



As part of the IMF/WBG Annual Meetings the IMF's Middle East and Central Asia Department, Fiscal Affairs Department (FAD) and Middle East Regional Technical Assistance Center (METAC), as well as the International Budget Partnership (IBP), are organizing a high-level dialogue on “**New Frontiers of Openness: Advancing Budget Transparency and Accountability in the MENA Region**”, in collaboration with the European Union.

DATE: Saturday, October 14, 2023
TIME: 13:30 to 15:00 Marrakesh time (See time in your city [HERE](#))
LANGUAGE: English (with simultaneous interpretation into French and Arabic)
MODERATOR: Ana Patricia Munoz, Executive Director of The International Budget Partnership
PANELISTS: Ahmed Kouchouk, Vice Minister of Finance, Egypt
Yassin Naciri, President of the Finance Chamber of the Court of Auditors, Morocco
Karim Trabelsi, Economic Expert at the General Labor Union of Tunisia
Katherine Baer, Deputy Director, Fiscal Affairs Department, International Monetary Fund

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The objective of this event is to demonstrate the benefits of greater budget transparency and to highlight reforms and opportunities for progress. To this end, the event brings together representatives from finance ministries, Supreme Audit Institutions, and civil society representatives from countries in the region as well as international financial institutions to showcase successful models of reform, address concerns over greater openness, and stimulate debate on fiscal transparency from different angles.

References

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