



LDC5 5TH UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES



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LDC5 PREP COM SIDE EVENT:

“Towards Improved Support to Graduating and Graduated Countries”

26 May 2021, 8:00am – 9:45am

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Amidst a challenging global environment, this side event will discuss how the international community can give concrete support to least developed countries that are graduating as well as to graduated countries.

The new Programme of Action for the LDCs is critically important to build on successes achieved on reaching graduation thresholds, to provide further impetus to LDCs in meeting the 2030 Development Agenda and SDGs, to identify and respond to new and emerging challenges, and to leverage opportunities, rather than fall farther behind. In recent years, the Inter Agency Task Force has been providing better coordinated UN System support to graduating LDCs. The CDP has piloted a new initiative, the Sustainable Graduation Support Facility, and proposed enhancements to its monitoring system.

As the new decade is expected to see an increased number of LDCs reaching the graduation thresholds amidst challenging external conditions, LDC5 should lead to concrete, integrated and innovative global support that help these countries to achieve risk-informed sustainable graduation with momentum.

OBJECTIVE:

This side event will provide key messages to the LDC5 PrepCom related to improved and concrete support to graduating and graduated countries.

Participants at the event are expected to elaborate on the following questions:

- What are the key messages regarding improved and concrete support to graduating and graduated countries, including strengthening UN System coordination;
- How to enhance the CDP’s proposed contributions on improved support measures, particularly through the Sustainable Graduation Support Facility and an improved monitoring mechanism.

EVENT FORMAT:

The event will be organized as an interactive panel discussion moderated by Her Excellency the Permanent Representative for the People’s Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations, Ms. Rabab Fatima.

Moderator:	H.E. Ms. Fatima (tbc) (5min)
Opening remarks:	CDP Chair, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo (tbc) (5 min)
Panellists:	CDP Member Mr. Debapriya Bhattacharya (10 min)
	CDP Member Mr. Taffere Tesfachew (10 min)
Lead discussants	Representatives of graduating and recently graduated countries (tbc) (6-7 min each = 20 min)
Interactive Discussion	All Participants (30 min)
Closing remarks	Director OHRLLS, Ms. Heidi Schroderus-Fox (5 min)

EVENT ORGANISERS: CDP Secretariat, OHRLLS and Permanent Mission of Bangladesh.

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