

*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

OCTOBER 2023



## Regional Forum on Strengthening the Enabling Environment for Disaster and Pandemic Risk Financing: Options for Enhancing Financial Resilience

Energy transition is critical to realizing accessible and sustainable energy for all by 2030, as called for by Sustainable Development Goal 7, to implement Nationally Determined Contributions, and promote net zero carbon emissions to fight climate change. Yet, achieving these climate objectives is highly challenging for developing Asia. This hybrid ADBI session will explore energy transition, to take place as a part of the Applied Energy Symposium on Low Carbon Cities & Urban Energy Systems.

Date and location: **2 October 2023** | Istanbul, Türkiye

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/8mllT>



**United Nations**

## Forum of Mayors 2023

The Forum of Mayors brings together city leaders from across the UNECE region and beyond to address the key challenges of our time. In the third Forum of Mayors, under the theme "Urban Regeneration Towards 2030", mayors will discuss their cities' urban regeneration projects to achieve more inclusive, resilient, and sustainable urban development.

Date and location: **02 - 03 October 2023** | Geneva, Switzerland

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/byRuN>



## Adaptation Futures Conference 2023

The Adaptation Futures 2023 conference aims to learn from Indigenous, local knowledge and voices in climate change adaptation research, policies, practices and actions around the world, accelerate the adoption of transformative adaptation for long-term resilience, bring marginalised voices, especially from the Global South, to the forefront in pursuit of climate justice, equity, diversity and inclusion and accelerate momentum towards the Global Goal on Adaptation and the Global Stocktake and build on action to implement effective adaptation.

Date and location: **2 - 6 October 2023** | Montreal, Canada (Hybrid)

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/hT4Sf>



## International Weather and Climate Forum (IWCF) 2023

The 2023 edition will address the issues of sharing scientific knowledge, transforming the economic system and the role of the media in the climate crisis.

Date and location: 6 October 2023 | Paris, France

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/8N5iG>

## From Research to Impact: Towards Just and Resilient Agri-Food Systems

Inscribed in the tradition of the annual CGIAR GENDER conferences, the international conference 'From research to impact: Towards just and resilient agri-food systems' will address the gender and social inequalities at the heart of food systems. This in-person conference will take place in New Delhi, India. It is co-hosted by the CGIAR GENDER Impact Platform and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).

Date and location: 8 - 12 October 2023 | New Delhi, India

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/zANwf>



## MENA Climate Week

In 2023, the MENA (Middle East and North Africa) Climate Week will be hosted by the government of Saudi Arabia in Riyadh.

Date and location: 9 - 12 October 2023 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/i9fj0>



## Climate-Smart Agriculture: Adoption, Impacts, and Implications for Sustainable Development

The conference will present and discuss original, unpublished papers that enrich our understanding of the associations between climate-smart agriculture and sustainable agricultural development. It will also provide insights for policy makers to design appropriate policy instruments to develop agricultural practices and technologies and promote them to sustainably enhance the farm sector's resilience to climate change and increase productivity.

Date and location: 10 - 11 October 2023 | Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/AsPQu>

## World Health Summit 2023

The World Health Summit is a unique international strategic forum for global health. Held annually in Berlin, it brings together stakeholders from politics, science, the private sector, and civil society from around the world to set the agenda for a healthier future by inspiring innovative solutions for better health and well-being for all.

Date and location: 15 - 17 October 2023 | Berlin, Germany

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/55g6v>



## Climate Week 2022: 2nd World Conference on Climate Change & Sustainability

The 2nd World Conference on Climate Change & Sustainability (Climate Week 2023) is the annual gathering of climate leaders from the academic, business, public and nonprofit sectors, runs with this year's theme: "Advancing Nature and Positive Solutions for Net Zero and Sustainable Future".

Date and location: 16 - 18 October 2023 | Rome, Italy

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/ScRDe>



## 10th ADB International Skills Forum: A New Era of Digitalized and Climate Resilient Human and Social Development

The Forum will span a wide range of topics relating to education and skills development such as model schools, effective teacher professional development, student learning assessment, skills for fourth industrial revolution jobs and green transition.

Date and location: 17 - 19 October 2023 | Manila, Philippines

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/btITl>



## Micronutrient Forum 6th Global Conference

The XVIII World Water Congress will be held on the theme, 'Water for All: Harmony between Humans and Nature'. The event aims to promote coordination and balance between the water needs of humans and nature.

Date and location: 16 - 20 October 2023 | The Hague, Netherlands | Online

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/qttee>



## Engaging with USAID - UK Partners Day

Join us for BEI's Series of events engaging with USAID. We are delighted to be joined for a one-day event by 4 senior representatives from USAID as well as welcoming back Mike Shanley from Konektid International.

Date and location: 23 October 2023 | London, United Kingdom

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/b7eUJ>



## Latin America and Caribbean Climate Week

In 2023, the Latin American and Caribbean Regional Climate Week (LACCW 2023) will be hosted by the Government of Panama in Panama City from 23 to 27 October.

Date and location: 23 - 27 October 2023 | Panama City, Panama

Registration information: <https://www.developmentaid.org/link/1PP6G>



# 11th Business Opportunities Fair 2023



ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

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Program Link:

<https://www.developmentaid.org/link/BOF2023>

## Date and location

4 - 5 October 2023 | ADB Headquarters,  
Manila, Philippines

## Description

During the pandemic in 2020-2022, ADB's Procurement, Portfolio and Financial Management Department (PPFD) transitioned its business opportunities outreach initiatives from in-person to virtual format. In 2023, ADB will conduct its first in-person Business Opportunities Fair (BOF) after the pandemic.

## Objectives

During the event, participants will have the opportunity to:

- meet with ADB staff in procurement, consulting, project management, and related operations.
- meet with ADB sector specialists.
- network with other consulting firms and suppliers from donor and developing member countries.
- hear presentations on how to qualify for ADB-financed contracts.
- discover what business opportunities are available and where.

At the end of the event, participants will have:

- discovered the advantages of ADB-financed contracts.
- received an inside look at ADB's policies and procedures for the procurement of goods and works, the recruitment of consultants, and the engagement of NGOs and civil society organizations.
- learned how to locate business opportunities.
- learned the best ways to prepare responsive bids and proposals.
- received first-hand information on contracting opportunities by sector currently available under ongoing ADB-financed projects, and upcoming ADB pipeline projects.
- explored areas of cooperation with other BOF participants.

An aerial photograph of a city skyline at sunset, with numerous skyscrapers and buildings illuminated by the warm light of the setting sun. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue.

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# Engaging with USAID - UK Partners Day


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Date and location  
23 October 2023 | 23 Grafton Street, W1S 4EY, London

Program Link:  
<https://www.developmentaid.org/link/uTuv4>

Join us for BEI's Series of events engaging with USAID. We are delighted to be joined for a one-day event by 4 senior representatives from USAID as well as welcoming back Mike Shanley from Konektid International.

Our speakers will run 2 panel discussion in the morning followed by afternoon break-out sessions and 1-1 sessions which can be booked by members individually with each of the speakers.

## AGENDA

### 9:00 – 9.30: Arrival and networking

#### Session 1: 10:00 - 11:30

**Topic:** Overview of USAID's Localization Agenda

**Speakers:** Paul Burford (Deputy Director, Local, Faith and Transformative Partnerships Hub) & Arjun Tasker (New Partnerships Portfolio Manager), USAID

**Topic:** Connecting with USAID Overseas & Identifying Country Opportunities

**Speakers:** Erik Singer (Supervisory Contract and Agreement Officer, USAID)

**Break:** 11:30 - 11:50

#### Session 2: 11:50 - 12:50

**Topic:** USAID Subcontracting Best Practices

**Speaker:** Mike Shanley (CEO and Founder of Konektid International and AidKonekt Data)

**Networking Lunch:** 12:50 - 14:00

### Session 3: Breakout rooms 14:00 - 15:00

Breakout rooms where participants can join small group moderated discussions with morning session speakers

#### Topics:

- Resources for Partnering with USAID: WorkwithUSAID.org & the Business Forecast (Matt Johnson and Erik Singer)
- USAID business development - how to win and manage funding as a new partner (Mike Shanley, Arjun Tasker, Paul Burford)

**Break:** 15:00 - 15:20

### Session 4: 1 to 1s 15:20 - 16:30

BEI will be able to provide 5 meeting spaces, which will allow 3 meetings of 20 minutes with each speaker – Please email [max@britishexpertise.org](mailto:max@britishexpertise.org) to book your meeting.

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# AIDEX 2023 - The world's leading humanitarian aid and disaster relief

# aidex 2023

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## Date and location

25-26 October, 2023 | Palexpo, Geneva

## Program Link:

<https://www.developmentaid.org/link/AidEx2023>

The world's leading humanitarian aid and disaster relief event - AidEx is featuring high-level conference sessions, workshops, discussion groups, impact sessions, case studies, relief and international development, and training programmes geared to solve the challenges in aid.

The main agenda theme of this year's AidEx is 'Addressing the forgotten crises – how can we manage and anticipate crises when so much of our focus is on Ukraine?. The conference will shine a light on other crises that are obscured by the war in Europe and explore creative solutions to turn the tide on the crises that are not getting the attention they deserve.

AidEx is co-located with Development2030, bringing together global development actors to achieve the sustainable development goals. Together, both events will bring aid, relief and international development professionals all under the same roof to explore the latest innovations, meet new suppliers, share your experiences with your peers, build meaningful relationships and continue the conversation afterwards. In 2022, 2800+ participants attended from 60+ countries including significant participation from UN agencies, the EU, Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, local and international NGOs, donors, foundations, private investors, government and the private sector.

The AidEx and Development2030 agenda is still under development with more sessions to be added shortly. If you are interested in speaking on an existing session or running a workshop/discussion/impact session, please get in touch.

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# MARKET SYSTEMS SYMPOSIUM|2023



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Date and location

14 -16 November, 2023 | Cape Town, South Africa

Program Link:

<https://www.developmentaid.org/link/symposium-2023>

Empower your market systems development practice with inspiration, innovation, and connection.

Get ready to be inspired, equipped, and connected like never before at Market Systems Symposium 2023! Engage with industry-leading experts in Market Systems Development from around the world as we explore cutting-edge research, innovative strategies, and real-world application in this dynamic and engaging forum.

Key Themes:

Given the significant impact of climate change, conflict and food insecurity on our world today, the core themes which we will be discussing, debating, collaborating, and innovating around at MSS2023 are:

- Climate Change & Adaptation
- Conflict-Affected Contexts
- Food Security and Food Systems

Registration:

MSS2023 will take place in-person with select components online in English, French and Spanish, from November 14 -16, 2023 with an optional pre-MSS in-person Study Tour and online training.

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