Experts from the private sector, academia, NGOs, UN agencies and government gathered in November 2013 for a consultation meeting in preparation for the 2014 installment of the Africa Progress Report. A central question underpinned the meeting: what kind of development finance does Africa need to build a sustained and inclusive growth? The consultation panel discussed a variety of topics: transforming agriculture and fisheries; developing infrastructure; mobilising investment; improving taxation; and better use of aid. A summary publication details the framework of the discussion and provides some background papers.