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SIDE EVENT DURING THE ECOSOC F&D FORUM

THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES: EXPANDING THE FINANCING TOOL-BOX AND MANAGING VULNERABILITY

20 April 2016, 1:15-2:30 pm, UNHQ, Conference Room 5

Light lunch will be served from 12:45 to 1:15 pm

Agence Française de Développement (AFD), the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) are pleased to invite you to a side event during the inaugural ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development in New York.

To meet the world's new Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), developing countries – and in particular LDCs – will need to mobilize more financing. They will also need to more effectively manage volatility, such as international financial and economic instability, disease outbreaks and extreme weather events that can derail development.

AFD and UNDP are preparing a joint analytical paper exploring recent developing country experiences with a variety of financing instruments and provides empirically-grounded policy options for scaling-up some of these approaches to LDCs. It will be presented at the Midterm Review of the Istanbul Programme of Action.

This side event will be an opportunity to hear a preliminary presentation of some of the work's key findings and recommendations, and to learn more about how this work may be relevant to LDCs. A panel discussion will follow.

If you do not have a UN ground pass, please RSVP by Friday, April 15th to Ms. Sallem Berhane at sallem.berhane@undp.org indicating your first name, last name, organization and function.