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IMCA Side Event at COP30

Accelerating Climate Finance
to Emerging Markets and
Developing Economies at
Speed and Scale

November 12th, 2025 – 11:30AM to
1:00PM

Africa Pavilion – Blue Zone



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Building on the foundations laid in prior events, this gathering will convene representatives from IMCA Members, including Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Iceland, and the Nordic Development Fund. Together, in a collaborative endeavor, participants will review the tangible progress made to date and launch IMCA's newest funding window.

Objectives

The side event will review the progress of IMCA over the last year, demonstrating the effective collaboration and action that has occurred through the alliance. The event will mark the official launch of IMCA's 3rd funding window: the Adaptation Finance Window for Africa, with a formal Call for Proposals to be announced during the session. The session will also provide a pivotal platform for partner countries and organisations to share important updates and announcements all aligned with IMCA's mission of driving forward blended finance vehicles to mobilise billions of dollars in private capital for climate finance in emerging markets and developing economies.

Context

IMCA aims to raise concessional, catalytic donor financing in the millions of USD, leveraging this to attract billions in private capital from institutional and other investors for investments in emerging markets and developing economies. The approach of IMCA is to foster collaboration among leading countries, development finance institutions, philanthropic organisations, and asset owners through project pipeline coordination and collaborative tendering for asset managers for investing in climate mitigation and adaptation, and in due course other Sustainable Development Goals.

Expected Outcomes

The event aims to officially launch the Call for Proposals for IMCA's Adaptation Finance Window for Africa, catalysing interest from fund managers and investors while enhancing visibility among government stakeholders. It will underscore the power of Nordic collaboration in effectively leveraging blended finance and public-private partnerships to drive climate investment in emerging markets and developing economies.

Time and Location

Wednesday 12th of November 2025, from 11:30AM to 1:00PM, at the Africa Pavilion in the Blue Zone.

Targeted Audience

High-level representatives from Nordic Countries and other international stakeholders will be invited, including officials from governments, public institutions, philanthropies, pension funds, asset managers and relevant organisations.

Communications

Following the event, participating countries and organisations may release a joint statement on their official channels as well as on prominent social media platforms.

PROGRAMME

November 12th – 11:30AM to 1:00PM at the Africa Pavilion

11:30 – 11:40

Arrival of participants

11:40 – 11:50

Opening Remarks & Keynote Address

Master of Ceremony: Jens Nielsen, CEO of the World Climate Foundation

Keynote Speaker: Denmark – high-level speaker

11:50 – 12:10

Opening Dialogue: *Nordic Partnerships and the Stakes of Financing Adaptation in Africa*

Speakers:

- Iceland – high-level speaker
- Norway – high-level speaker
- Diana Janse, State Secretary to the Minister, Sweden

12:10 – 12:20

Call for Proposals AFWA

Speaker: Satu Santala, Managing Director of the Nordic Development Fund

12:20 – 12:50

Panel discussion and Q&A: *Accelerating Climate Finance for Emerging Markets: IMCA's Progress and the Path to Adaptation in Africa*

Moderator: Sashi Jayatileke, Senior Director of IMCA

Speakers:

- Dr. Cosmas Ochieng, Director of the Climate Change, Food Security and Natural Resources Division of UNECA (TBC)
- Jay Koh, Managing Director & Founder of The Lightsmith Group (TBC)
- Malena Rosman, Director of Portfolio Origination & Management, Nordic Development Fund

12:50 – 12:55

Closing Remarks: *IMCA Looking Forward...*

Speaker: Ole Thonke, Climate Ambassador & Undersecretary for Development Policy, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs