



DFI supported OIF in running a workshop on Public Private Partnerships for the Network of Finance Ministers from Francophone Low-Income Countries. Held in Cotonou, Benin and attended by senior officials from 18 network member countries, the workshop was facilitated by DFI, the IMF, the World Bank, Foley Hoag LLP, African Legal Support Facility, Expertise France, FinInfra, and the Association des Parlementaires Francophones.

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