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Opening of the session

The thirty-third session of the Board will be opened by the President of the thirty-first and thirty-second sessions, Mr. Ali Asghar Soltanieh (Iran, Islamic Republic of).

Item 1. Election of officers

In accordance with rule 23.1 of the rules of procedure, each year, at the commencement of its first regular session, the Board shall elect from among the representatives of its members a President, three Vice-Presidents and a Rapporteur. Rule 23.3 stipulates that the offices of the President, the three Vice-Presidents and the Rapporteur shall be subject to equitable geographical rotation within a five-year cycle described in appendix A to the rules of procedure. Accordingly, for the thirty-third session, the President should be elected from members of the Board among the States included in List D of Annex I to the Constitution. The three Vice-Presidents should be elected from members of the Board among the African States in List A and the States included in List B and List C, respectively. The Rapporteur should be elected from among the representatives of members of the Board among the Asian States included in List A.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda

A provisional agenda for the thirty-third session as adopted in decision IDB.32/Dec.10 is submitted to the Board for adoption in document IDB.33/1.

The Board will have before it:

- Provisional agenda (IDB.33/1)

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- Annotated provisional agenda (IDB.33/1/Add.1)
- List of documents (IDB.33/CRP.1)

Item 3. Annual report of the Director-General for 2006

In accordance with Article 11.6 of the Constitution, the Director-General is to prepare an annual report on the activities of the Organization. In its resolution GC.4/Res.2, the General Conference requested the Director-General to fully incorporate in future annual reports the programme performance report according to Board decision IDB.7/Dec.11. At the request of the Board in decision IDB.23/Dec.12, annual reports include information on operational activities for developments arising from relevant United Nations General Assembly resolutions, including the triennial comprehensive policy review. In compliance with resolution GC.10/Res.5, Member States are kept informed in the annual report of UNIDO's role in achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Thus, the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* covers information on UNIDO promoting the United Nations reform and enhancing field-level impact, the three thematic priorities, South-South cooperation, support to the least developed countries and cooperation within the United Nations system.

Article 9.4 (d) of the Constitution stipulates that the Board shall request members to furnish information on their activities related to the work of the Organization. In decision IDB.1/Dec.29, Member States were requested to inform the Board on their activities related to the work of the Organization when reviewing the annual report. Member States may wish to include this information in the oral statements delivered by their representatives under this item. Such statements would be reflected in the summary records of the Board.

The Board will have before it:

- *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* (including programme performance report) (IDB.33/2)

Item 4. Report of the Programme and Budget Committee

Article 10.4 (d) of the Constitution requires that the Programme and Budget Committee "report to the Board at each regular session on all activities of the Committee and submit advice or proposals on financial matters to the Board on its own initiative". The report of the Committee on the work of its twenty-third session will be reflected in document IDB.33/19. The following subjects and documentation, dealt with by the Committee at that session, are of relevance to the work of the Board at its current session. Annotations are contained in the annotated provisional agenda of the twenty-third session of the Committee (PBC.23/1/Add.1). At that session, the Committee recommended to the Board the adoption of a number of draft decisions, as indicated in the report of the session and under the respective subheadings below.

4 (a) Interim report of the External Auditor, including the implementation of the recommendations of the External Auditor for the biennium 2004-2005; financial performance report and programme performance report for the biennium 2006-2007;¹

- Interim report of the External Auditor (IDB.33/8)
- Interim financial performance report for the biennium 2006-2007. Submitted by the Director-General (IDB.33/9)
- *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* (including programme performance report for 2006) (IDB.33/2)

4 (b) Financial situation of UNIDO

- Conclusion 2007/6 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Financial situation of UNIDO. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/10)
- Status of assessed contributions. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.33/CRP.2)

4 (c) Scale of assessments for apportionment of the regular budget expenses for the biennium 2008-2009

- Conclusion 2007/3 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2008-2009. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.33/3)

4 (d) Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009

- Conclusion 2007/4 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2008-2009. Proposals of the Director-General (IDB.33/4)

4 (e) Accounting standards

- Conclusion 2007/5 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- International Public Sector Accounting Standards. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.33/5)

4 (f) Financial regulations

The action plan originally envisaged for the adoption of International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) foresaw the preparation of necessary amendments to the financial regulations for approval by the General Conference in 2007 (IDB.32/12, chap. V). For the reasons explained in document IDB.33/5, the updated action plan calls for the review of revised financial regulations by the governing bodies in 2008-2009. Relevant documents will therefore be submitted to the policymaking organs in the forthcoming biennium.

¹ For reasons of coherence and in order to streamline the agenda, sub-items 4 (a) and (b) of the provisional agenda as adopted in decision IDB.32/Dec.10 have been merged into one sub-item 4 (a).

4 (g) Mobilization of financial resources²

- Information on the mobilization of financial resources contained in the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* (IDB.33/2, chap. 2.C)
- Projects approved under the Industrial Development Fund, trust funds and other voluntary contributions in 2006 (PBC.23/CRP.2)

4 (h) Appointment of an External Auditor

- Candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/6 and Add.1)
- Candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor. Note by the Secretariat (PBC.23/CRP.3)

Item 5. Programme and budgets, 2008-2009

In accordance with Article 14.3 of the Constitution, the Board shall examine the proposals of the Director-General together with any recommendations of the Programme and Budget Committee and adopt the programme of work, the regular budget and the operational budget, with such modifications as it deems necessary, for submission to the Conference for consideration and approval.

The Board will have before it:

- Conclusion 2007/2 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Programme and budgets, 2008-2009. Proposals of the Director-General (IDB.33/7)

Item 6. United Nations system-wide coherence

The inclusion of this supplementary item has been proposed by the Director-General in accordance with rules 11 and 12 and in response to the interest expressed by Member States on the follow-up to the recommendations of the High-Level Panel on System-wide Coherence. The document submitted under this supplementary item is intended to provide the Board with an update on major developments relating to the follow-up process and its implications for UNIDO.

**Item 7. UNIDO's cooperation with international partner organizations,
particularly FAO, ILO and UNEP**

Cooperation with other organizations is an established feature of UNIDO activities. The examples provided in the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* will be supplemented in the following conference room paper:

- Cooperation with international partner organizations. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.33/CRP.3)

² Supplementary sub-item included in compliance with rule 11.1 and in the context of decision IDB.25/Dec.5(i) with a view to maintaining a continuous dialogue with Member States in order to actively sustain the common resource mobilization efforts.

Item 8. Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP

The implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has been the subject of discussion at recent sessions of the policymaking organs. In accordance with General Conference resolution GC.11/Res.5, an assessment of the outcome of the pilot phase was undertaken, and results and recommendations were presented to the Board at its thirty-second session (IDB.32/11, IDB.32/14). The following document will report on recent developments, including action taken to address the requests of the Board in decision IDB.32/Dec.6:

The Board will thus have before it:

- Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/16)

Item 9. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including:

- (a) **South-South cooperation;**
- (b) **Regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean;**
- (c) **UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility.**

Documentation under this item takes into account the Strategic Long-term Vision Statement (GC.11/Res.4) and the proposed medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011 (IDB.32/8 and Add.1, IDB.32/CRP.5). The documentation also supplements information contained in the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2006* (IDB.33/2, chap. 4-7) on UNIDO activities in support of South-South cooperation, and addresses Board decision IDB.31/Dec.4, in which the Director-General was requested to keep Member States informed as to progress with regard to seeking direct access to GEF in three focal areas (ref. IDB.32/13, para. 14 and IDB.32/CRP.6). Furthermore, the documentation will comprise a progress report on the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean, taking account of decision IDB.32/Dec.8.

The Board will have before it:

- Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2006-2009, including South-South cooperation, regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean and UNIDO access to the Global Environment Facility. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/17)

Item 10. Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit

In accordance with the pilot scheme of follow-up to recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit (decision IDB.24/Dec.11), the Board will have before it the following document:

- Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/15)

Item 11. Personnel matters

By decision IDB.1/Dec.18 the Board decided to accept the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) statute. The Board will be informed of any recent ICSC decisions and recommendations adopted by the General Assembly that are of relevance to UNIDO, as an organization in the United Nations common system. The documentation under this item will also contain information on personnel-related developments in UNIDO.

By decision GC.1/Dec.37 the General Conference accepted the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and established the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee. In decision GC.11/Dec.19 the Conference elected the two members and two alternate members of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee for the biennium 2006-2007. The Board may wish to recommend to the Conference at its twelfth session candidates for election to the Committee for the years 2008-2009.

The Board will have before it:

- Personnel matters. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/18)
- List of staff as of 1 June 2007. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.33/CRP.4)

Item 12. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations

Guidelines regarding relationships with the organizations mentioned in Article 19.1 of the Constitution were established by the General Conference in decision GC.1/Dec.41. In accordance with these guidelines, the Director-General shall (a) present the draft texts of agreements with other organizations of the United Nations system to the Board for its approval; (b) circulate among the members of the Board information on intergovernmental organizations that have expressed the wish to enter into agreements with UNIDO and seek the approval of the Board before concluding an appropriate relationship agreement with the organizations concerned; and (c) circulate among the members of the Board information on international and national non-governmental organizations and other organizations seeking consultative status, following which the Board shall decide whether to grant consultative status to the organizations concerned in accordance with the guidelines established by the Conference.

The Board will have before it:

- Applications from non-governmental organizations for consultative status. Note by the Director-General (IDB.33/13)
- Information on intergovernmental organizations. Note by the Director-General (IDB.33/14)

Item 13. Number and duration of sessions

At its thirty-second session the Board considered a note by the Secretariat on this subject (IDB.32/9). In the debate under that item (IDB.32/SR.4, paras. 82-91), a number of delegations requested additional information, which will be provided in the following document:

- Number and duration of sessions. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.33/11)

Item 14. Preparations for the twelfth session of the General Conference

At its eleventh session, the General Conference decided that its twelfth session shall be held in Vienna from 3 to 7 December 2007 (GC.11/Dec.22). In accordance with Article 9.4 of the Constitution, the Board shall prepare the provisional agenda for the Conference. A list of agenda items for consideration by the Conference will be included as an annex to the following document:

- Preparations for the twelfth session of the General Conference. Report by the Director-General (IDB.33/12)

Item 15. Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fourth session

In accordance with rule 10.2 of the rules of procedure, the Director-General shall submit to the Board at each regular session the provisional agenda for the following regular session. A provisional agenda will be proposed in the following conference room paper:

- Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-fourth session. Note by the Director-General (IDB.33/CRP.5)

Item 16. Adoption of the report

In accordance with rule 71, the draft report of the Board shall be prepared and submitted by the Rapporteur.