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High-level Thematic Round Table 8

Supporting Sustainable and Irreversible Graduation from the Least Developed Country Category

The DPoA recognizes that graduating LDCs need support to address their specific challenges and needs, in particular, in the areas of trade, intellectual property rights and financing for development.

A critical component of such support is dedicated capacity development in the form of policy and technical advisory services, that is incentive-based and time-bound and tailored for each country's needs including responding to possible crises or disasters they may face.

Concrete measures such as the iGRAD (Sustainable Graduation Support Facility) included as a fundamental component of the Doha Programme of Action can be a key steppingstone for graduating and graduated countries to achieve the SDGs in the last mile.

March 9, 2023

09:00 - 12:00

Thematic Roundtables Hall

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9 March 2023, Doha time: 9am to 12 noon
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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