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Transforming Financial Systems for Climate and Nature
Which role for Public Development Banks?

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Partners	Public Development Banks (PDBs) working in the Amazon Basin, IDFC, Finance in Common
Description of objective, content and expected outcomes of the session	Finance underpins the successful realization of the sustainable futures we all want. Making worldwide financial capital and flows compatible with the SDGs is therefore essential. This imperative is already recognized in international agreements and frameworks, including Article 2.1.c of the Paris Agreement on climate, the Sendai Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction through Part 3, and, more recently, in the Montreal/Kunming Global Biodiversity Framework through its Goal D. The design and implementation of system-level transformation is emerging as the new frontier within the financial community for implementing the 2030 Agenda. Over the past decades, a "quiet revolution" has taken place, with the progressive structuring of sustainable finance landscapes and activities by many financial institutions and stakeholders, aided by the international community and other partners. These efforts, however, remain incomplete and still need to be turned into concrete outcomes. The implementation of the climate and SDGs agendas is lagging behind. Today, only a fraction of financial capital and flows can be considered as climate and SDGs-compatible. Much more needs to be done. Pressure is mounting on all financial entities to fully align with the climate and nature agendas as well as the SDGs. These expectations point to the transformation of financial systems towards sustainability at both global and local levels. In this context, the World Resources Institute (WRI), with the support of AFD and the Finance in Common movement, in partnership with other stakeholders, has

	initiated a political economy analysis of the main opportunities or barriers of the transformation of local financial systems in the Amazon Basin. The starting point is a collaborative analysis of the potential role of – and further progress by – Public Development Banks (PDBs) on their journey to scale up the quantity, quality and impact of the green finance they provide, and, beyond, their contributions to the greening of the financial systems within which they operate. The event will present and discuss the approach and initial findings of this concrete, field-based, financial system transformation analysis, and its implications for the different stakeholders: PDB community, including local PDBs, national authorities (regulators, ministries, policy makers), private financial institutions, investors, asset owners and managers, credit rating agencies, relevant research institutes, universities, CSOs, as well as other groups or coalitions. The discussion will cover how this type of analysis can be used for the collective elaboration of engagement plans to implement the required changes within the local financial system, ensuring ownership and buy-in. The potential to expand the approach to interested stakeholders, countries or regions, including beyond Latin America will also be explored.
Run of show and Speakers	Duration : 90 mn Speakers Keynote presentation ***Shifting finance to achieve systemic change:*** ***Transforming Financial Systems for Climate and Nature in the Amazon*** - **Shuang Liu, Acting Global Director of the Finance Center, WRI** Panel discussion - **Anderson Caputo Silva**, **Division chief of the Connectivity, Capital Markets, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)** - spotlight on the Green Coalition for the Amazon initiative, and the scaling up of the role of Public Development Banks in greening finance - **Alejandra Lopez, Head of Climate Diplomacy, Transforma** - how finance through Public Development Banks can support a just transition and enhance equitable access to resources - **Olympus Manthata, Head, Climate and Environment Finance, Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA)** - transforming finance to support just energy transitions - **Mustapha Kleiche, Head, IDFC Climate and Nature Facility** - strengthening capacities, facilitating cross-capitalization and promoting collaborative approaches to green financial systems Moderator : **Alexis Bonnel** – Strategy and Foresight – Agence Française de Développement (AFD)