

FDI Qualities

To harness foreign investment for sustainable development...



30% of global investments in renewables were foreign investment in 2020. But in some countries considerable FDI goes into fossil fuel-based electricity generation



Foreign firms are 60% more likely to invest in R&D and twice as likely to use new technologies but in developing countries FDI is concentrated in low-tech and low-productivity sectors.



FDI most often flows into sectors which employ smaller shares of women but foreign firms tend to hire more women than comparable local firms



FDI creates around 180,000 direct jobs every month and contributes to higher living standards and upskilling but the benefits are often not equally shared across society

...policies and institutions matter



Provide coherent strategic direction on sustainable investment and ensure effective implementation



Ensure that regulations encourage positive impacts of investment on sustainable development



Prioritise financial and technical support that addresses market failures and helps build capacities



Address information failures and administrative barriers that discourage sustainable investment



Strengthen the role of development co-operation to mobilise sustainable investment



FDI Qualities Indicators



Measure impact and outcomes across countries and SDGs

FDI Qualities Policy Toolkit



Identify the right policy mix and institutional setting

FDI Qualities Network



Engage with national and global stakeholders

Applications



Country and regional assessments

OECD Council Recommendation on FDI Qualities

Commitment to using policy and institutions to increase sustainable investment and deliver on the 2030 SDGs

First government-backed agreement to help policy makers to leverage FDI to finance the SDGs and optimise the strength and quality of the recovery

