The UN Joint SDG Fund provides catalytic grants to unblock SDG investment opportunities to accelerate countries toward the SDGs. Grants are provided to countries to demonstrate investment concepts while support is provided by a consortia of UN agencies, development banks and public and private investors. In addition to financial support, the UN supports the development of the enabling environment for more effective SDG investment at country level while empowering national political and business leadership to drive the agenda. Through UN country teams and partners in country, our grants support financial and political de-risking. We also provide parallel funding to support creation of the wider policy and legislative ecosystem for investments and provide technical assistance.

Our partners will manage and capitalise impact funds, issue thematic bonds, co-manage enterprise innovations and challenge funds. They will run accelerators for impact enterprises. We will blend these investments with smart public subsidies, serving as a buffer to de-risk the investments, and to introduce novel SDG-aligned financial products.
This innovative line-up of proposals and future transactions is clustered into five thematic clusters:

**AGRICULTURE & FOOD SECURITY**

Agricultural supply chains financing, small farmers lending, impact investing vehicles for agribusinesses, and technical assistance for rural development, nutrition enhancement, sustainable farming transition.

**Countries:** Angola, Iraq, Malawi, Mexico, Sri Lanka, Suriname

**RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE**

Investment schemes in water and power grid systems, blended financing solutions for economic transformation, waste management, technology enhancement, and renewable energy.

**Countries:** Ghana, Libya, Sudan, Uganda, Uruguay

**NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS & CLIMATE ACTION**

Green financing solutions for climate mitigation, enhanced resilience, and nature conservation, thematic bonds and sukuk, lending schemes for tackling air pollution and carbon emissions.

**Countries:** Cambodia, Egypt, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Madagascar, Moldova, North Macedonia, Zimbabwe

**BLUE ECONOMY**

Financing solutions to preserve marine resources and coral reefs while offering income opportunities to local communities, investment support services and pipeline building and investing in the blue economy.

**Countries:** Barbados, Fiji, Papua New Guinea

**PEOPLE & HEALTH**

Social impact bonds and impact-first investing and philanthropy featuring women entrepreneurship, rural communities’ access to health services, nutrition enhancement, and a green farming transition out of tobacco.

**Countries:** Jordan, Kenya, Rwanda, Zambia

**28 TOTAL JOINT PROGRAMMES**

**12 AFRICA**

**6 LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN**

**5 ASIA & THE PACIFIC**

**3 EUROPE & CENTRAL ASIA**

**2 ARAB STATES**

**INVESTOR ADVISORY GROUPS**

Each thematic cluster is to be connected to an Investor Advisory Group, comprised of leaders across banks, impact investing firms, foundations, family offices and development finance institutions. The groups will act as a sounding board, co-creating an impact driven pipeline of projects to facilitate synergies and co-investment opportunities. Members are invited to the groups based upon their proven leadership and commitment in the field, their thematic interest and portfolio and desire to accelerate progress towards the SDGs.

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