DRI chaired a plenary session as part of the UN ECOSOC meeting of the High-Level Political Forum on the SDGs. The subject of the session was how to monitor the contribution of private and blended development cooperation, and broader private flows, to progress on the SDGs. The session was based on a background report written by DFI for the DCF, and discussed how the effectiveness and impact of these flows could be assessed, and how to overcome financial, political and technical barriers to achieving this.

Stakeholders from the official and private sector all agreed that this should be a priority going forward and undertook to participate in further discussions during the next 2016-18 phase of the DCF.