4TH ANNUAL WORKSHOP FOR PRACTITIONERS FROM FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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Financial Institutions are increasingly concerned about the potential environmental, health, safety and social (EHS) impacts of the projects that they support, either commercially or for developmental purposes. At the same time, non-governmental organisations are increasingly looking to monitor the actions of financial institutions to protect the environment and affected peoples. This Workshop is an opportunity for EHS specialists from all types of financial institutions to meet, share experiences and explore EHS issues with the objective of improving due diligence techniques and promoting globally-consistent approaches to addressing EHS impacts.

The focus of this Workshop is:

- Exchanging experiences and learning from each other and from international experts
- Promoting coherence and good practice
- Enhancing efficiency, collaboration and a level playing field
- Exploring opportunities for co-operating on due diligence and monitoring activities

Practitioners will be invited to share their approaches to undertaking EHS due diligence, including by presenting:

- Recent developments at their institution, including new policy initiatives
- Case studies of relevant projects

To facilitate discussions, plenary and break-out sessions led by Practitioners and invited experts will be held on topics of interest, such as:

- Biodiversity
- Due diligence tools in the extractives sector
- Human rights impacts
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- Climate change and approaches to coal
- Loan documentation and project monitoring
- Health and safety issues
- Partnering on project due diligence

The Workshop is open to EHS specialists from all types of financial institutions (export credit agencies, Equator Principles Financial Institutions, commercial banks, development institutions, etc.).

Attendance is free; however, contributions from attendees are invited in the form of presentations, recommendations of topics for discussion, and suggestions for invited experts.

To register or obtain more information, please contact the OECD Secretariat.

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