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on the Least Developed Countries**

Istanbul, Turkey (9–13 May 2011)

Official meetings

Friday, 13 May 2011

Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

		Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Centre
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	9th plenary meeting	<i>Anadolu Auditorium</i>
	General debate ¹	[7]
3–6 p.m.	10th plenary meeting	<i>Anadolu Auditorium</i>
	Consideration of the draft outcome documents of the Conference (A/CONF.219/L.1 and A/CONF.219/3).	[8]
	Adoption of the report of the Conference (A/CONF.219/L.2).	[10]
	Other business (A/CONF.219/L.3)	[9]
	Closure of the Conference	

Committee of the Whole

		Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Centre
9 a.m.–12 noon	3rd meeting	<i>Room Rumeli A</i>

¹The complete list of speakers for the general debate of the Conference appears under a special header at the end of the *Journal* (see pp.6–7). Delegations are reminded that interventions in the general debate *should be limited to 10 minutes for Member States and 8 minutes for other participants*, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts.



Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

8–9 a.m. Closed meeting Room Sultan 2

Press conferences

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Press Briefing Room, Media Centre (Hilton Convention and Exhibition Centre) 

11 a.m. Press briefing on the newly-agreed Istanbul Declaration and Programme of Action

Loft (Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Centre) 

2.30 p.m. Civil Society Steering Committee

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 11 May 2011

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5th plenary meeting *General debate* [7]

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Ib Petersen, State Secretary for Development Policy of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Abdi Waki Mohamed Ali, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Planning and International Cooperation of Somalia; H.E. Mr. Zacarias Albano Da Costa, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Timor-Leste; H.E. Mr. Modibo Ibrahim Toure, Minister of Posts and New Technologies of Mali; H.E. Mr. Vincent Zakane, Minister Delegate for Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso; H.E. Mr. Osman Mohammed Saleh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Eritrea; H.E. Mr. Ahmed Naseem, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Maldives; H.E. Mr. János Martonyi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Hungary; H.E. Mr. Joseph Bandabla Dauda, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Sierra Leone; H.E. Mr. Samir Yousef Ali El Sayyad, Minister of Trade and Industry of Egypt; H.E. Mr. Louise Mushikiwabo, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Rwanda; H.E. Mr. Toga Gayeweah Mcintosh,

Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liberia; H.E. Mr. Khandu Wangchuk, Minister for Economic Affairs of Bhutan; H.E. Mr. Antoine Gambi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Central African Republic, H.E. Mr. Neomal Perera, Deputy Minister of External Affairs of Sri Lanka; and H.E. Mr. Wolfgang Waldner, State Secretary for the Minister for European and International Affairs of Austria.

6th plenary meeting *General debate* [7]

Statements were made by H.E. Ms. Jan O’Sullivan, Minister of State for Trade and Development of Ireland; H.E. Mr. Dede Ahoefa Ekoue, Minister of Planning and Development of Togo; H.E. Mr. Andrey Denisov, First Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; H.E. Mr. Fu Ziyang, Deputy Minister of Commerce of China; H.E. Mr. Stephen O’Brien, Minister for International Development of the United Kingdom; H.E. Mr. João Gomes Cravinho, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Portugal; H.E. Mr. Raphael Ngazouze, Minister Delegate for Foreign Affairs of Gabon; H.E. Mr. Kam Zaw, Deputy Minister for National Planning and Economic Development of Myanmar; H.E. Mr. Kostyantyn Gryshchenko, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; H.E. Mr. Bob McMullan, Minister and Special Envoy of the Prime Minister of Australia; H.E. Ms. Aurelia Frick, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liechtenstein; H.E. Mr. Sven Alkalaj, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina; H.E. Mr. Nickolay Mladenov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria; H.E. Mr. Evaldas Ignatavičius, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania; H.E. Mr. Mirosław Sycz, Chair of the Delegation of Poland; H.E. Ms. Frances-Galatia Lanitou Williams, Director of Development Cooperation, Humanitarian Assistance and International Financial Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cyprus; H.E. Mr. Ali Ahmed Karti, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan; H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani, Chair of the Delegation of the Niger; H.E. Mr. Luis Alfonso de Alba, Special Envoy for Climate Change of Mexico; H.E. Mr. Jorge Díaz, Vice Minister of Health of Chile; H.E. Mr. Kairnarbek Toktomashev, Chair of the Delegation of Kyrgyzstan; H.E. Mr. Martin Dahinden, Secretary of State of Switzerland; Mr. Clément Duhaime, Administrator of the International Organization of la Francophonie; and Mr. Kaliba Konaré, Director of the World Meteorological Organization.

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7th plenary meeting *General debate* [7]

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Min Dong Seok, Vice-Minister at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea; H.E. Ms. Amanda Ellis, Deputy Secretary International Development at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand; H.E. Mr. Henry Eyebe Ayissi, Minister of External Relations of Cameroon; H.E. Mr. Shri S.M. Krishna, Minister for External Affairs of India; H.E. Mr. Vladimir Galuska, Deputy Minister at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic; H.E. Mr. Doan Xuan Hung, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam; H.E. Ms. Vera Lúcia Barrouin Crivano Machado, Deputy Foreign Minister for Political Affairs of Brazil; H.E. Mr. Doru Romulus Costea, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania; H.E. Mr. Antonio Rodriguez, Undersecretary for International Economic Relations at the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Philippines; H.E. Mr. Vijavat Isarabhakdi, Director-General at the Department of International Organizations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand; H.E. Ms. Elisabetta Belloni, Director-General for Development Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy; H.E. Mr. Vanu

Gopala Menon, Chair of the Delegation of Singapore; and H.E. Mr. Victor Moraru, Chair of the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova.

Report of the Credentials Committee (A/CONF.219/5) [6 (b)]

The Chair of the Credentials Committee, H.E. Mr. Vanu Gopala Menon, introduced the report of the Committee (A/CONF.219/5).

The Conference adopted the draft resolution recommended in paragraph 13 of the report of the Committee.

8th plenary meeting

The summary of the 8th plenary meeting of the Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal of the United Nations* (No. 2011/93), published at United Nations Headquarters.

Thematic debate 6

Human and social development, gender equality and empowerment of women

The Co-Chair of the thematic debate, H.E. Mr. Steven Vanackere, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Institutional Reforms of Belgium, opened the meeting and made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the following keynote speakers: H.E. Mr. Gervais Rufyikiri, Second Vice-President of the Republic of Burundi; H.E. Ms. Selma Aliye Kavaf, State Minister for Women and Family Affairs of Turkey; and Ms. Michelle Bachelet, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women.

Statements were also made by the following panellists: Dr. Shireen Sharmin Chowdhury, State Minister for Women and Children Affairs of Bangladesh; Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund; Ms. Irina Bokova, Director-General of the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization; Mr. William Lacy Swing, Director-General of the International Organization for Migration; Dr. Paul De Lay, Deputy Executive Director (Programmes) of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS; Ms. Patricia Francis, Executive Director, International Trade Centre; and Ms. Thida Khus, Executive Director of SILAKA.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Public Services of the Kingdom of Lesotho and H.E. Mr. Evaldas Ignatačius, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lithuania.

Statements were made by the representatives of Togo and the Niger.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: One Laptop per Child Foundation; East African Diaspora Networking; and Africa New Future Foundation.

The panellists responded to comments made and questions raised.

H.E. Mr. Gervais Rufyikiri, Second Vice-President of the Republic of Burundi, also responded to comments made and questions raised.

The Co-Chairs, H.E. Mr. Peter Shanel Agovaka, Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of the Solomon Islands and H.E. Mr. Steven Vanackere, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Institutional Reforms of Belgium, made concluding remarks.

General information

More details on the information below are available in document [A/CONF.219/INF/1](#).

Credentials of representatives

Delegates are reminded that in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference ([A/CONF.219/2](#)), the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the Conference, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States. Delegates are accordingly requested to submit their credentials to the Office of Legal Affairs of the Conference (Barbaros, Room 3), which is situated on the lower level of the Conference premises.

Circulation of written statements

Delegations wishing to have their statements distributed to the meeting participants are requested to deliver 350 copies to the meetings services assistants located at the documents distribution counter outside Anadolu Auditorium prior to the start of the meeting at which the statement is being delivered. Delegations who wish to have written statements distributed to the media are requested to deliver 300 copies to the media documents counter located in the basement of Rumeli Hall. Participants are reminded that the Secretariat will not be in a position to offer reproduction services for such texts.

Delegations that wish to have statements posted on the Internet <www.un.org/webcast> are requested to provide, in advance, an electronic copy of their statement, in any of the official languages, on CD-ROM to the United Nations webcast room located in the basement of Rumeli Hall or by e-mail (webcast@un.org).

Distribution of official documents

The official documentation of the Conference will be issued in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. The main documents counter for delegations will be located outside Anadolu Auditorium. Each delegation will be assigned an individual box in which copies of all official documents issued during the Conference will be placed. Delegations are reminded that the document boxes are exclusively for the distribution of official documents of the Conference and may not be used for circulation of any other papers or documents. For the convenience of participants, a documents counter will also be located at the entrance of Rumeli Hall.

Receipt and circulation of other documents

Other documents that United Nations entities, Governments, non-governmental organizations and business sector entities or other accredited organizations may wish to make available to participants in the Conference are to be provided by the entity concerned in appropriate languages and quantities. Members of United Nations entities should forward two copies of each document they intend to distribute to Ms. Sonia Elliott for screening. Ms. Elliott can also be reached by e-mail at elliotts@un.org. Any material not cleared by the above official will be considered unauthorized and will be removed.

Arrangements for bilateral meetings

For bilateral meetings among Member States at the Head of State or Government or ministerial level, eight small temporary booths, each with a capacity to hold a maximum of six participants, will be available in Room Domabache C (Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Centre), until *today*, 13 May 2011.

Live coverage

The Department of Public Information is providing live and on-demand Webcast coverage of the Conference in English and the original language of the speaker. Internet users around the world are able to follow the Conference proceedings by viewing the live webcast coverage and access information such as statements and archived video at <www.un.org/webcast>. Delegations wishing to have their statements published on the official Conference Web site should send an advance electronic copy to the following e-mail address: webcast@un.org.

Press conferences

Daily press briefings by the Spokesperson for the Conference will be held in the Loft, Lütfi Kırdar Convention and Exhibition Centre, at 12 noon. Requests for press conferences should be directed to scaddan@un.org. A daily schedule of press briefings will be posted in the media centre, in the daily *Journal* and on the Conference Web site, and updates to the schedule will be posted at [twitter.com//UN_LDCIV_Spox](https://twitter.com/UN_LDCIV_Spox).

List of speakers¹ for the plenary meetings of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (Istanbul, Turkey (9–13 May 2011))

1. International Organization for Migration (IOM)
2. Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)
3. African Development Bank (ADB)
4. Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
5. International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
6. World Food Programme (WFP)
7. United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
8. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

¹The list of speakers for the plenary meetings has been closed, pursuant to rule 22 of the rules of procedure. Delegations are reminded that interventions in the plenary meetings *should be limited to 10 minutes for Member States and 8 minutes for other participants*, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts. For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (tel. 0530-243-0181).

9. Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO)
10. Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
11. International Maritime Organization (IMO)
12. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)