

Annotated Agenda

9th Ministerial Conference of the Least Developed Countries

Vienna International Centre, Vienna, Austria / 25-26 November

The Next Decade of Action: Accelerating ISID in LDCs

UNIDO Website: <https://www.unido.org/ninth-ministerial-conference-ldcs>

DAY 1: Thursday, 25 November 2021

VENUE: Board Room A (BR-A), M building, 2nd floor, and via Interprefy: link (tbc)

8:00 - 9:30	<i>(in-person)</i>	Registration of participants
8:30 - 9:30	<i>(in-person)</i>	Internal coordination meeting with the Vice-Chair and Rapporteur, H.E. Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun, Minister of Industries, Bangladesh Venue: MoE 12, M building
9:30 - 12:00	<i>(hybrid)</i>	Informal debates on the Ministerial Declaration for the LDCs led by the Vice-Chair and Rapporteur, H.E. Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun, Minister of Industries, Bangladesh <i>Provisional list of interventions (to be reflected in the agenda if Ministers or delegations express interest in taking the floor)</i> 1. Chair Group -77 (tbc)
12:00 - 14:00		LUNCH BREAK
14:00 - 18:30	<i>(virtual and streamed in BR-A, M building)</i>	SIDE EVENTS: UNIDO response to the Programme of Action for LDCs 2022-2031
14:00 - 15:30		SIDE EVENT 1: “Agricultural value chain productivity growth as a vehicle for steering structural transformation”
14:00 - 15:30		SIDE EVENT 2: “Mainstreaming the 4IR in LDCs through Science, Technology and Innovation”
15:30 - 17:00		SIDE EVENT 3: “Structural transformation in industry to build back better after COVID-19: tapping into opportunities for less-distant sourcing and regional value chain development ”
15:30 - 17:00		SIDE EVENT 4: “Gold trade and the transformation potential of the artisanal and small-scale gold mining sector”

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17:00 – 18:30	(virtual and streamed in BR-A, M building)	SIDE EVENT 5: “Circular economy: leveraging the post-pandemic response to build forward to the future we want”
17:00 – 18:30		SIDE EVENT 6: “Accelerating the energy transition through integrated and inclusive regional renewable energy and energy efficiency product and services markets within the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)”
17:00 – 18:30		SIDE EVENT 7: “Building Resilient Health Systems through Strengthening of Regional Health Industries”

END OF DAY 1

DAY 2: Friday, 26 November 2021

VENUE: Board Room A (BR-A), M building and via Interprefy: link (tbc)

7:00 – 9:00	(in-person)	Registration of participants
8:00 – 9:00	(in-person)	Internal coordination meeting with the Moderator and the panellists Venue: M6, M building
8:00 – 9:00	(in-person)	Internal coordination meeting with the Chair, H.E. Mr. Chipoka Mulenga, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia Venue: MoE 12, M building
9:00 – 9:30	(hybrid)	OPENING SESSION
Welcome address		
9:00 – 9:03		Introduction by the Moderator, Ms. Folly Bah Thibault, Principal Presenter, Al Jazeera English
9:03 – 9:10		Opening remarks by the Chair, H.E. Mr. Chipoka Mulenga, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia
Special guest		
9:10 – 9:15		Permanent Representative of Malawi to the United Nations in New York, Global Chair of LDCs, H.E. Perks Clemency Ligoya (tbc)
High-level opening by co-organizers		
9:15 – 9:20		Mr. Li Yong, Director General, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
9:20 – 9:25		Mr. Courtenay Rattray, Under-Secretary General and High Representative, United Nations Office of the High representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLS)
9:25 – 9:30		Mr. Georges Rebelo Pinto Chikoti, Secretary General, Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS)

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9:30 – 12:00	(hybrid)	SESSION 1: “Unpacking Doha Programme of Action (DPoA) priorities to address the needs of LDCs”
Keynote presentations		
9:30 – 9:52		Presentation on “LDCs priorities and needs in the next decade” by OACPS (tbc)
9:53 – 10:15		Presentation on “Doha Programme of Action priorities” by Ms. Susanna Wolf, Team leader LDC Unit, UN-OHRLS
10:15 – 10:30		COFFEE BREAK
Ministerial Dialogue		
10:30 – 12:00		High-level Ministerial Interactive Dialogue “Unpacking DPoA priorities to address the needs of LDCs” <i>Ministerial discussions guided by the Moderator (interactive session between OACPS, UN-OHRLS and Ministers)). List of interventions to be reflected in the agenda if Ministers or delegations express interest in taking the floor.</i> <i>Provisional list of speakers (tbc)</i>
12:00 – 14:00		LUNCH BREAK
14:00 – 16:30	(hybrid)	SESSION 2: “The Next Decade of Action: Accelerating ISID in LDCs”
Keynote presentations		
14:00 – 14:15		UNIDO Presentation: “From Istanbul Programme of Action (IPoA) to DPoA: Towards UNIDO’s Operational strategy for LDCs in the Next Decade” – Mr. Ciyong Zou, Managing Director, Directorate of Programmes, Partnerships, and Field Coordination, UNIDO
Davos-style Dialogue		
14:15 – 15:45		Davos-style dialogue on the theme of the Conference “The Next Decade of Action: Accelerating ISID in LDCs” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CABO VERDE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – H.E. Mr. Alexandre Dias Monteiro, Minister of Industry, Commerce and Energy, Cabo Verde • European Union <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Jutta Urpilainen, EU Commissioner for International Partnerships (tbc) • African Union Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Albert Muchanga, African Union Commissioner for Trade and Industry (tbc) • United Nations Global Compact (Business Sector) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Sanda Ojiambo, Executive Director and CEO, UN Global Compact (tbc) • United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Preeti Sinha, Executive Secretary, UNCDF (tbc)

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14:15 – 15:45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations Technology Bank for the LDCs (UNTBLC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Joshua Setipa, Managing Director UNTBLDC (tbc) • Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Yang Rahman, Chair ASEAN Business Advisory Council (ASEAN-BAC) (tbc) • Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ms. Chileshe Mpundu Kapwepwe, Secretary-General, COMESA (tbc) • Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Representative (tbc) • Global Environment Facility (GEF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Gustavo Alberto Fonseca, Director of Programmes, GEF (tbc) • Committee for Development Policy (CDP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mr. Ha-Joon Chang, Director, Centre of Development Studies, University of Cambridge, and Member of the Committee for Development Policy (CDP)
Ministerial Dialogue		
15:45 – 16:30:		<p>High-level Ministerial Policy Dialogue on the theme of the Conference “The Next Decade of Action: Accelerating ISID in LDCs”</p> <p><i>Ministerial discussions guided by the Moderator (interactive session between panellists and Ministers). List of interventions to be reflected in the agenda if Ministers or delegations express interest in taking the floor. Provisional list of speakers:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>United Nations Resident Coordination Zambia, Ms. Coumba Mar Gadio (virtual via Interprefy)</i> 2. <i>Mr. Bah F.M. Saho, Acting Executive Director, ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE) (tbc)</i>
16:30 – 16:45		COFFEE BREAK
16:45 – 17:00	(hybrid)	SESSION 3: “Consideration and adoption of the Ministerial Declaration”
16:45 – 16:55		Remarks by the Vice-Chair and Rapporteur, H.E. Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun, Minister of Industries, Bangladesh
16:55 – 17:00		Adoption by the Chair, H.E. Mr. Chipoka Mulenga, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia
17:00 – 17:15		CLOSING SESSION
17:00 – 17:03		Mr. Li Yong, Director General, UNIDO
17:04 – 17:06		Mr. Courtenay Rattray, Under-Secretary General and High Representative, UN-OHRLS
17:07 – 17:09		Mr. Georges Rebelo Pinto Chikoti, Secretary General, OACPS
17:10 – 17:12		Adjournment by the Chair, H.E. Mr. Chipoka Mulenga, Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry, Zambia
17:13 – 17:15		Closing of the event by the Moderator, Ms. Folly Bah Thibault, Principal Presenter, Al Jazeera English
17:30 – 18:30		RECEPTION (in-person) (tbc)
END OF DAY 2		