



**Recovery and Resilience
through Digital and Financial
Inclusion**
#FamilyRemittances



**IDFR 2021-2022
Campaign**

Observance event

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Sandton Sun Hotel

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Observance event for the

International Day of Family Remittances:

Recovery and resilience through digital and financial inclusion

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09:30 - 13:00 GMT+2

Venue: Johannesburg, Sandton Sun Hotel

<https://familyremittances.org/idfr-2022/observance-event-in-south-africa/>

Provisional agenda

09:00	Registration and welcome coffee
09:30	<p>Welcoming remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambrosio Barros, Acting Head, IFAD Multi-Country Office Southern Africa, East and Southern Africa Division, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
09:40	<p>Observance of the International Day of Family Remittances 2022</p> <p>The International Day of Family Remittances (IDFR) was unanimously proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 2018, in recognition of the crucial contribution migrants and their families make to the development of their communities of origin through remittances. The Day calls upon governments, the private sector and the civil society to find ways to maximize the impact of these flows through individual and/or collective actions.</p> <p>High level remarks:¹</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - South African Reserve Bank - Representative of the European Union to the Republic of South Africa
10:00	<p>Remittance families and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</p> <p>This panel aims at addressing the impact of remittances on the social and economic development of receiving families, through greater financial inclusion, investment and employment generation. The session will analyse the national context, cover aspects such as customer protection and market integrity, and the linkages with the sending end. Examples of current and upcoming initiatives will be shared.</p>

¹ Speakers tbc

	<p>Moderator: Pedro De Vasconcelos, Manager, Financing Facility for Remittances (FFR), IFAD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Munya Chiura, Head Rest of Africa, Growth, Flutterwave - Dare Okoudjou, Founder and CEO, MFS Africa - Damola Owolade, Head, SADC Financial Inclusion Programme, FinMark Trust - Jason Theede, Senior Labour Mobility and Human Development Specialist, Southern Africa, International Organization for Migration (IOM) <p>Q&A</p>
11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30	<p>Country Diagnostic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leonard Makuvaza, Remittances and Inclusive Digital Finance Officer, FFR, IFAD <p>The Remittances Access Initiative (RAI) programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Antonia Esser, Engagement Manager, Cenfri
11:55	<p>The national remittance market and the role of the private sector in greater digital and financial inclusion</p> <p>The panel intends to highlight the opportunities offered by the national remittance market, and how digitalization and innovative business models can play a crucial role in facilitating access and the provision of inclusive remittance-related services to underserved customers, particularly in remote areas, and to women and youth.</p> <p>Moderator: Barry Cooper, Technical Director, Cenfri</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr George Chirwa, Director, eZaga Remit - Cat Denoon-Stevens, Head of Product Incubation, Mukuru - Ruhling Herbst, Executive Head: Africa Business Development, BankservAfrica <p>Q&A</p>
12:55	<p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pedro De Vasconcelos, Manager, FFR, IFAD
13:00	<i>Lunch</i>