

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**KIFC and UNDP Rwanda Inaugurate Executive Sustainable Finance Masterclass to
Strengthen Rwanda's Sustainable Finance Ecosystem**

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The Kigali International Financial Centre (KIFC), in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Rwanda, today inaugurated the Executive Sustainable Finance Masterclass, a programme designed to strengthen the leadership and institutional capacity needed to advance Rwanda's sustainable finance market.

The Masterclass brings together CEOs, board members, regulators and senior policymakers, the leaders whose decisions determine whether policy frameworks translate into institutional practice and investment. It aims to help close the sustainable finance skills gap across Rwanda's financial and environmental sectors, strengthening leaders' ability to integrate sustainable finance into strategy, risk management and capital allocation.

The initiative builds on Rwanda's progress in establishing a policy foundation for sustainable finance and focuses on strengthening the institutional capability needed to translate that foundation into market practice.

The programme was developed with Frankfurt School of Finance & Management and Dynamia, combining international expertise with a curriculum informed by the needs of Rwanda's financial ecosystem.

The Masterclass forms part of KIFC's broader role as a market builder, strengthening Rwanda's financial ecosystem and supporting the development of new opportunities for sustainable investment.

"Strong sustainable finance ecosystems are built not only on sound policy, but on institutions with the capacity and leadership to translate ambition into action. Through this Masterclass, we are investing in the expertise needed to strengthen decision-making, unlock credible sustainable finance opportunities, and deepen investor confidence in Rwanda as a trusted international financial centre." **Hortense Mudenge, Chief Executive Officer, Kigali International Financial Centre**

"Mobilising finance for nature requires environmental and financial leaders to speak a common language. Through the Biodiversity Finance Initiative (BIOFIN), UNDP is proud to support this masterclass with KIFC, preparing the leaders who will turn Rwanda's sustainability goals into investable opportunities that create jobs, build resilience and serve the people of Rwanda."

Fatmata L. Sesay, Resident Representative, UNDP Rwanda.



About Kigali International Financial Centre

Kigali International Financial Centre is a financial centre facilitating international investment and cross-border transactions in Africa. KIFC positions Rwanda as a preferred financial jurisdiction for investments in Africa by providing an attractive destination for investors with a legal and regulatory framework fully compliant with international best practices

About UNDP Rwanda

UNDP Rwanda supports Rwanda's development priorities through partnerships that strengthen institutions, innovation and sustainable development.

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