Dear Colleagues,

We look forward to having you at the 13th Annual Development Finance Institutions Corporate Governance Conference hosted this year by the International Finance Corporation, in Washington D.C. on March 27-28, 2019.

In this document, you will find a few important details about the event.

**Venue and Time**
The conference will take place at the IFC Auditorium, IFC Building, 2121 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., Washington D.C. 20433. Please use the main entrance along Pennsylvania Avenue to access the building and plan to arrive at least 30 minutes before the meeting to allow for appropriate time to secure your building passes and go through security. There will be a registration table at the IFC building lobby with your name badges. You will need to bring a valid identification with photo to access the building.

We will start receiving participants at 8:00AM. The Program will begin promptly at 9:00AM.

**Cocktail Reception**
This will take place on Wednesday, March 27 at the IFC Atrium at 6:00 PM.

**Visa**
If you require a formal letter of invitation for visa purposes, please contact the CG DFI Conference 2019.

**Travel and Hotel Accommodations**
You are responsible for making your own travel reservation and hotel booking, including airport transfer arrangements if needed. The nearest hotels to the IFC Building, to name a few, would be the following: Hotel Lombardy, The St. Gregory Hotel, One Washington Circle, Melrose Georgetown Hotel, The River Inn, Club Quarters, Westin Georgetown, The Wink Hotel (formerly Renaissance Hotel), Fairmont Washington DC, Four Seasons Hotel, and The Ritz Carlton. There are many other hotels within walking distance to the IFC Building as well if none of the above-mentioned hotels are to your liking.

Since it might be busy in DC around this time of the year with spring break and Cherry Blossoms season, you might want to consider staying at an AirBnB if hotel options become too expensive or sold out.

In any case, we recommend that you secure your accommodations asap to avoid any delay or issues.

**Transportation & Accessibility**
Uber, Lyft or regular taxis (Yellow Cab 1-202-546-7900 or Red Top Cab 1-703-522-3333) are available in and around Washington D.C. You can download the apps through iTunes or Google Play for both Uber and Lyft or call the cab of your choice.

Transportation (shuttle services, buses, and taxis) in and around Dulles International and Reagan National airports are also readily available.

You can also use the Metro (train) from Reagan National Airport (Blue line) to get into downtown Washington D.C. The nearest metro station to the IFC Building is Foggy Bottom.

**City and Climate**
Washington is in the northern part of the humid subtropical climate zone.
March is traditionally considered the first month of spring in Washington DC, providing clear evidence of the beautiful weather to come in the later months of the year. However, there is still some winter weather about, especially in the earlier weeks of the month. Average day time highs in March usually peak at 59 °F (15°C), with the warmest days occurring nearer to the end of the month. Temperatures have reached a record high of 89.6 °F (32°C) in March 1990 so you should be prepared for the chance of some hotter weather during your visit as well.

Conversely, there has been some snowfall seen in March in Washington DC. Usually this occurs only approximately one day every five years. But average low temperatures every year usually fall to approximately 38 °F (3°C). Expect to enjoy an average of 7 hours of daily sunshine at this time of the year in this part of the Atlantic Coast. Very similar to the level of sunshine you can expect in the neighboring region of Baltimore which is slightly further north.

Precipitation occurs throughout the year.

Basically, we cannot guarantee anything so make sure you come prepared for whatever Mother Nature might have up her sleeves! 😊

**What You Can Do In and Around DC**
Click on the links below for more information on some of interesting things that you might enjoy during your stay.

- [National Cherry Blossoms Festival](#) – The festival runs from March 21 through April 19, 2019
- [Smithsonian Museums, Galleries and Zoo](#)
- [The Kennedy Center](#)
- [National Harbor](#)
- [District Wharf](#)
- [Hop On Hop Off Bus Tour](#)

If you have additional questions regarding the logistics for the event, please contact the [CG DFI Conference 2019](#).