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Tuesday, 17 October 2023, Hall 2, Room VI

9:30-9:45 | OPENING REMARKS

Description

Opening ceremony of the WAPPP Abu Dhabi PPP Forum 2023.

Issues to be addressed

- Bring global PPP ecosystem together / networking
- Hold a High level Dialogue on Public-Private Partnerships
- WAPPP Technical Assistance Facility project / joint work with UNCTAD
- Recognition of participants and event partners / sponsors

Panelists:

Mr. **Ziad-Alexandre Hayek**, President, WAPPP

Mr. **Richard Bolwijn**, Director, Investment Research Branch, UNCTAD

Mr. **Philippe Dessoy**, President of the Confederation of International Contractors Associations (CICA)

Mr. **Majed Salem Khalifa Rashed Alromaithi**, Executive Director, Strategy & Planning Department and Deputy Chairman, Investment Committee, Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA)

9:45-11:00 | HIGH LEVEL PPP DIALOGUE

Description:

Top decision takers discuss public-private partnership challenges and opportunities

Issues to be addressed

- State of PPP and challenges facing it in the speaker's country.
- Innovative or scalable solutions reviewed, considered, or implemented
- Structuring and implementing small-size PPP projects
- Increasing South-South cooperation and FDI

Panelists:

H.E. **Kholoud Saqqaf**, *Minister of Investment, Jordan*

Mr. **Narek Teryan**, *Deputy Minister of Economy, Republic of Armenia*

Mr. **Miguel Siliceo**, *Head of the Investment Unit at the Ministry of Finance, Mexico*

Mr. **Marco Llinás**, *Director of the Production, Productivity and Management Division at the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean*

Mr. **Jorge Arbache**, *Vice President of the Private Sector at the Development Bank of Latin America*

Moderator:

Mr. **Ziad-Alexandre Hayek**, *President of WAPPP*



11:00 - 12:00 | DEAL DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE & CASE STUDIES

Description

Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) have been used globally to enable governmental bodies in achieving their objectives, deliver their services, relieve the burden on their budgets, and shift their focus on oversight and regulation.

The practice of PPPs has been widely diverse subject to different laws, business practices and policies, yet the principles of Project Finance remain to be the core of its objective. COVID-19, as a global risk event, played a major part in transforming PPP practice to address higher management of risk, as it also pushed the countries towards serious investment in the health and medical sectors. Currently, PPPs in its best time ever due to common international focus on supporting the private sector to support states economic growth and human capacity development.

This session at the World Association of PPP Units & Professionals' Annual Forum discusses the experiences of investors and public funds regarding PPP practice and how to formulate a better partnership with the public sector.

Issues to be addressed

What are the essential requirements that the private sector needs from the public sector in order to participate (i.e., laws, expertise, transparency, commitment, etc.).

- Challenges in working together with the public sector in determining risk allocation and local policies.
- What are the red lines for the private sector when assessing its participation in a PPP project?
- G2G projects vs. PPPs: what is the view of the private sector on this, and its effects?

Panelists

Mr. **Philippe Dessoy**, Global Head of Business Development, BESIX Group

Mr. **Obaid Amrane**, CEO, Ithmar Capital & Chair, International Forum of Sovereign Wealth Funds

Mr. **Khalid Al Khatib**, Investment Director, Rakiza Fund, Sultanate of Oman

Mr. **Ahmed Al Hammadi**, Director of Financial Sustainability & Investment Department, Ministry of Energy & Infrastructure, United Arab Emirates

Moderator

Mr. **Nayef Alhaddad**, Manager of Research and Strategic Planning, Kuwait Authority for Partnership Projects (KAPP)

12:00 - 12:20 | SOCIAL SECTOR PPPs Part One

Fireside Chat with Karine Bachongy, IFC Global Head of Social Sector PPPs

Description

Why do PPPs have the potential to deliver social sector projects in an efficient and effective way?

Issues to be addressed

- What is special about the social sector?
- Role of PPPs in raising quality standards and levels of accessibility in the social sector services
- Key obstacles

Speakers & Moderators

Mr. **Nasser Massoud**, Chair, Social Sector PPP Forum

Ms. **Karine Bachongy**, IFC Global Head of Social Sector PPP Transaction Advisory Services

GROUP PICTURE BEFORE LUNCH BREAK

13:30 - 14:45 | LATEST IN HEALTHCARE PPPs

Description

Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) in the healthcare sector contribute to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 3 and Universal Health Coverage. PPPs in the healthcare sector bring value for money along with value for people and innovations. The purpose of the session is to inform the audiences about recent PPP developments in the healthcare sector and to discuss current trends, Value for Money assessments, discussion of various contractual models, innovations in healthcare PPPs, tender procedures and case studies.

Issues to be addressed

- New features in health PPPs and their financing (sustainability, VfM, VfP)
- How to ensure successful and affordable healthcare PPPs
- Technology as an enabler for healthcare PPP projects
- How can PPP help scaling UHC / SDG3?

Speakers

Dr. **Ibtesam AlBastaki**, Director, Investment and Public Private Partnership Department, Dubai Health Authority, UAE

Ms. **Karine Bachongy**, Global Social Infrastructure Lead, International Finance Corporation

Mr. **Nart Mamser**, General Manager, Altakassusi Alliance Medical

Mr. **Moustafa Fahour**, Chief Operating Officer, Plenary Middle East

Mr. **Michel Atallah**, Managing Director, Siemens Healthineers, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Moderator

Ms. Eng. **Natalia Korchakova-Heeb**, Chair of the Healthcare PPP Chapter, WAPPP & PPP-speaker of the German Health Alliance

15:00 - 16:15 | AFRICA PPP UNITS DISCUSSING THEIR PPP PLANS & PROJECTS

Description

This session is to facilitate a discussion on how to optimize infrastructure concessions and PPPs on the African continent, which frequently faces institutional limitations. WAPPP

with its global PPP professionals network can help bridge some of these gaps to make PPPs work more effectively in Africa.

Issues to be addressed

- Spotlight on UNECA pilot project with six PPP Units landscaping exercise (NAPs)
- Africa in perspective: strengthening institutional capacity and making PPPs work
- Challenges and opportunities
- Explain how UNCTAD supports

Speakers

Mr. **Jim Mugunga**, Executive Director, Uganda PPP Unit

Mr. **Dieudonné Yokono**, President, CARPA, PPP Unit Cameroon

Mr. **Robert Lisinge**, Director Private Sector Development and Finance Division, UN Economic Commission for Africa

Mr. **Johnson Kilangi**, CEO, Miundo Misingi Hub, Kenya

Mr. **Monga Mehlwana**, Senior Economic Officer, UN Economic Commission for Africa

Mr. **Dennis Gatera**, Head of the Transactions Division, PPP & Privatization, Rwanda Development Board

Moderator

Ms. **Eniye Ogbemor**, Member of the WAPPP Africa Chapter Leadership Committee



16:15 - 17:30 | THE CLIMATE IS RIGHT FOR RAIL PPPs

Description

Climate is impacting the planet in a big way and Railway appears to be a climate friendly mode of transportation with least carbon footprint. Green Hydrogen has added another dimension to railway with better chances of achieving net zero emissions. The public-private partnership format provides a viable alternative for such capital intensive options.

Issues to be addressed

- Identify and evaluate the effects associated with the potential impacts of climate change on railroads and railroad operators
- The weather and climate factors affecting railroads
- The need for development of partnerships among governmental, industry, academia, and the research community to study potential impacts on railway systems and work on mitigation measures

Speakers

Mr. **Philip Marquis**, Principal, Marquis Rail Group, Canada

Mr. **Mohamed Almahruqi**, Deputy CEO at Oman and Etihad Rail

Mr. **Abhay Mishra**, Chairman, Nacala Logistics, Mozambique

Moderator

Dr. **Naresh Bana**, Convener WAPPP Rail Chapter and Chair South Asia Chapter

Wednesday, 18 October 2023, Hall 2, Room VI

9:00 - 10:00 | GLOBAL COUNCIL OF PPP UNIT HEADS MEETING

Closed event for PPP Units (private, by invitation only)

Participants

Mr. **Elsevar Latifli**, Senior Research Fellow, The Economic Scientific Research Institute, Azerbaijan

Mr. **Dieudonné Yokono**, President, CARPA, Cameroon

Mr. **Marios Tannousis**, CEO, Invest Cyprus

Mr. **Atter Hannoura**, Director, PPP Unit, Egypt

Ms. **Laila Tashamneh**, Head of PPP Unit, Jordan

Mr. **Samat Sagyndykov**, Head of PPP Unit, Kazakhstan

Mr. **Nayef Al Haddad**, Manager, Research, Strategic Planning, Risk Management and Compliance at Kuwait Authority for Partnership Projects

Mr. **Sanzhar Bolotov**, Director, PPP Center of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan

Mr. **Miguel Siliceo**, Head of the Investment Unit, Ministry of Finance, Mexico

Mr. **Sushil Bhatta**, CEO Investment Board, Nepal

Mr. **Felix Rwang-Dung**, Director of Plateau State PPP Unit, Nigeria

Mr. **Dennis Gatera**, Head of the Transactions Division, PPP & Privatization, Rwanda Development Board

Mr. **Hani Alsaigh**, Vice President, Strategic Marketing & Knowledge Management, National Center for Privatization & PPP, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Mr. **Iqbal Hussain Khan**, CEO, PPP Unit Punjab, Pakistan

Mr. **Joseph Klohoun**, PPP Unit, Ministry of Economy, Finance and Privatization, Republic of Togo

Mr. **Jim Mugunga**, Executive Director, PPP Unit, Uganda

Mr. **Abduqodir Yoqubov**, Director of PPP Development, Uzbekistan

Ms. **Andiseya Phiri**, Director of the PPP Department, Lusaka, Zambia

Facilitator

Mr. **Ziad-Alexandre Hayek**, WAPPP President

10:00 - 11:00 | PRESENTATION OF THE FAST-INFRA SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE LABEL

Description

FAST Infra's FISl label and new asset class: Fast tracking private capital mobilization in sustainable infrastructure

The FAST-Infra Label, a ground-breaking initiative, serves as a universal labeling system, extending its reach worldwide. Its primary mission is to provide a standardized means of recognition and assessment for sustainable infrastructure ventures. In doing so, it aims to bolster the status of infrastructure as a robust and easily tradeable asset class, fostering widespread investment and growth.

Issues to be addressed

- The FAST-Infra Label is a consistent, globally applicable labeling system designed to identify and evaluate sustainable infrastructure projects
- Overarching objective of supporting infrastructure as a deep and liquid asset class

Speakers

Mr. **Atter Hannoura**, Director, PPP Unit, Egypt

Ms. **Morgane Huchet**, Senior Project Manager, Global Infrastructure Basel Foundation

Mr. **Henri Blas**, Chief Content Officer, Global Infrastructure Hub

Mr. **Jean-Christophe Barth**, WAPPP Executive Director

Moderator

Mr. **François Bergère**, CEO FAST-Infra Group

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11:15 - 12:45 | SOCIAL SECTOR PPPs PART 2

The Social Sector covers health, education, social housing, elderly care, social amenities, public buildings, public leisure facilities and so on. As such, it covers several SDGs and overalls with others.

Social Sector PPPs have several commonalities but equally sub-sectors have their own differences. In this session we will discuss common issues and then focus on specific issues

Facilitator

Mr. **Nasser Massoud**, Chair WAPPP Social Sector PPPs Chapter

PANEL 1: INFRASTRUCTURE PPPs IN THE SOCIAL SECTOR - CASE STUDIES FOR CONSIDERATION WHEN DEVELOPING A PPP PIPELINE

Description

The MENA region has witnessed a big surge of social sector PPPs with several of them closing and others in the pipeline. This panel will discuss case studies emanating from the experiences so far, the pipelines contemplated for the sector and lessons learnt so far for incorporating in the configuration of future projects.

Issues to be addressed

- Current pipeline and past accomplishments
- Case studies
- Key success factors

Speakers

Dr. **Muhammed Anees**, General Manager for Wave 1 PPP Schools SPV, Vision Invest

Mr. **Mos'ab Al Burih**, Tatweer Building Company, Saudi Arabia

Mr. **Ani Churiwala**, Chief Development Officer, Lamar Holding

Mr. **Marc Katchouni**, Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO)

Mr. **Nicolass De Koning**, Head of PPP Bids and Asset Management, BESIX

Moderator

Mr. **Ismail Hassainen**, PPP Advisor at WSP

PANEL 2: WHICH PPP MODEL WORKS BEST IN THE SOCIAL SECTOR - INFRASTRUCTURE PPP OR INTEGRATED PPP?

Description

Infrastructure PPPs have been used extensively for delivering social sector infrastructure, achieving a more sustainable model where the private partner takes responsibility for the design, construction, maintenance as well as some non-core services, and is remunerated on the basis of availability. There have been fewer instances of incorporating core services with the above, creating an Integrated PPP. This panel will discuss the merits of the two models

Issues to be addressed

- What is special about the social sector?
- Role of PPPs in raising quality standards and levels of accessibility in the social sector services
- Key obstacles

Speakers

Ms. **Ameera Al Manaseer**, Ministry of Energy & Infrastructure, UAE

Mr. **Moustafa Fahour**, COO, Plenary Group

Mr. **Roberto Reale**, Head of Health Infrastructure - Bouygues Bâtiment International

Mr. **Karim Eissa**, Regional Director, Alghanim International

Moderator

Mr. **Abraham Akkawi**, Advisor to the PPP Unit, Ministry of Finance, Sultanate Oman

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13:45 - 15:00 | SOCIAL SECTOR PPPs PART 3

13:45 - 14:20 | PANEL 3: PRESENTATION BY IFC - CAN PPPs BE USED FOR DEVELOPING AFFORDABLE AND SOCIAL HOUSING?

Description

In this session, Ms Karine Bachongy will give examples and case studies of using PPPs to deliver social and affordable housing in various countries.

Issues to be addressed

- Can PPPs adapt to the housing sector?
- Rationale for governments
- Challenges, successes and failures

Speakers

Mr. **Atter Hannoura**, Director, PPP Unit, Egypt

Mr. **Nasser Massoud**, Chair, Social Sector PPP Forum

Presenter & Moderator

Ms. **Karine Bachongy**, IFC

14:20 - 15:00 | PANEL 4: INTEGRATED AND SERVICE-BASED PPPs IN THE SOCIAL SECTOR. THE ROUTE TO BRINGING OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCIES?

Description

Efficiencies in delivering social sector services lies in streamlining both design and operations. This panel will explore how these can be used effectively in configuring integrated PPPs in the social sector.

Issues to be addressed

- What makes integrated and service-based PPPs in the social sector appealing?
- Issues with defining requirements in service-based PPPs
- Resistance to implementing PPPs integrated with services

Speakers

Ms **Karine Bachongy**, Global Head of Social Sector PPP Transaction Advisory

Mr. **Vikram Vuppala**, Founder & CEO NephroPlus

Mr. **Ahmed Al Khonji**, Adviser to the Minister of Health of Oman

Dr. **Emad El Dukair**, Senior Adviser to the Board, InterHealth Canada

Dr. **Mohamed El Sahili**, Medland Health Services, Zambia

Moderator

Mr. **Nasser Massoud**, Chair WAPPP Social Sector PPPs Chapter



15.00 - 16.00 | THE FUTURE OF AIR TRAVEL

Description

Decarbonizing the world of transport has become a priority, with a target of carbon-neutral transport by 2050. Urban mobility has already largely begun its evolution not only on the road but also in the air with the advent of eVTOLs flying machines powered by electric motors, making them much quieter and less polluting than traditional combustion aircraft. This electrification of propulsion also enables greater energy efficiency, reducing operational costs and carbon footprint.

Infrastructure projects linked to this innovative concept of urban air mobility (Vertiports) are beginning to be set up in urban, airport or other settings, for few of them in the context of network multi-vertiports.

This session will aim at discussing the future of urban air mobility and the potential scheme for financing the urban air mobility networks including potential Public Private Partnership schemes.

Issues to be addressed

- What are the advantages of Urban Air Mobility?
- What is the size and situation of the Urban Air Mobility market?
- What are the constraints on the development of vertiports and eVTOLS?
- How can urban air mobility networks be developed?

- What schemes and conditions are required for financing public-private partnerships?

Speakers

Mr. **Curtis Grad**, CEO Modalis Airports & Vertiports

Mr. **Pedro Aguas**, Principal AT Kearney Dubai - in charge of Air Advanced Mobility

Mr. **Ersin Inankul**, Head of Aviation Digital, Jacobs

Moderator

Ms. **Jinane Ghosh**, WAPPP Executive Committee

16:00 - 16:45 | SOUTH ASIA PPP UNITS DISCUSS THEIR PPP PLANS & PROJECTS

Description

PPP Projects in the South Asia Region are witnessing sizable growth in PPP projects and frequently face challenges in terms of regulation inadequacy, contract enforcement, land acquisition, Insurance and political issues.

Issues to be addressed:

- Land acquisition continues to delay the projects in South Asia .
- MDBs have repeatedly flagged inadequacy of regulation and insurance paradigm for the projects requesting funding.
- Innovations including technological innovative practices in financing, construction and operations are visible.

Speakers

Mr. **Sushil Bhatta**, CEO, Investment Board Nepal

Mr. **Iqbal Hussain Khan**, CEO, PPP Unit Punjab, Pakistan

Mr. **A. M. Al-Amin**, Individual PPP Specialist, Bangladesh

Moderator

Dr. **Naresh Bana**, Chair WAPPP South Asia Chapter

16:45 - 18:00 | ARE PPPs A GAME CHANGER FOR ENERGY TRANSITION?

Description

How can PPPs contribute to the Energy transition, particularly in the transport sector?

Issues to be addressed

- Can hydrogen be leveraged through PPPs?
- Airports and the challenge of Energy transition
- Practical example: Argentina
- Circular economy for Energy transition through waste water

Speakers

Mr. **Nicolas Claude**, CEO Amman International Airport

Mr. **Tim Clarke**, CEO Warsan Waste management Co.

Mr. **Mohammed Atif**, Director, DNV

Ms. **Amanda Loeffen**, CEO Human Rights 2 Water

Mr. **Majid Ideisan Abu-Abdoun**, Dept. of Financial Sustainability and Investment, Ministry of Energy and Investment, United Arab Emirates

Moderator

Mr. **Thibaut Mourgues**, WAPPP Executive Committee

Thursday, 19 October 2023, Hall 7, Room XVII

9:00 - 10:00 | PPPs AS A CATALYST FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Description

Public-Private Partnerships as a catalyst of Economic Development

Issues to be addressed

- Economic Development uses PPP in a variety of circumstances to attract and retain/grow companies, plus nurture entrepreneurship.
- The most common form is a twist on traditional PPPs, wherein the public sector invests first, then is repaid by new revenues due to increased economic activity via investment and jobs.

Speakers

Mr. **Nathan Ohle**, CEO International Economic Development Council, Washington D.C.

Mr. **Aijaz Ahmad**, Practice Manager (acting) and Lead PPP Specialist, Infrastructure Finance, PPPs and Guarantees Department, World Bank

Mr. **Henri Blas**, Chief Content Officer, Global Infrastructure Hub

Moderator

Mr. **David Dodd**, CEO ISRC, & Chair WAPPP Resilience Chapter

10:15 - 11:30 | WATER SECTOR PPPs : HOW PPPs ARE ENSURING ACCESS TO WATER & SANITATION

Description

Clean water is essential for life, for industry, for agriculture and for energy. Our economies and societies simply cannot function without it. However, despite access to water and sanitation being human rights, 2.2 billion people still lack access to safe water and 1.5 billion still lack basic sanitation services.

Various forms of Public-Private-Partnerships (PPPs) have been used for decades to improve access to water and wastewater services in all global regions. Today, both developing and developed countries opt for PPPs to improve utility performance and build ground-breaking new assets.

Modern water/wastewater PPPs are delivering cross-sector solutions that are supporting both climate change mitigation and adaptation, including water reuse for agriculture and creating energy from wastewater treatment.

PPPs have proved to be game changers for governments and authorities on water and sanitation, but with the world so 'off track' in terms of the UN SDG6 goals, more finance for PPPs is urgently needed.

This session at the World Association of PPP Units & Professionals' Annual Forum showcases some of the latest projects and demonstrates to investors the opportunities and challenges of PPP finance

Issues to be addressed

- Financing opportunities for PPPs across sectors with water/energy/food
- How can they work and what can investors put their money into?
- What returns/expectations? Cashflow and scale?

Speakers

Mr. **Alex Similabwi**, Executive Director of the Global Water Partnership, Africa

Mr. **Hassan F. Choudhry**, CFO, Umm Al Hayman for Wastewater Treatment Company

Mr. **Muhammad Kaleem Sindhu**, Partner, IConsult, Pakistan

Mr. **Tim Clarke**, CEO Warsaw Waste Management Company

Moderator

Ms. **Amanda Loeffen**, Chair Water Chapter, CEO Human Right 2 Water

11:45 - 12:00 | FIRESIDE CHAT (TBC)

12:00 - 13:15 | MENA REGION PPP UNITS DISCUSS THEIR PPP PLANS & PROJECTS

Description

Recently, the Middle East and North Africa region has been the focus of growing potential for business and investment. Major projects announcements from top leading countries in the region has drawn on global attention and appetite of top market PPP players either in finance, investment or development.

With the recent changes and development in laws, policies and regulations towards foreign investment, we are witnessing an emerging market set steady and shifted towards supporting non-oil products, revenues and services.

This session at the World Association of PPP Units & Professionals' Annual Forum hosts the representatives of MENA PPP units and experts to hear from them regarding upcoming projects, their needs as well as matters to be addressed to the private sector.

Issues to be addressed

- Demonstration of upcoming and future PPP opportunities in the MENA region.
- Priorities and objectives of the public sector in doing PPPs.
- Is traditional procurement or hybrid models still an option for the states?
- Expectations from the private sector and lessons learnt from recent PPP projects.

Speakers

Mr. **Atter Hannoura**, Director, PPP Unit, Egypt

Dr. **Eyüp Vural Aydin**, Istanbul Center of PPP Excellence, Turkey

Ms. **Laila Tashamneh**, Jordan PPP unit, Jordan

Mr. **Nayef Al Haddad**, Kuwait PPP Authority

Mr. **Hani Alsaigh**, Vice President, Strategic Marketing & Knowledge Management, National Center for Privatization & PPP, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Mr. **Mahmood Al Aweini**, Program Director, Estidamah, Oman

Mr. **Ahmed Al Hammadi**, Director of Financial Sustainability and Investment Department, Ministry of Energy & Infrastructure, United Arab Emirates

Moderator

Mr. **Cédric DAOU**, Senior Managing Partner, FTI Consulting

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14:00 - 15:15 | CENTRAL ASIA PPP UNITS DISCUSS THEIR PPP PLANS & PROJECTS

Description

Heads of PPP Units from Central Asia discuss the latest developments and emerging trends in PPP within their nations.

Issues to be addressed

- Current project pipelines and past accomplishments
- Case studies
- Challenges and opportunities facing PPPs
- Evolution of PPP frameworks and legislative updates

Speakers

Mr. **Abduqodir Yoqubov**, Director of PPP Development, Uzbekistan

Mr. **Samat Sagyndykov**, Head of PPP Kazakhstan PPP Unit

Mr. **Almaz Kusainov**, Deputy Head of Investment Policy Department, Ministry of Economy, Kazakhstan

Mr. **Sanzhar Bolotov**, Director, PPP Center of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan

Mr. **Elsevar Latifli**, Senior Research Fellow, The Economic Scientific Research Institute,

Azerbaijan

Moderator

Dr. **Innokenty Ivanov**, Partner Freshfields, Bruckhaus Deringer

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15:30 - 16:45 | INNOVATIONS IN PPP FINANCING

Description

Heightened financial market volatility, macroeconomic pressures, and disrupted supply chains are some of the challenges facing the financing of infrastructure projects globally. At the same time, the volume of financing required has never been greater with governments managing multiple competing priorities such as climate change mitigation and adaptation, providing for increasing urbanization and demographic changes, upgrading of aging infrastructure, and economic transformation.

This session will convene both PPP practitioners and providers of capital to explore how financial solutions for PPPs are evolving and what innovations are needed to meet the challenges and priorities of today's world and the future, with less reliance on traditional financing strategies. Meeting in the UAE, amid a region where PPP is thriving, the session will illustrate success stories and reveal common insights that can be applied in markets across the world.

Issues to be addressed

- Solutions available to address the current challenges facing the financing of PPP projects
- Examples of successful innovations that can/ could unlock more capital for PPP projects
- How financing can contribute to the sustainability objectives of PPP projects
- PPP financing frameworks and tools that can be utilized across distinct regional markets

Speakers

Mr. **Kunal Singh**, General Manager, International Banking Division, Commercial Bank of Kuwait

Dr. **Dawid Bastiat-Jarosz**, Co-Director Graduate Institute, SwisSOX

Ms. **Kristalina Lera**, Vice President, Structured Finance ME, Turkey & CCA,
Natixis Corporate & Investment Banking

Mr. **Justo Alejandro Algaba**, Head of Infrastructure Finance, MENAT, HSBC

Mr. **James Cook**, Executive Director & Head of Advisory, Tribe Infrastructure Group

Moderator

Mr. **Christopher Nixon**, Co-Chair WAPPP Finance Chapter

Mr. **Johnson Kilangi**, Co-Chair WAPPP Finance Chapter

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17:00 - 17:30 | CLOSING OF WAPPP ABU DHABI PPP FORUM

Description

- Acknowledgements
- Announcement of Strategic Partners
- Welcoming of new PPP Units
- Group Picture
- Next Events Announcements

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