minister of Money & Capital Market and State Enterprise Reforms, Sri Lanka
- Hon. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications, Fiji
- Mr. Febrio Nathan Kacaribu, Head of Fiscal Policy Agency and Deputy Minister, Indonesia
- Hon, Bishnu Prasad Paudel, Minister of Finance, Nepal

Session 1: **Ministerial Dialogue** Investing in water. sanitation and hygiene: country practices

- H.E. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Minister of Jal Shakti, India
- H.E. Md Tazul Islam, Minister of Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives, Bangladesh

45 mins

### Q&A with ministers of finance Reactions from peers

- Amb. Christian Frutiger, Assistant Director General and Head of Global Cooperation, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
- Amano Yusuke, Senior Vice President, Japan International Cooperation Agency
- Bertrand Walckenaer, Associate Chief Executive Officer, Agence Française de Développement

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Session 2: Multi-stakeholder dialogue with ministers of finance	Dialogue with other stakeholders, including sector ministers, on how to address the financing challenge	28 mins	
Elevator pitches to finance ministers	Different partners and constituencies present 20-second-long pitches to ministers of finance about how they can help facilitate improved financing arrangements in the sector		
CLOSING SESSION			
Concluding remarks Invitation to the 2021 Sector Ministers' Meeting	The Hon. Suharso Monoarfa, Minister of National Development and Planning, Indonesia	5 mins	
Final Thank You	Patrick Moriarty, Steering Committee Chair, SWA	3 mins	
TOTAL TIME		120 mins	