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Industrial Development Board Thirty-fifth session Vienna, 2-4 December 2008 Item 1 of the provisional agenda **Adoption of the agenda**

Annotated provisional agenda

Opening of the session

The thirty-fifth session of the Board will be opened by the President of the thirty-fourth session, Mr. H. Bazoberry Otero (Bolivia).

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda

A provisional agenda for the thirty-fifth session, based on the provisional agenda adopted in decision IDB.34/Dec.8, is submitted to the Board for adoption in document IDB.35/1.

The Board will have before it:

- Provisional agenda (IDB.35/1)
- Annotated provisional agenda (IDB.35/1/Add.1)
- List of documents (IDB.35/CRP.1)

Item 2. 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 twentyfourth session will be reflected in document IDB.35/2. 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

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provisional agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the Committee (PBC.24/1/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.

2 (a) Report of the External Auditor, financial performance report and programme performance report for the biennium 2006-2007

- Conclusion 2008/2 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Report of the External Auditor on the accounts of UNIDO for the financial period 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2007 (IDB.35/3*-PBC.24/3*)
- Financial performance report for the biennium 2006-2007. Submitted by the Director-General (IDB.35/4-PBC.24/4)
- Annual Report of UNIDO 2007 (including programme performance report for 2007) (IDB.34/2-PBC.24/2)

2 (b) Financial situation of UNIDO

- Conclusion 2008/3 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Financial situation of UNIDO. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/5-PBC.24/5)
- Financial situation of UNIDO. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.35/CRP.2)

2 (c) Accounting standards

• International Public Sector Accounting Standards. Progress report by the Secretariat (IDB.35/6-PBC.24/6)

2 (d) Mobilization of financial resources

- Conclusion 2008/4 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Mobilization of financial resources. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/7-PBC.24/7)
- Funding performance. *Annual Report of UNIDO 2007* (IDB.34/2-PBC.24/2, chapter 1.C.)
- Projects approved under the Industrial Development Fund, trust funds and other voluntary contributions in 2007 (PBC.24/CRP.2)

2 (e) Medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013

In accordance with General Conference decision GC.2/Dec.23, and as subsequently modified in decision GC.6/Dec.10, the Director-General is requested to submit to the Board in the first year of each fiscal period, through the Programme and Budget Committee, a draft medium-term programme framework for the four years that follow the current fiscal period. Furthermore, in compliance with paragraph (b) (v) (d) of the same decision, the Director-General will indicate a general ceiling for the biennium 2010-2011 based on anticipated resources and on programme activity. The Board will have before it:

- Medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013. Proposals of the Director-General (IDB.35/8-PBC.24/8)
- Medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013. Proposals of the Director-General (IDB.35/8/Add.1)

Item 3. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011

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 will also address resolution GC.12/Res.2, which requested that the MTPF, 2008-2011 take special account of the needs of the least-developed countries as well as resolution GC.12/Res.5, which requested the implementation of programmes proposed in the joint communiqué of the Mano River Union round table that took place during the twelfth session of the General Conference. Furthermore, the documentation under this item will comprise a progress report on the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean, taking into account resolution GC.12/Res.1.

The Board will have before it:

• Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/14)

Item 4. Cooperation Agreement with the United Nations Development Programme

Documentation under this item is prepared in accordance with General Conference resolution GC.11/Res.5, which requested that regular reports are submitted to the policymaking sessions outlining progress being made on the implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with the UNDP.

The Board will have before it:

• Implementation of the Cooperation Agreement with UNDP. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/11)

Item 5. Global food crisis: UNIDO's response

In decision IDB.34/Dec.6, the Board considered that the current global food crisis represents a serious and complex challenge affecting the world's poor. Accordingly, the Board requested the Director-General to prepare a report by mid-September 2008 on how UNIDO can best contribute to a system-wide solution of the global food crisis and present it at an informal meeting of Member States. In compliance with the same decision, this item is included on the agenda for the thirty-fifth session of the Board in order to hold further discussions on the issue.

The Board will have before it:

• Global food crisis: UNIDO's response. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/9)

Item 6. United Nations system-wide coherence

In decision IDB.34/Dec.7, the Board encouraged the Director-General to continue to participate actively in the ongoing discussions on United Nations system-wide coherence in line with resolution GC.12/Res.6 and to keep Member States informed thereof. The previous reports on this issue (IDB.33/CRP.6, GC.12/CRP.6 and IDB.34/7) will be updated to reflect any recent developments.

The Board will have before it:

• United Nations system-wide coherence. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/12)

Item 7. 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.

The Board will have before it:

- Personnel matters. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/13)
- List of staff as of 1 November 2008. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.35/CRP.3)

Item 8. 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.35/10)

Item 9. Conclusion of Standard Basic Cooperation Agreements between UNIDO and Member States

The inclusion of this supplementary item, as proposed by the Director-General in accordance with rules 11 and 12, is intended to provide the Board with up-to-date

information on the conclusion of basic cooperation agreements with individual Member States and to underline the importance of concluding these agreements to facilitate the implementation of technical assistance programmes of the Organization. The Board will be invited to take a decision calling upon those Member States that have not concluded the standard basic cooperation agreement to do so.

The Board will have before it:

• Conclusion of standard basic cooperation agreements between Governments and UNIDO. Note by the Director-General (IDB.35/15)

Item 10. Number and duration of sessions

The number and duration of sessions has been the subject of discussions at the thirty-second, thirty-third and thirty-fourth sessions. The Board considered two notes by the Secretariat (IDB.32/9 and IDB.33/11). The debate at the thirty-fourth session on this item is reflected in summary records IDB.34/SR.4, paragraphs 100-113 and IDB.34/SR.6, paragraph 5. No additional information was requested.

Item 11. Preparatory arrangements for the thirteenth session of the General Conference

At its resumed thirty-fourth session, in decision IDB.34/Dec.9, the Board decided that the thirteenth session of the General Conference should be held in Abuja, Nigeria, from 7 to 11 December 2009. Pursuant to this decision the Board will have before it a progress report on the preparatory arrangements for the Conference:

• Preparatory arrangements for the thirteenth session of the General Conference. Report by the Director-General (IDB.35/16)

Item 12. Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-sixth 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-sixth session. Note by the Director-General (IDB.35/CRP.4)

Item 13. Adoption of the report

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