

*Our analysts work around the clock to compile a comprehensive list of all the events and conferences in the development sector that you will not find anywhere else. Below are some of the most noteworthy events in the sector.*

# Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER 2018



## 7th Africa Water Week

The seventh edition of the Africa Water Week (AWW-7) is dedicated to the theme, 'Toward Achieving Water Security and Safely Managed Sanitation for Africa'.

Over 1,000 participants will gather to discuss and collectively seek solutions to Africa's water resources and sanitation challenges.

Date and location: **29 October - 2 November 2018** | Libreville, Estuaire, Gabon

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/Mw6Z3d>



## 4th International Off-grid Renewable Energy Conference

Organized by the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), the International Off-grid Renewable Energy Conference and Exhibition (IOREC) aims to support the exchange of experience and sharing of best practices on design and implementation of enabling policies, tailored financing schemes, innovative business models and technology applications for stand-alone and mini-grid systems.

Date and location: **31 October - 1 November 2018** | Singapore, Singapore

Registration information: <http://iorec.irena.org/>



## Asia Clean Energy Summit and Singapore International Energy Week

The Asia Clean Energy Summit (ACES) is a regional platform focusing on clean energy technology, policy and finance supported by leading government agencies, research institutes and industry in Singapore. It provides a forum for regional thought leaders from the public and private sector to collaborate on critical issues and opportunities in harnessing clean energy for the future.

Date and location: **31 October - 2 November 2018** | Singapore, Singapore

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/E6zosh>



## Green Economy Congress

The second Green Economy Congress will emphasize growing circular economy potential in the fields of energy, agriculture and waste management. The first day is organized by the Green European Foundation with the support of Networked Serbia and with the financial support of the European Parliament to the Green European Foundation. The second and third days are organized by Networked and Group for analysis and policy-making with support of numerous partners.

Date and location: **1-3 November 2018** | Belgrade, Serbia

Registration information: <https://www.greeneconomycongress.com>



## Joint Conference on Forests and Water 2018

This joint meeting will help link dynamic developments in Latin American forests to a global community studying environmental change, forests, and water. It will provide a forum for experts on forest hydrology, watershed ecosystem management, ecohydrology, climate, and environmental change.

Date and location: **5-9 November 2018** | Valdivia, Los Lagos, Chile

Registration information: <http://forestsandwater2018.cl/>



## Blockchain for Development: The Future Now

The Blockchain for Development Forum is a one-day event that brings together the technology implementers, innovators and influencers in Blockchain and DLT, alongside with delegates from MDBs and other international organizations, senior decision makers and stakeholders, to discuss the potential of this industry-changing technology.

Date and location: **7 November 2018** | Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/iLzDRp>



## Our Future Water Berlin Event

Organized by Our Future Water, the event will address achieving water security through: bridging communities – water specialists, points of view, and generations; generating and disseminating knowledge through fact-based analysis; and advocating for water education at all levels to build a community of water leaders that can see and solve water challenges from various vantage points.

Date and location: **7 November 2018** | Berlin, Germany

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/tcKjtt>



## ADB Knowledge Forum 2018

The 2018 ADB Knowledge Forum will bring together knowledge practitioners and leads from international financial institutions and other multilateral organizations, internal and external partners, and ADB staff to learn and discuss knowledge management practices, tools, application of knowledge management in development institutions, among others, through interactive discussions, knowledge sharing, training, and networking.

Date and location: **6 - 9 November 2018** | Manila, Philippines

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/YYyoAm>



## Barcelona Resilience Week

Barcelona Resilience Week aims to connect cities, while providing the opportunity to learn about ground breaking resilience topics. The Week will offer an opportunity to present, share and exchange experiences and best practices, and to gain practical knowledge.

Date and location: **11-16 November 2018** | Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/5yUuqF>



## Ninth International Forum on Energy for Sustainable Development

The Ninth International Forum on Energy for Sustainable Development seeks to provide policymakers and experts from various parts of the energy sector with an opportunity to reflect on the implications of the fast-paced energy transition, review the activities to date and make further progress towards meeting the SDGs.

Date and location: **12-15 November 2018** | Kiev, Ukraine

Registration information: <https://energyforum.org.ua/>

## SMARTCITY EXPO WORLD CONGRESS

## Smart City Expo World Congress 2018

The upcoming Smart City Expo World Congress is the leading international event for the smart urban solutions industry, the key meeting point for experts and leaders of the world's most innovative cities, companies, research centers and international organizations.

Date and location: **13-15 November 2018** | Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain

Registration information: <http://www.smartcityexpo.com/>



## Tackling global challenges together: economic resilience, climate action and innovation

The conference will showcase the impact that donor partnerships are having on the ground and provide a forum for discussion around key topical areas such as economic resilience, climate action and innovation.

Date and location: **14 November 2018** | Luxembourg, Luxembourg

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/DYK4a2>



## AidEx Exhibition & Conference

AidEx was created to help the international aid and development community engage the private sector in a neutral setting, drive innovation and support the ever-growing need for emergency aid and development programmes.

Date and location: **14-15 November 2018** | Brussels, Belgium

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/EZDwCP>



## FT Climate Finance Asia Summit

The inaugural FT Climate Finance Asia Summit brings together leading Asia companies, investors and financiers to explore the developing trends and emerging opportunities in Asia's low-carbon transition - from the rise of sustainable investment in Asia to challenges of translating Nationally Determined Commitments (NDCs) into projects and the growth of green bonds as an important new source of finance for companies across the region.

Date and location: **21 November 2018** | Hong Kong, Asia

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/Tdzywf>



## 6th Global Biodiversity Summit of Cities and Subnational Governments

The Summit is expected to accelerate and further enable the mobilization of local and subnational governments to contribute to the achievement of the global Aichi Biodiversity Targets, giving particular attention to the challenges of urbanization in the African region.

Date and location: **23-24 November 2018** | Sharm el-Sheikh, South Sinai, Egypt

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/kJgCbN>



## Asia-Pacific Day for the Ocean

The event will bring together member States, UN agencies, civil society, businesses and other ocean stakeholders to follow up on voluntary commitments for implementation of SDG 14 (life below water), build partnerships and engage in concerted regional action for a healthy ocean.

Date and location: **20 November 2018** | Bangkok (Krung Thep), Thailand

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/6ymMrd>



## 2018 European Forum on DRR

Representatives of the European countries, stakeholder groups and partners will gather in Italy, 21-23 November 2018, for the European Forum on Disaster Risk Reduction (EFDRR).

Date and location: **21-23 November 2018** | Rome, Lazio, Italy

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/DcnmdU>



## Africa Day 2018

The EIB's Africa Day was created to explore the continent's many challenges and discuss ways to tap into its huge potential. The event serves as a platform for debate in areas such as private sector development, finance for small businesses, jobs for youth and women, agriculture, innovation and digitalisation.

Date and location: **22 November 2018** | Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/wbC6zy>



## Sustainable Blue Economy Conference

Participants will address issues related to how to build a blue economy that will: harnesses the potential of our oceans, seas, lakes and rivers to improve the lives of all, particularly people in developing states, women, youth and Indigenous peoples; and leverage the latest innovations, scientific advances and best practices to build prosperity while conserving our waters for future generations.

Date and location: **26-28 November 2018** | Nairobi, Kenya

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/euV1TY>



## Climate Finance Day

Finance for Tomorrow, an initiative of Paris EUROPLACE on green and sustainable finance, will convene its fourth Climate Finance Day on 26 November 2018, to mobilize the financial sector to deliver a sustainable financial system for the SDGs and Paris Agreement on climate change.

Date and location: **26 November 2018** | Paris, Ile-De-France, France

Registration information: <http://www.climatefinanceday.com/>



## Global Science, Technology and Innovation Conference (G-STIC) 2018

G-STIC aims to accelerate the development, dissemination, and deployment of technology innovations that enable the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Date and location: **28-30 November 2018** | Brussels, Belgium

Registration information: <https://2018.gstic.org/>



## Conference on 'Investment, Technological Transformation and Skills'

The two-day event will provide an opportunity for leading academics, policy makers and practitioners to share their views and understandings on investment finance and competitiveness, while raising awareness of the challenges posed by technological transformation and the need to adapt workforce skills.

Date and location: **28 November 2018 - 29 November 2018** | EIB headquarters Luxembourg

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/VctBNw>



## World Forum on Urban Forests

The aim of this first Forum is to highlight positive examples of planning, design and management approaches of cities with diverse cultures, forms, structures and histories, that have used urban forestry and green infrastructure to develop economic and environmental services and to strengthen social cohesion and public involvement.

Date and location: **28 November - 1 December 2018** | Mantova, Lombardia, Italy

Registration information: <https://www.wfuf2018.com/>

## DECEMBER 2018



## Water Security and Climate Change Conference

WSCC 2018 will bring together researchers, professionals, practitioners, politicians, industry, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other stakeholders to advance discussions towards water secure societies. Special attention will be given to the current discourse on water security and related SDGs.

Date and location: **3-7 December 2018** | Nairobi, Kenya

Registration information: <http://www.watersecurity.info/>



## EIB Investment Conference

The EIB will present the results of its Investment Survey, followed by a panel discussion with representatives from the government, the private and the corporate sectors. The discussion amongst participants and speakers will focus on investment dynamics in Bulgaria, the allocation of capital, whether corporate investment needs are addressed efficiently and what incentives and obstacles investors in Bulgaria face.

Date and location: **7 December 2018** | Sofia, Bulgaria

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/KB2Uvk>



## Sustainable Innovation Forum 2018

The ninth annual Sustainable Innovation Forum 2018 will convene on the sidelines of the 24th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 24) to the UNFCCC, bringing together over 600 delegates engaged with fast-tracking the global green economy.

Date and location: **9-10 December 2018** | Katowice, Slaskie, Poland

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/XVde9Z>



## International Symposium on Understanding the Double Burden of Malnutrition for Effective Interventions

The objective of this meeting is to provide a forum for estimating and further exploring the magnitude of the DBM, sharing evidence on biological pathways through which early nutrition influences overweight, obesity and NCDs, identifying knowledge gaps and research needs, reviewing efforts that have been undertaken so far to create nutrition enabling environments and discussing considerations for the design and contextualisation of relevant double-duty actions and policies.

Date and location: **10-13 December 2018** | Vienna, Austria

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/YoxzB>



## Intergovernmental Conference on the Global Compact for Migration

The Conference will include eight consecutive plenary meetings and two dialogues, held in parallel with the plenary meetings. The dialogues will be interactive and multi-stakeholder, and will seek to “exemplify ways and means to support the implementation of the Global Compact.”

The topics will be: ‘Promoting action on the commitments of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration’; and ‘Partnerships and innovative initiatives for the way forward’.

Date and location: **10-11 December 2018** | Marrakesh, Marrakech, Morocco

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/WhMKK6>



## Fintech, Social Finance, and Financial Stability

The conference aims to stimulate research ideas among academic researchers and policy makers around the world. In particular, it will provide a framework for future analysis and monitoring to ensure a strong, sustainable, and resilient financial system as innovations in financial services evolve.

Date and location: **11 - 13 December 2018** | Shenzhen, People's Republic of China

Registration information: <https://goo.gl/qEdhAk>



# The Global Humanitarian & Development Aid Event

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## Date and location

14-15 November 2018 | Brussels, Belgium

## Registration information

<https://www.aid-expo.com/brussels-event>

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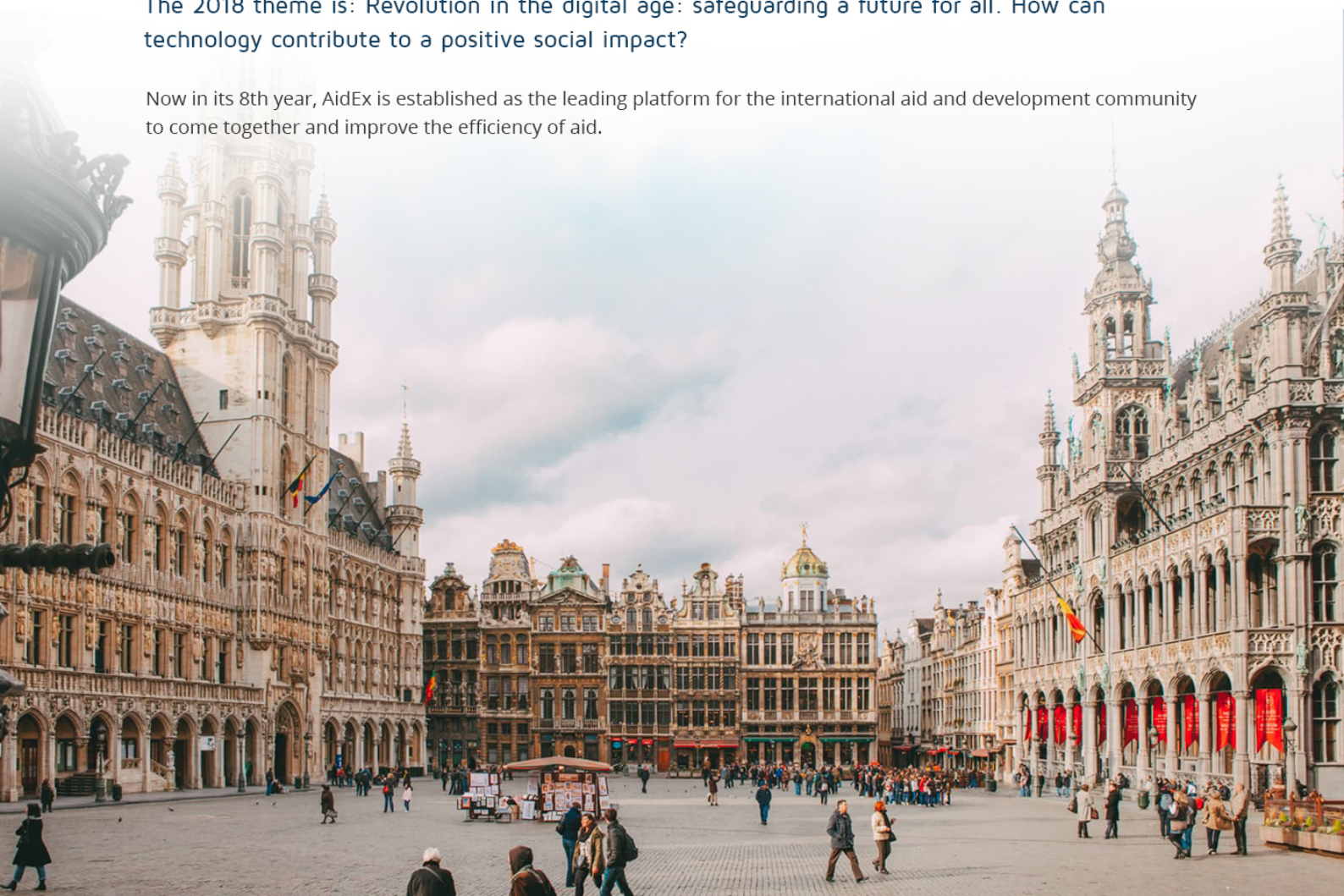
AidEx is a unique, world-renowned event that works hard to genuinely improve the situation on the ground. From major NGOs and global policymakers through to innovative suppliers of specialist products, AidEx facilitates relationships that would be otherwise unachievable.

The two-day event encompasses a conference, exhibition, meeting areas, awards, and workshops. Its fundamental aim is to engage the sector at every level and provide a forum for aid & development professionals to meet, source, supply and learn.

Each year the AidEx Steering Committee discuss a topic that the event should focus on to make sure it remains current and delivers what our visitors and suppliers need. Past conference themes have included Localisation, Sustainable Development, Innovation, and Collaboration.

The 2018 theme is: Revolution in the digital age: safeguarding a future for all. How can technology contribute to a positive social impact?

Now in its 8th year, AidEx is established as the leading platform for the international aid and development community to come together and improve the efficiency of aid.





# Blockchain for Development: The Future Now



## Date and location

7 November 2018 | Cluj-Napoca, Romania

## Registration information

[events.developmentaid.org](https://events.developmentaid.org)

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Meet and share your experience with fellow professionals engaged in harnessing the potential of Blockchain for international development at the first Blockchain for Development Forum to unfold in Southeastern Europe.

The Blockchain for Development Forum will attempt to cut through the hype and evaluate the potential of this technology for everything from remittances to supply chain management, voting practices, smart contracts, land titling, educational credentialing, health record storage and more.

This one-day event is designed to bring together the technology implementers, innovators and influencers in Blockchain, alongside delegates from Multilateral Development Banks and other international organizations, senior decision makers and stakeholders.

Among key topics to be discussed are the Fourth Industrial Revolution, IoT, Smart Contracts, Decentralized Data, Social Credits, Self-Sovereign Identity and Aid Transparency.

The Blockchain for Development Forum is organized with the support of our local partner, ARIES Transylvania.



ARIES Transylvania is one of the largest and most influential organizations in the ICT industry in Southeastern Europe. It is actively involved in the development of this sector in the region while also cooperating with the Romanian Government in designing and implementing regional IT policies.

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