

**GISD Alliance Third Annual Meeting (virtual)
Tuesday, 19 October 2021, UN HQ New York
(11.45am to 12.45pm)**

**GISD Alliance Discussion with Member States
“Moving money behind the SDGs”**

Concept Note

The GISD Alliance, an initiative of the UN Secretary General, is committed to mobilize adequate resources from the private sector to create impact and scale up long-term investments in sustainable development. The Alliance also seeks to leverage insights from the private sector, as well as from the international financial and development community through strategic partnerships, to tailor-make solutions to recover better.

Two years since its establishment, the Alliance has made significant progress in advancing finance and investment for the SDGs. Notably, the Alliance delivered a definition of Sustainable Development Investing, crucial to avoid greenwashing. The GISD Alliance is also developing instruments to channel investments towards sustainable development, such as a best-in-class climate Exchange Traded Fund together with UNCDF and a blended finance fund for sustainable infrastructure. In collaboration with UNDP, the Alliance also launched the SDG Investor Platform, providing data, information and insights on investment opportunities with potential to contribute to the SDGs, including those presented at the SDG Investment Fair.

At the occasion of the 3rd GISD annual meeting, this discussion with Member States will be an opportunity for the GISD Alliance members to:

- ✚ Present progress on their key deliverables
- ✚ Lay out their plans for broader engagement with all stakeholders
- ✚ Share how the Alliance will expand its impact during the next phase of its work.

Member States representatives will have the opportunity to give feedback on the work of the Alliance and deliberate on avenues for further cooperation to maximize impact at the country level.

Agenda

Moderator:

- Ms Gillian Tett, Chair of Editorial Board and Editor-at-large, Financial Times

Keynote Address:

- Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, UN Deputy Secretary General (video message)

Presentation of GISD achievements by Co-Chairs:

- Ms. Leila Fourie, CEO Johannesburg Stock Exchange, GISD Alliance Co-Chair
- Mr. Oliver Bäte, CEO, Allianz SE, GISD Alliance Co-Chair

Lead remarks by GISD CEOs

- Mr. José Viñals, Group Chairman, Standard Chartered
- Ms. Miriem Bensalah Chaqroun, CEO and Executive Vice-President, Les Eaux Minérales d'Oulmès (TBC)

Discussion between GISD Alliance Members and Member States

Wrap-up by moderator

