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Welcome to CDP Updates, an electronic digest keeping you informed about activities carried out by the Committee for Development Policy (CDP) and its Secretariat. Recent activities include the following.

- The concept of structural economic vulnerability and its relevance for the identification of the LDCs and other purposes (CDP background paper)
 - Patrick Guillaumont, a former member of the CDP, discusses the conceptual, methodological and empirical issues related to the economic vulnerability index (EVI) in the identification of LDCs...
- The criteria for identifying LDCs has been updated
 At its 13th plenary session (March 2011) the CDP introduced some refinements to the LDC criteria in particular to the economic vulnerability index (EVI)...

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