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The Liquidity and Sustainability Facility (LSF) appoints Gabriele Frediani as Head of Development and market infrastructure coverage, Europe



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The Liquidity and Sustainability Facility (LSF) is pleased to announce it is appointing Gabriele Frediani as Head of Development and Market Infrastructure Coverage, Europe, starting 1st March 2024. In this new role, Gabriele will focus on developing partnerships with European institutions such as CSDs and ICSDs, triparty agents, exchanges, trading platforms and central banks, and more broadly building a solid deal pipeline on the continent.

Gabriele has more than 25 years of experience in the financial industry in Fixed Income and Repo. He has notably occupied the positions of Head of European Expansion at BondCliQ, Business Development Advisor at Absolute Collateral, Chief Business Development Officer at Elixium, and Head of Markets at MTS. He has also worked as an independent consultant with the World Bank in Africa.

“Now that the LSF is actively closing deals, we are pleased to welcome such a seasoned professional to expand our geographical reach” said **David Escoffier, CEO of the LSF Secretariat**. “The African Sovereign repo market is garnering increased interest and we are keen to contribute to crowding in more private investors from different horizons wishing to participate in it, in particular if they have a focus on African Green, Social and Sustainability Eurobonds.”

“It is exciting to join the LSF at such a stage of its development” said **Gabriele Frediani**, “I look forward to contributing to the growth and development of its relationships in Europe. I fully adhere to its objectives of supporting the liquidity of African Sovereigns Eurobonds and incentivizing SDG-related investments such as GSS bonds on the African continent and I believe European counterparties can have a meaningful role to play in reaching these targets.”



Notes to the Editor

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About the Liquidity and Sustainability Facility

The LSF was designed with the support of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and Afreximbank, with the dual objective of supporting the liquidity of African Sovereigns Eurobonds and incentivizing SDG-related investments such as GSS bonds on the African continent. The establishment of the LSF was announced in November 2021 at the COP26 in Glasgow. Its aim is to improve African Sovereign debt sustainability and, through its participation with African governments and private investors, contribute to the enhancement of liquidity in the market on par with international standards. An improvement in the terms of new issuances of SDG- or climate-linked bonds for African nations could see a dramatic increase in the volume of green and blue bond financing, and at affordable and sustainable rates. The LSF is amongst USAID 2023 EDGE Fund Projects.

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