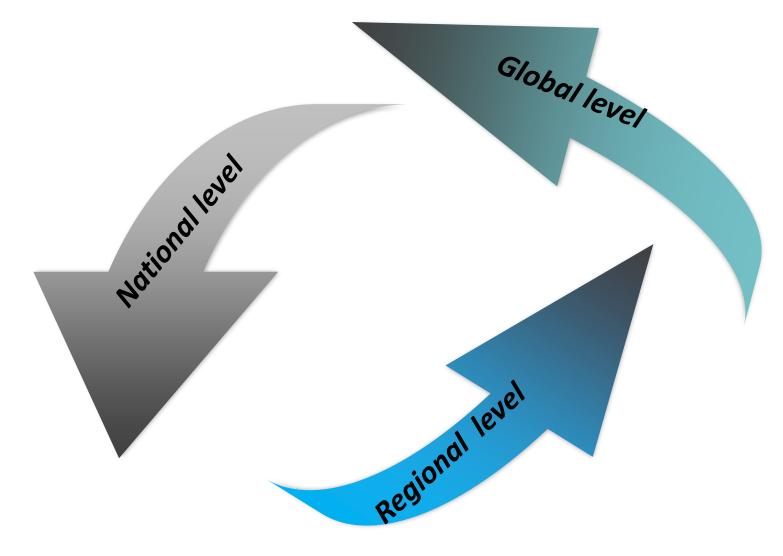
#### •Global and regional efforts to support LLDCs and facilitate the implementation of the VPoA

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#### Global, regional and national efforts implementation, monitoring and review





## **National Level**

- LLDC governments to mainstream the VPoA into their national and sectoral dev strategies
- Establish national coordinating mechanism for implementation, monitoring and review – ie. National committees.
- > Coordinate with Resident Coordinators.
- Preparations for 2024 Third UN Conference National review reports on VPoA implementation to be submitted in 2023
- > National reviews to feed into Regional and Global review.



#### **Regional Level**

- UN regional commissions to undertake periodic reviews.
- Involve regional organizations, regional development banks, regional UN organizations, private sector
- Implement relevant projects eg. connectivity and trade facilitation now included in the Roadmap
- Mid-term review at regional level undertaken in 2019 in all regions.
- Regional reviews part of 3<sup>rd</sup> UN Conf on LLDCs preparatory process



#### **Global level**

- General Assembly
  - Annual reports of the Secretary General on the implementation of VPoA.
  - General Debates in the Second Committee of the General Assembly
  - General Assembly Resolutions.
  - Dedicated session on Africa, LDC and LLDCs HLPF.
  - Midterm Review 2019
  - Third UN Conference on LLDCs 2024
- Intergovernmental processes Financing for Development; HLPF, Climate change etc
- Governing bodies of the organizations of the UN system to mainstream the implementation of the VPoA within their programmes of work.
- Private sector involvement.



#### **Global level**

- Institutionalized meetings of Trade Ministers
  - 2005: Asunción, Paraguay; 2007: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia; 2009: Ezulwini, Swaziland; 2011: 2012 Almaty, Kazakhstan; 2016 Geneva; 2018 Astana
- Institutionalized annual meeting of Foreign Ministers
- Institutionalized meetings of Ministers of Transport
  - 2016, La Paz Bolivia, 2022 Ashgabat, Turkmenistan
- Participation of LLDCs in the WTO Trade Facilitation Processes, Aid for Trade



#### **Third UN Conference on LLDCs**

- Conference will undertake a comprehensive review of the implementation of the VPoA
- Conference will be preceded, by national- and regional-level reviews, and by thematic preparations
- UN-OHRLLS upcoming activities:
  - Ministerial Transport Conference of LLDCs Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, 15-16 August 2022
  - Annual Ministerial Meeting of Foreign Ministers of Landlocked
     Developing Countries (September 2022)
  - HLPF side event on renewable energy
  - LLDC focused session during the Eighth Global Review
     of Aid for Trade



### **Implications for National Focal Points**

- Raise awareness on implementation of the VPoA at national level
- Build momentum towards the Third UN LLDC Conference in 2024 by coordinating National review and preparation of the national report on implementation of the VPoA to be submitted in 2023 to OHRLLS.
- Coordinate national participation in regional reviews and global review.
- Assist national and regional efforts to contribute to global intergovernmental processes
- Coordinate national participation in upcoming LLDC events.



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