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High-level Thematic Round Table 8
Supporting Sustainable and Irreversible Graduation
from the Least Developed Country Category

9 March 2023, Doha time: 9am to 12 noon
Thematic Roundtables Hall

Draft Programme

9:00 – 9:08 Opening remarks by Co-Chairs

- H. E. Ms. Mariam Chabi Talata Zime Yerima, Vice President Benin
- H.E. Ms. Heidy Rombouts, Vice-Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid, Belgium

9:08 – 9:20 Keynote address

- Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, DSG, United Nations

9:20 – 9:50 Presentations by high-level panelists

- H.E. Mr. Mário João, Minister of Economy and Planning of Angola
- Mr. Henry Puna, Secretary General of PIF Secretariat
- Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Member of the Committee for Development Policy (CDP)
- Ms. Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir, Director, OECD Development Centre

9:40 -10:00 Interventions by lead discussants

- Ms. Chee Yoke Ling, Head, Third World Network

10:00 – 11:45 Interactive debate among States and other relevant stakeholders

11:45 – 11:55 Response by Panelists

11:55 – 12:00 Closing remarks by Co-chairs