



30th MEETING OF THE WBIF PROJECT FINANCERS' GROUP

AGENDA

10 – 11 November 2020, Virtual Meeting

10 November: (closed) Project Oriented Session

- 08:30 - 09:00 **Registration to Virtual Meeting**
Please see instructions
- 09:00 - 09:15 **Introduction to Virtual PFG**
Mr. Michael Vögele, Head of Sector, DG NEAR Mr. Vitomir Miles Raguz, CEB
- 09:15 - 09:30 **Status update: Joint Fund Balance**
Mrs. Jasmin Khalaf, Acting Principal Manager, EBRD
- 09:30 - 11:00 **Screening and Assessment TA Round 24**
- En-bloc presentations TA Round 24
- Mr. Michael Vögele, DG NEAR*
- 11:00 - 11:30 **Coffee break**
- 11:30 - 12:30 **Screening and Assessment TA Round 24 (cont.) and update INV Round 05**
- En-bloc presentations TA Round 24 continued
 - Update on INV Round 05
 - Proposed eligibility criteria TA Round 25 and INV Round 06
 - Projects considered for cancellation
 - Discussion
- Mr. Michael Vögele, DG NEAR*
- 12:30 - **AOB**

**11 November: (open) Policy and Strategy Session
Common Session (09:00 – 10:45)**

- 08:30 - 09:00 **Registration to Virtual Meeting**
Please see instructions
- 09:00 - 09:15 **Introduction to Virtual PFG day 2 & Update on TA Round 24**
Mr. Colin Wolfe, Head of Unit, DG NEAR
- 09:15 - 09:30 **Key issues from IFI and BD Co-Chairs and Beneficiaries**
Mr. Vitomir Miles Raguz, CEB & Mrs. Elisabeth Gruber, Austria, Federal Ministry of Finance, Beneficiary representative tbc
- 09:30 - 10:45 **Common Session, WBIF Classic & EDIF**
 - Update on the Economic Investment Plan for the Western Balkans
 - WBIF transition to IPA III - State of play
 - Discussion*Mr. Colin Wolfe, DG NEAR*
- 10:45 - 11:00 **Coffee break**
- 11:00 - 11:30 **Strategy and Action Plan for Tackling Implementation Delays**
Mr. Michael Vögele, DG NEAR
- 11:30 - 12:00 **WBIF Secretariat Updates**
 - Proposed Digital, ENV and SOC eligibility criteria for INV*Mr. Michael Vögele, DG NEAR*
 - Communication and Visibility*Mrs. Stine Andresen, Head of the WBIF Secretariat*
- 12:00 - 12:30 **CEB Presentation of IFICO research “Youth Education”**
Mrs. Jasmina Glisovic, CEB
- “Brain and Skill Drain from WB6: Can WBIF Mitigate?”**
Mr. Edo Omic and Mrs. Alessia Thiebaud, Economists, CEB
- 12:30 - 13:00 **EIB Summary Implementation Report**
Mr. Giorgio Watschinger, EIB
- 13:00 - **AOB**