

## **World Bank Group Evolution Roadmap Process** **Consultation Plan – Phase 2**

There is broad recognition that the world must do more to address the crises facing development. The devastating impacts of climate change, fragility, debt, pandemics, and other threats to our natural world require a significant shift in the global response. The World Bank Group is central to these efforts, and our shareholders, clients, and partners, want the Bank Group to be able to do more.

In recognition of this, the World Bank Group, led by its Board and shareholders, have embarked on a process to evolve its vision and mission, operating model, and financing capacity. Having publicly disclosed the [Evolution Roadmap](#) in January 2023, the Bank Group is now engaging in a transparent and iterative process with key actors across the development spectrum to ensure an inclusive and open consultative process. The World Bank Group would like feedback from civil society, think tanks, academics, foundations, the private sector, and other stakeholders and partners to inform the next steps in the Evolution Roadmap process.

**Phase 1** of the consultations on the Evolution process began before the 2023 Spring Meetings. Phase 1 consisted of a series of face-to-face engagements held during the Spring Meetings including an in-person Evolution Forum attended by a wide range of stakeholders on April 11, 2023. The event was livestreamed, and a [recording](#) is available on the [consultation website](#). The [summary of feedback](#) received at the Forum is also available on the website. The participants of the Forum engaged in constructive discussion that covered various issues such as poverty reduction, the sustainable development goals, climate change, concessional resources, partnerships and co-financing, and inclusive development with a focus on gender, accountability, and civic space. Participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity to engage in the Forum in Washington but underlined the importance of taking the consultations on the road to stakeholders.

**Phase 2** runs through July 31, 2023 and builds on the lessons and successes of Phase 1 and will help support a collaborative process of listening to perspectives, especially from voices in our client countries. Phase 2 consists of the following:

- The [Development Committee paper](#) provides the primary basis for consultations. It has been translated into French, Arabic, Spanish, Russian, Chinese, and Portuguese and is available on the [consultation website](#). The period of consultations will conclude on July 31, 2023, to allow sufficient time in August to analyze and incorporate feedback ahead of the Annual Meetings in October.
- The meetings will take place in all seven regions during the month of July. One to two cities per region have been selected to serve as a hub that will connect a broad group of stakeholders that represent multiple countries in both face-face format and online. A summary of feedback received will be posted following the events.
- The consultations will target a mix of stakeholders, including civil society organizations, private sector, think tanks, academics, youth, faith-based organizations, development partners, IFIs, and influential individuals.
- The location and format for each of the meetings shown below is being finalized. If any interest in participating in regional consultations, please email [Evolutionroadmap@worldbankgroup.org](mailto:Evolutionroadmap@worldbankgroup.org). Please check the [consultations website](#) regularly for updates.

<b>REGION</b>	<b>DATES</b>
South Asia (Dhaka, Bangladesh)	July 5, 2023
South Asia (New Delhi, India)	July 27, 2023
Africa West (Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire)	July 10-11, 2023
Africa West (Accra, Ghana)	July 13, 2023
Africa East (Nairobi, Kenya)	July 20, 2023
Latin America and Caribbean (Panama City, Panama)	July 10, 2023
Europe and Central Asia (Tirana, Albania)	July 17, 2023
East Asia and Pacific (Jakarta, Indonesia)	July 17, 2023
Middle East and North Africa (Rabat, Morocco)	July 24, 2023