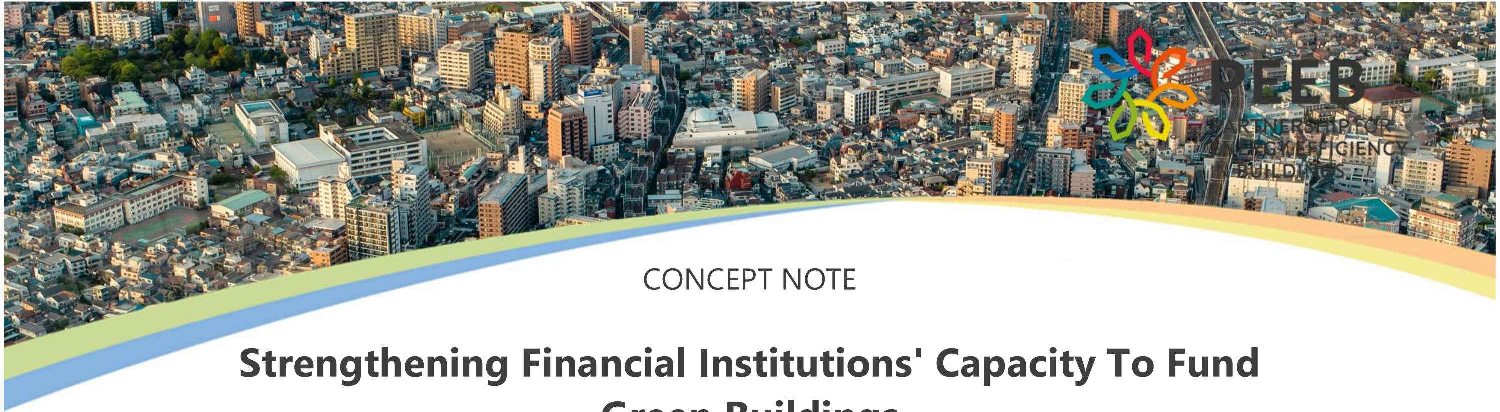

CONCEPT NOTE

Strengthening Financial Institutions' Capacity To Fund Green Buildings

29–30 October 2025, 13:00-14:00, Hotel Holiday Inn (Milenium 2)
Link for Online Participation: https://teams.live.com/meet/939477229681?p=FrZ2LyQVyJOGiqEpqU

Background

As part of its efforts to promote finance for building sustainability, the Partnership for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (PEEB) is working closely with (development) finance institutions to unlock their potential for transforming the buildings sector. In this framework, PEEB is offering a Flash Training on green building financing as part of IFESD 2025. Participants will gain practical knowledge on green building fundamentals, understand how building sustainability creates value, and how to capture this value through the right financial instruments and across bank operations. Sessions on policy and incentives will help actors to identify opportunities and ensure regulatory compliance.

Development banks have a key role to play in one of the major global climate investment gaps: sustainability in buildings. Investment in building energy efficiency and resilience lags at xx annually - half the volume needed to achieve Paris agreement goals, in a sector that is responsible for 34% of global energy-related GHG emissions. Co-benefits in terms of well-being, economic productivity, energy security, and affordability Development finance institutions, which represent 10% of global investment, are experts in the localized contexts in which buildings are planned, constructed, sold, and used. With their expertise and capacity to deploy innovative finance instruments, they can mobilize additional public and private finance and scale up investment in the sector. The impacts go beyond climate: they include well-being, economic growth, energy security and affordability.

Yet, development banks investment in the energy sector accounts for only 1% globally, energy efficiency included. The global south, where a global construction boom is set to accelerate climate change impacts, receives a mere 15% of global energy investment. PEEB research has shown that the topic remains relatively new and complex for those institutions. Insufficient regulations, absence of clear financial incentives, and lack of institutional capacities hinder the creation of energy efficient building portfolios.

PEEB developed the current training to address those capacity needs. This cross-cutting is part of a larger capacity building initiative for development banks led by PEEB. It builds on the “Energy Efficiency in Social Infrastructure Toolkit”, a publication developed by PEEB in partnership with the Finance in Common Summit (FiCS) and 15 development banks. Available to all banks through the GlobalABC Finance Hub, the training is also a piece of PEEB’s ongoing initiatives to engage development banks in global knowledge exchanges for energy efficiency in buildings.

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About PEEB

The Partnership for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (PEEB) works to transform the global buildings sector by promoting sustainable building design, construction, and operation. Through innovative financing and policy support, PEEB helps lower energy demand, reduce emissions, and unlock economic and environmental benefits for a climate-resilient future. PEEB's approach combines financing from the French development bank AFD with policy support and training from GIZ to create long-term change in the buildings sector. AFD supports public and private developers with the skills and financing needed for large-scale, energy–efficient buildings.

Target audience

Participants from public and semi-public development banks, commercial banks and other financial institutions.

Learning objectives

- Gaining understanding of the economic and financial case for energy-efficient buildings
- Improved understanding of how to mobilize financing through standards, incentives, and partnerships
- Identification of policy instruments and incentives that facilitate investment in the sector
- Access to case studies and tools that support ongoing policy development

Mode of participation

This Flash training will be delivered in hybrid mode (in-person and online)

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Agenda

Day 1 – 29th October, 13:00-14:00

Time	**Title and content**
05 min	**Introduction to the training**
25 min	**Financial Viability of Energy Efficiency Buildings I** • Economic and Financial Benefits of Energy Efficiency: cost–benefit dynamics (long-term savings vs. upfront costs) • How energy efficiency increases property value
25 min	**Finance and Investment Frameworks** • Green Finance and Sustainable Investment Frameworks: national & international taxonomies; alignment with green bond standards and sustainable finance regulations • Financing Mechanisms and Incentives: subsidies, guarantees, tax incentives; mobilizing private sector engagement and international climate finance • Case studies of successful financing frameworks
05 min	**Closing and evaluation**

Day 2 – 30th October, 13:00-14:00

Time	**Title and content**
05min 25min	**A brief overview of the topics from the previous day (day 1), with a connection to the PPT for the current day** **Supervision and verification** • Building certification systems: main features and differences between existing certifications in their local context • Third-party verifiers and energy auditors: Role, who they are, when they participate and what must validate
25 min	**Verification, Monitoring and Reporting** • Key elements to identify sustainable technologies and design feature these in project budgets, and key indicators relevant to national taxonomy, and international standards. • Basic concepts of performance guarantees and energy performance, How monitoring supports loan repayment and reduces financial risk
05 min	**Closing and evaluation**

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