





## 11<sup>th</sup> Investor Roundtable Programme

**Theme:** Empowering Tomorrow: Enabling Investment

Date: 27 June 2024 Time: 0900hrs – 1300hrs Location: Livingstone, Zambia

## Theme: "Empowering Tomorrow: Enabling Investment"

The theme reflects ATIDI's commitment to promote Africa's economic growth and the well-being of its people through sustainable financing. It emphasizes the continent's potential for progress, particularly with its youthful population which constitutes almost 60% of the people under the age of 24 years. This theme further underscores the transformative impact of sustainable finance on Africa's future, promoting resilience, inclusivity and prosperity.

More importantly, the theme highlights ATIDI's role in mobilizing resources for infrastructure development and its commitment to provide innovative financial solutions aligned with social and environmental goals. This encourages discussions on inclusive financial strategies, responsible investment practices and collaborative efforts for a robust financial ecosystem. Ultimately, it sets the stage for a forwardthinking dialogue aimed at shaping a more prosperous, equitable and sustainable future for Africa - through collective exploration and collaboration.

## Synopsis

In 2021, Africa received only 3.5% of global Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) flows, the lowest among the six continents, despite ample investment opportunities. Limited access to financing, partly due to perceived political and economic risks, hinders development. To address this, a brainstorming session seeks innovative solutions to attract capital for infrastructure to catalyze private investment.

The roundtable will focus on "Enhancing Africa's Access to Global and Domestic Finance," and will gather stakeholders like financial experts, policymakers and business leaders. Our goal is to identify challenges and then provide strategic solutions that will enhance access to finance, particularly from global capital markets, so as to foster economic growth consequently impacting Africa's youth.

Discussions will acknowledge hurdles in accessing domestic and global markets due to issues like low credit ratings and regulatory complexities. Focus areas include integration into global markets, support from financial institutions, global models of financial inclusion and aligning financial strategies with ESG principles.

Collaborative efforts will be stressed for investor-friendly reforms and capacity building. Technology's role, including digital finance and fintech in connecting African economies with financial networks, will also be explored.

The roundtable aims to foster a dialogue on actionable steps for Africa's integration into the global financial system, promoting cooperation, innovation and sustainability for long-term prosperity.

Given the foregoing, ATIDI will hold two roundtable discussions to deal with access to finance for both private and public sector:

## Programme

Event Moderator:	Lucy Machel, Principal Claims & Recoveries Officer – ATIDI
0830hrs -0900hrs	Registration
0900hrs – 0920hrs	Open Address, Manuel Moses, CEO - ATIDI
0920hrs – 0940hrs	Keynote address by Dr. Situmbeko Musokotwane, Minister of Finance and National Planning – Zambia
0940hrs – 1040hrs	<ul> <li>Access to finance for the private sector: What are the challenges facing the private sector in accessing finance, locally or externally? Are there workable solutions?</li> <li>Moderator: Pizzaro Lukhanda, Senior Underwriter – ATIDI</li> <li>Panelists: <ol> <li>Mukwandi Chibesakunda, CEO – ZANACO</li> <li>Dr. Olasupo Olusi, Managing Director/CEO - Bank of Industry</li> <li>Mizinga Melu, Chief Executive Officer, Absa Bank Zambia Plc</li> <li>Ceaser Siwale, CEO of Pangaea Securities, Zambia</li> <li>Rennie Kariuki, Sr. Underwriter – ATIDI</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
1040hrs – 1115hrs	Networking Break
1115hrs – 1225hrs	<ul> <li>Access to Sustainable Finance: What limits African governments Access to Finance? How can the private sector provide sustainable finance to close the gap left by concessional funding? What key policy reforms and initiatives do governments need to take?</li> <li>Moderator: Dr. Patrick Chileshe, Country Risk Analyst – ATIDI</li> <li>Panelists: <ol> <li>Ms Sonia Essobmadje, CFA – Chief, Innovative Finance and Capital Markets – UNECA</li> <li>Mr. Felix Nkulukusa, Secretary to the Treasury, Ministry of Finance and National Planning, Zambia</li> <li>Ahmed Attout, Acting Director, Financial Sector Development Department – African Development Bank</li> </ol> </li> <li>Maryam Khosrowshahi, Managing Director, Chair Global SSA Co-Head Africa Coverage &amp; Head CEEMEA Sovereign DCM - Deutsche Bank</li> <li>Ankit Khandelwal, Head of Africa – Sovereigns, DFIs and Blended Finance Corporate Banking Division for EMEA - MUFG Bank, Ltd</li> <li>Stuart Hulks, Head of Insurance and ECA - London, Rand Merchant Bank</li> </ul>
1225hrs – 1240hrs	Expert's view on Supporting Africa's Achievement of SDGs through Trade Finance
1240hrs – 1300hrs	- Dr. Dev Haman, Assistant Secretary General Admin & Finance, COMESA Closing Panel: Bilal Bassiouni, Head of Risk Forecasting - Pangea-Risk & Benjamin Mugisha, Chief Underwriting Officer – ATIDI
1300hrs	Lunch



Re-thinking risk. Enabling finance.

www.atidi.africa