Preparatory Process for the Fifth UN Conference on the LDCs

Annual Workshop for the LDC National Focal Points

13 November 2019, UNHQ





UNGA Res. 73/242 decided to convene UNLDC-V in 2021 at highest possible level with mandate to:

- Undertake a comprehensive appraisal of IPOA implementation
- Identify effective international and domestic policies, new emerging challenges, best practices, and means to address
- Reaffirm global commitment to address LDCs special needs
- Mobilize additional international support measures and action

The State of Qatar will host the Conference in Doha from 21-25 March 2021.



Parallel Thematic Roundtables/Panels

Forum for LDC Parliamentarians

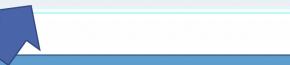
FIFTH UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

Doha, State of Qatar, 21-25 March 2021 (date to be confirmed by the UN General Assembly)

Commemorative Event on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the creation of the LDC category

Civil Society & Private Sector Forums

Side Events and Exhibitions



PREPARATORY PROCESS

Pre-Conference Events on thematic priority areas 2020-2021 Informal
Consultations
between LDCs
and
Development
Partners
2019-2021

Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee Sessions

8-14 Sept 2020 and 11-15 Jan 2021 (TBC) UNHQ, New York

Africa Regional Review Meeting 11-13 Feb 2020

Blantyre, Malawi ECA COM 18-24 March 2020 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Asia-Pacific
Regional Review
Meeting

TBC, Spring 2020 ESCAP COM 18-22 May 2020 Bangkok, Thailand Advocacy / Media Events and Initiatives 2019-2021

Relevant Intergovernmental Processes and Global Events 2019-2021

National Review Reports and Country-Level Preparations 2019/2020

UNLDC-V to be preceded by substantive preparations

National

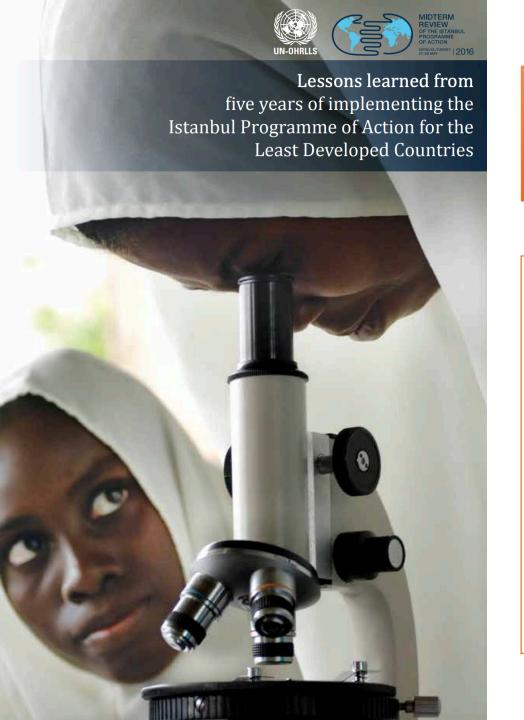
LDCs to report on progress in their country

Regional

Two preparatory review meetings

Global

 Two sessions of Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee



National level review process

- LDC National Review Reports
- Annual Workshop of LDC National Focal Points
- OHRLLS to prepare analytical review and assessment of LDC national reports and priorities
- National reviews to feed into regional level preparations

Regional level review process

- Africa (+ Haiti)
 - Ministerial Review Meeting in Blantyre, Malawi, 11-13 Feb 2020
 - In close cooperation with ECA
 - Report on 10-year implementation of IPOA in the region
 - Outcome Document
 - Endorsement by ECA COM, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, March 2020

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Global Preparatory Process

• UN System and other partners are invited to contribute

Thematic Special appraisals events

- Multi-stakeholder engagement
- ✓ CSOs
- ✓ Private Sector
- ✓ Academia
- ✓ Parliamentarians
- ✓ Youth
- PGA, ECOSOC, Second Committee events TBD

Dates	Selected Events		
April 2020	Financing for Development Forum, NY		
May	Development Cooperation Forum, NY SEforALL Forum, Rwanda		
June	WTO Ministerial Conference, Kazakhstan Vienna Energy Forum, Austria		
July	High Level Political Forum, NY		
September	1 st session PrepCom, NY Ministerial Meeting of LDCs		
October	OHRLLS/UNU-WIDER Academic Conference, Finland UNCTAD XV, Barbados		
November	UNFCCC COP26, UK		
January 2021	2 nd session PrepCom, NY		
March Fifth UN Conference on LDCs, Qatar Celebration of 50 th Anniversary of LDC Cates			

UN System's commitments so far:

	Thematic Preparatory Events		Thematic Appraisals
UNIDO	LDC Ministerial held in Abu Dhabi, 2 November 2019	ILO	Report on Decent Work for All in LDCs, in context of future of work
WTO	Contribute to pre-conf events Side event at UNLDC-V	WTO	Report on LDC graduation Dedicated report for UNLDC-V
ESCAP	Co-organize the Asia-Pacific regional review meeting – Spring 2020	ESCAP	2020 flagship report on 'Countries with Special Needs' with special focus on LDCs
UNCTAD	Event at UNCTAD XV and side event at UNLDC-V on structural transformation	UNCTAD	2019 LDC Report on Development Finance + 2020 LDC Report Compendium of Policy Options to Achieve SDGs in LDCs Productive Capacity Index
OHRLLS/ UNU- WIDER	Academic Conference: Achieving Sustainable Development in LDCs – towards UNLDC-V		
WHO	Ministerial level event at UNLDC-V	WIPO	Studies on Intellectual Property, Science and Technology for LDCs Development
ITC	Special event at 2020 World Export Development Forum in Mongolia	UNCDF	Study on subnational finance and blended finance to unlock finance at local level to achieve SDGS
UNCDF	Thematic discussion at UNLDC-V on subnational and blended finance		