

High-level Side Event 2018 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development

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TRANSFORMING FINANCE IN ASIA-PACIFIC: THE FINTECH REVOLUTION

Monday, 23 April 2018
18:30 – 20:00 hrs

The West Terrace, 4th Floor, Main building
United Nations Headquarters, New York

Objective and format

- The objective of this side event on "Transforming Finance in Asia-Pacific: The FinTech Revolution" will be to discuss various aspects of the prospects for FinTech from the perspective of Asia and the Pacific.
- The event will a) review experiences of Asia-Pacific countries in pursuing various initiatives pertaining to FinTech; b) identify policy and regulatory challenges in harnessing the potential of FinTechs; and c) discuss ways by which enhanced regional cooperation, with the support of ESCAP, can facilitate member States in taking the initiatives forward.
- The side event will be organized as a high-level panel discussion, which will be followed by open discussion.

Priority issues

- Prospects and achievements of countries in the region in advancing the priority areas of financing for development;
- Positive developments in improving financial inclusion in countries in the region;
- Prospects for FinTech in Asia and the Pacific;
- Contours of a proportional approach to regulation of FinTech which promotes financial inclusion while maintaining financial stability;
- Policies for Governments and the private sector to work better together to promote FinTech.

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