High-level Side Event 2018 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development

TRANSFORMING FINANCE IN ASIA-PACIFIC: THE FINTECH REVOLUTION

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

18:15 – 18:30 Registration and refreshments

18:30 – 18:50 Introductory remarks

• **Ms. Shamshad Akhtar,** Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of ESCAP [Moderator]

Key note addresses

- H.E. Mr. Abul Maal Abdul Muhith, Minister of Finance, Bangladesh
- H.E. Mr. Bambang P.S. Brodjonegoro, Minister of National Development Planning, Indonesia
- **H.E. Mr. Yerzhan Ashikbayev**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kazakhstan

18:50 - 19:20 Panelists

- H.E. Mr. Mustafa Mastoor, Minister of Economy, Afghanistan
- H.E. Mr. Nim Dorji, Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Bhutan
- H.E. Mr. Mohammad Khazaee, Vice Minister of Economic Affairs & Head of Organization for Investments and Economic Assistance, Islamic Republic of Iran
- **H.E. Mr Somchith Inthamith**, Deputy Minister, Minister of Industry and Commerce, Lao People's Democratic Republic
- Ms. Azeema Adam, Government of Maldives Envoy for Financing for Development and former Governor of Maldives Monetary Authority
- **H.E. Mr. Odo Tevi**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of the Republic of Vanuatu to the United Nations

19:20 - 19:45 Lead discussants

- Ms. Kathleen DeRose, Clinical Associate Professor, Finance, FinTech Leader, New York University, Stern School of Business
- Mr. Xiaochen Zhang, President, Fintech4Good
- Ms. Alisa DiCaprio, Head of Research at R3
- Mr. Alexander R. Malaket, CITP, CTFP, President, OPUS Advisory Services International Inc.
- Ms. Lidy Nacpil, Coordinator, Jubilee South Asia Pacific Movement on Debt and Development

19:45 – 19:55 Open discussion

19:55 – 20:00 Closing remarks