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63 DAYS TO GO



IFAD, UN OSAA and the **World Bank Group** are pleased to invite you to the **GFRID Summit 2023**, to be held on **14-16 June at the United Nations Office at Nairobi**.

As we move closer to the event, this weekly digest will dig into different aspects thereof, from agenda insights to speakers' contributions to engagement opportunities, which we encourage you to take advantage of.

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The programme: Day 1

Day 1 will focus on discussions around the topic "**Remittances and diaspora investment: key socio-economic forces in Africa**".

The opening session will be followed by deep dive sessions on:

- Rescuing the SDGs by 2030: empowering one billion remittance family members
- Harnessing the power of migrants: misconceptions and opportunities
- The digital remittance revolution approaching 2030
- Data and market intelligence as the basis for effective decision-making
- Migrants' contribution to climate adaptation and resilience: towards a new paradigm?
- Remittance track: Central bank digital currencies, blockchain and cryptocurrencies in the remittance space: a reality check
- Diaspora track: Making diaspora investment market-oriented

[Read the detailed agenda](#)

Introducing the technical partners

African Diaspora Network (ADN) is a non-profit organization aimed at bringing together



the African diaspora and key partners to actualize their full potential, activate their entrepreneurial spirit, and strategically mobilize financial and intellectual resources to ensure a brighter future for the African continent.

Introducing Almaz Negash, African Diaspora Network



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Nairobi, Kenya



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“I am honored to speak at the GFRID Summit 2023, a convening of multi-stakeholders from the private, public, academic, and government sectors committed to advancing remittances and diaspora investments in Africa. The timing for GFRID couldn't have been better given the increased interest from the public and private sector on the role the African diaspora plays in the development of Africa by giving time, talent, and treasure. To all ADN partners and friends in Africa, I hope to see you at GFRID.”



Secure your spot and register to the Summit

International Day of Family Remittances



The **GFRID Summit 2023** will take place in the context of the [International Day of Family Remittances \(IDFR\)](#), a universally-recognized observance adopted by the United Nations General Assembly ([Resolution A/RES/72/281](#)) and marked every year on 16 June. The day recognizes the contribution of over 200 million migrants, who send remittances home to 800 million family members.

This year, the IDFR will be observed on the last day of the GFRID Summit, 16 June, at the United Nations Office at Nairobi. Through this observance, the UN aims to raise greater awareness about the impact that remittances have on millions of households, entire communities and countries.

IDFR Campaign 2023-2024

The IFAD-led [IDFR campaign 2023-2024: Digital Remittances towards financial inclusion and cost reduction](#) recognizes the positive impact of digital remittances not only on reducing transfer costs but also on enabling financial and digital inclusion among the most vulnerable groups of

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TOWARDS FINANCIAL INCLUSION
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senders and recipients.

The campaign encourages all industry stakeholders from the public and private sectors, the civil society and diaspora organizations to share good practices, successful initiatives and innovations that have fostered financial inclusion through digital payments.

Share your practices

RemTECH Awards



The [Remittances Innovation Awards \(RemTECH Awards 2023\)](#), presented at the GFRID Summit, will showcase innovative and impactful contributions made by individuals and organizations in the remittances, investment, and development space. The Awards Ceremony, coordinated by [CrossTech](#), will provide a platform for the awardees to share their achievements and inspire others.

The last day for submission is 15 April. [Send your entries!](#)

Plan your visit



The Summit will take place at the [United Nations Office at Nairobi](#), the UN's headquarters in Africa.

For hotel reservations, visa, accreditation, opportunities to visit the country and other details related to participation, please check the [Plan your visit](#) section.

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