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Item 1. Opening of the session

In accordance with rule 34 of the rules of procedure of the General Conference, the President of the twelfth session, or, in his absence, the head of the delegation from which the President of that session was elected (Morocco), will open the thirteenth session of the General Conference.

Item 2. Election of officers¹

At each regular session the Conference shall, with due regard for equitable geographical representation, elect, from among the representatives of Members, the following officers: a President and nine Vice-Presidents, as well as a Chairman for each Main Committee (rule 35). The officers elected shall constitute the General Committee.

¹ To ensure equitable geographical distribution in the election of officers and the elections to organs, account has to be taken of the latest lists of States to be included in Annex I to the Constitution. The list, as of the date of preparation of the present document, is the same as that included in document IDB.36/25. Before proceeding to the elections, as explained in paragraph 2 of that document, the General Conference will have to decide in which of the lists of States (A, B, C or D) three Member States are to be included.

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Election of the President

In accordance with rule 35 and appendix A of the rules of procedure, the President of the thirteenth session should be elected from the Asian States in List A of Annex I to the Constitution.

Election of other officers

The nine Vice-Presidents shall be elected so as to ensure the representative character of the General Committee (rule 35.3). Should the Conference decide to establish Main Committees (see item 4 below), the Conference shall also elect a Chairman for each Main Committee.

Item 3. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with Article 9.4 (g) of the Constitution, the Industrial Development Board at its thirty-sixth session adopted the provisional agenda for the thirteenth session of the General Conference, as reflected in decision IDB.36/Dec.17. The provisional agenda has been subsequently revised to include items proposed by Member States (item 17) and the Director-General (item 13) and is submitted to the Conference for approval in document GC.13/1/Rev.2.

Item 4. Organization of work

In accordance with rule 40, the officers elected shall constitute the General Committee. The General Committee shall propose to the Conference the establishment of Main Committees and of any other sessional bodies of the Conference. It shall propose to the Conference the allocation of items between the plenary, the Main Committees and any other sessional bodies (rule 42). In the past, at each regular session the Conference established a Main Committee to which all the substantive items of the agenda were referred for a more focused debate aimed at the preparation of consensus draft decisions and resolutions for submission to the plenary. The Industrial Development Board, in decision IDB.36/Dec.17, paragraph (d), recommended to the Conference that substantive items of the provisional agenda be allocated to a Main Committee.

Furthermore, in accordance with decision IDB.36/Dec.17, the President of the thirty-sixth session of the Industrial Development Board will conduct informal consultations for the preparation of the thirteenth session of the Conference. The outcome of these consultations will be brought to the attention of the Conference.

When considering the organization of work, it should be kept in mind that the budget for the Conference in the programme and budgets of UNIDO, 2008-2009, provides only for a total of five working days, comprising plenary, Main Committee and geographical group meetings. Moreover, in its decision on preparations for the General Conference (IDB.36/Dec.17) the Board agreed to hold a forum on industrial development issues within the framework of the Conference (item 9 of the provisional agenda). The draft tentative schedule for the thirteenth session of the Conference is shown in the annex to the present document.

The Conference will have before it:

- List of States included in Annex I to the Constitution of UNIDO (IDB.36/25)

- Report of the informal consultations of Permanent Missions in Vienna for the preparation of the General Conference. Submitted by the President of the thirty-sixth session of the Industrial Development Board, H.E. Mr. J. S. Ugokwe (Nigeria) (GC.13/CRP.2)

Item 5. Credentials of representatives to the Conference

As stipulated in Article 8.1 of the Constitution of UNIDO, the Conference shall consist of representatives of all Members of the Organization. Membership in the Organization is defined in Article 3 of the Constitution. In accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the Conference, the credentials of representatives and the names and titles of the other persons constituting the Member's delegation shall be submitted to the Director-General if possible not less than one week before the opening of the session which the delegation will attend. Any later change in the composition of the delegation shall also be submitted to the Director-General. The credentials of representatives shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Member concerned. A Permanent Representative to the Organization does not require special credentials if his/her letter of accreditation to the Organization specifies that he/she is authorized to represent his/her Government at sessions of the Conference, it being understood that this does not preclude that Government from accrediting another person as its representative by means of special credentials.

A Credentials Committee of nine members shall be appointed at the beginning of the Conference on the proposal of the President. Its composition shall be based on that of the Credentials Committee of the United Nations General Assembly at its sixty-fourth session, which is as follows: Brazil, China, Jamaica, Philippines, Russian Federation, Spain, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America and Zambia. The Committee shall examine the credentials of representatives and report without delay to the Conference, which shall decide any question arising (rule 28).

Item 6. Elections to organs²

(a) Industrial Development Board

In accordance with Article 9.1 of the Constitution, the Industrial Development Board shall consist of 53 Members of the Organization elected by the Conference, which shall give due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution. In electing the members of the Board, the Conference shall observe the following distribution of seats: 33 members of the Board shall be elected from the States listed in Lists A and C, 15 from the States listed in List B, and 5 from the States listed in List D of Annex I to the Constitution.

In accordance with Article 9.2 of the Constitution, "members of the Board shall hold office from the close of the regular session of the Conference at which they were elected until the close of the regular session of the Conference four years thereafter. Members of the Board may be re-elected."

At present the Board is composed of the following States: Afghanistan,* Algeria,* Austria,* Belgium,** Bolivia (Plurinational State of),* Burkina Faso,*

² See footnote 1.

China,** Colombia,** Costa Rica,** Côte d'Ivoire,* Cuba,* Czech Republic,* Ecuador,** Egypt,* Ethiopia,* France,** Germany,** Ghana,** Greece,* Guatemala,* Hungary,** India,* Iran (Islamic Republic of),* Ireland,* Italy,** Japan,** Kenya,* Libyan Arab Jamahiriya,** Luxembourg,* Mexico,** Morocco,** Nigeria,* Norway,** Pakistan,** Paraguay,* Philippines,** Poland,** Republic of Korea,** Romania,** Russian Federation,* Saudi Arabia,* South Africa,** Spain,* Sri Lanka,* Sudan,** Sweden,** Switzerland,* Syrian Arab Republic,** Thailand,* Tunisia,** Turkey,* United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,** Uruguay.*

(b) Programme and Budget Committee

In accordance with Article 10.1 of the Constitution, the Programme and Budget Committee shall consist of 27 Members of the Organization elected by the Conference, which shall give due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution. In electing the members of the Committee, the Conference shall observe the following distribution of seats: 15 members of the Committee shall be elected from the States listed in Lists A and C, 9 from the States listed in List B and 3 from the States listed in List D of Annex I to the Constitution.

In accordance with Article 10.2, “members of the Committee shall hold office from the close of the regular session of the Conference at which they were elected until the close of the regular session of the Conference two years thereafter. Members of the Committee may be re-elected.”

At its twelfth session, the Conference elected the following States to hold office until the close of the thirteenth regular session of the Conference in December 2009: Algeria, Austria, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Ecuador, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mexico, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sudan, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Item 7. Annual reports of the Director-General on the activities of the Organization for 2007 and 2008

In accordance with rule 13.1 (b), the provisional agenda for each regular session of the Conference shall include the annual reports of the Director-General on the activities of the Organization. The Conference will thus have before it the annual reports of UNIDO for 2007 and 2008, which were submitted to the Board at its thirty-fourth and thirty-sixth sessions respectively:

- *Annual Report of UNIDO 2007* (including programme performance report) (IDB.34/2)
- *Annual Report of UNIDO 2008* (including programme performance report) (IDB.36/2)

* Twenty-seven States whose term of office expires at the end of the thirteenth regular session of the General Conference, in 2009 (see decision GC.11/Dec.7 of 2 December 2005).

** Twenty-six States whose term of office expires at the end of the fourteenth regular session of the General Conference, in 2011 (see decision GC.12/Dec.7 of 7 December 2007).

Item 8. Reports of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirty-fourth, resumed thirty-fourth, thirty-fifth, and thirty-sixth regular sessions

In accordance with Article 9.4 (c) of the Constitution, the Board shall report to the Conference at each regular session on the activities of the Board. Since the closure of the twelfth session of the General Conference, the Board will have held three regular and one resumed session. The Conference will have before it the following reports of those sessions:

- Report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirty-fourth session, 14-16 May 2008 (GC.13/2)
- Report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its resumed thirty-fourth session, 2 September 2008 (GC.13/2/Add.1)
- Report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirty-fifth session, 2-3 December 2008 (GC.13/3)
- Report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirty-sixth session, 23-26 June 2009 (GC.13/4)

Item 9. Forum on industrial development issues

At its thirty-sixth session, the Board adopted decision IDB.36/Dec.17 on preparations for the thirteenth session of the General Conference. In paragraph (c) of that decision, the Board agreed to hold a forum within the framework of the Conference. Participants will be advised in due course on arrangements for the forum.

The Conference will have before it:

- Forum on industrial development issues. Issues paper by the Secretariat (GC.13/9)

Item 10. Financial matters

(a) Scale of assessments of Member States

In accordance with rule 13.1 (k) of the rules of procedure of the Conference, the provisional agenda for each regular session shall include recommendations of the Board for the establishment of the scale of assessments. Article 15 of the Constitution stipulates that regular budget expenditures shall be borne by the Members, as apportioned in accordance with a scale of assessments established by the Conference by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, upon the recommendation of the Board.

The Conference will have before it:

- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.7 on scale of assessments
- Scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2010-2011. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.36/3)

(b) Financial situation of UNIDO

Rule 13.1 (l) states that the provisional agenda shall include financial matters requiring action by the Conference or that should be brought to its attention. Information brought to the attention of the Conference under this item will include the status of payment of assessed contributions.

Information on the activities of the Industrial Development Fund is included in the annual reports of the Organization for 2007 and 2008 and in document IDB.36/5 on the financial situation of UNIDO.

The Conference will have before it:

- Financial situation of UNIDO. Report by the Director-General (GC.13/12)
- Status of assessed contributions. Note by the Secretariat (GC.13/CRP.3)

(c) Working Capital Fund

In accordance with financial regulation 5.4, upon recommendation of the Programme and Budget Committee and subsequently the Board, the Conference shall determine the amount and purposes of the Working Capital Fund. Financial regulation 5.5 (d) stipulates that advances to the Working Capital Fund shall be assessed and paid in euros.

At its twelfth session, the Conference in its decision GC.12/Dec.13 decided that for the 2008-2009 biennium the level of the Working Capital Fund and the authorized purposes of the Fund should remain the same as for the previous bienniums (see decision GC.2/Dec.27).

The Conference will have to take action on the recommendations of the Board concerning the level and purposes of the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2010-2011, based on consideration of document IDB.36/4. Thus, the Conference will have before it:

- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.8 on the Working Capital Fund

(d) Accounting standards

At its twelfth session, the General Conference decided that UNIDO adopt the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS), effective 1 January 2010, as part of the United Nations system-wide adoption of those Standards (GC.12/Dec.14).

At its thirty-sixth session, the Board took note of the progress report by the Secretariat on IPSAS (IDB.36/6). That information will be updated in the following document:

- International Public Sector Accounting Standards. Progress report by the Secretariat (GC.13/10)

(e) Financial regulations

Initial changes to the Financial Regulations of UNIDO, arising as a consequence of the adoption of IPSAS, were presented to the thirty-sixth session of

the Board in a note by the Secretariat on financial regulations of UNIDO (IDB.36/11).

The Conference will have to take action on the recommendation of the Board concerning the adoption of interim amendments to the financial regulations, based on consideration of document IDB.36/11. Thus, the Conference will have before it:

- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.9 on the financial regulations

(f) Appointment of an External Auditor

In accordance with financial regulation 11.1, an External Auditor, who shall be Auditor-General (or an officer exercising an equivalent function) of a Member State, shall be appointed in the manner and for the period decided by the Conference. By decision GC.12/Dec.15 the Conference decided to appoint the Auditor General of Pakistan as the External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years, from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2010.

The Conference will have to take action on the recommendation of the Board to extend the current appointment of the Auditor General of Pakistan for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2012, based on documents IDB.36/10, Add.1 and Add.2. Thus, the Conference will have before it:

- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.10 on the appointment of an External Auditor

Item 11. Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011, including: (a) Regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean; (b) Regional programme for Africa; (c) Arab regional programme; and (d) Other regional programmes

The proposals of the Director-General for the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011, were presented to the thirty-second session of the Board (IDB.32/8 and Add.1, IDB.32/CRP.5). At its thirty-sixth session, the Board took note of the information contained in the report on the implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011, including regional programmes (GC.13/5). That information will be updated and also include latest developments on action taken in pursuance of decision IDB.36/Dec.3 on the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean. Thus, the Conference will have before it:

- Implementation of the medium-term programme framework, 2008-2011. Report by the Director-General (GC.13/5 and Add.1)

Item 12. Medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013

Pursuant to General Conference decisions GC.2/Dec.23 and GC.6/Dec.10, the Director-General submitted to the Board in the first year of the fiscal period 2008-2009, through the Programme and Budget Committee, comprehensive proposals for a medium-term programme framework for the years 2010-2013 (IDB.35/8 and Add.1).

The Conference will have to take action on the recommendation of the Board concerning the medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013. Thus, the Conference will have before it:

- Medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013. Comprehensive proposals of the Director-General (IDB.35/8 and Add.1)
- Board decision IDB.35/Dec.5 on the medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013

Item 13. UNIDO major conferences

In accordance with rules 14 and 16, the Director-General proposed the inclusion of this supplementary item in order to provide additional information on UNIDO major conferences and the outcomes of these events, particularly as they relate to the Organization's thematic priorities.

The Conference will have before it:

- UNIDO major conferences. Report prepared by the Secretariat (GC.13/13)

Item 14. Programme and budgets, 2010-2011

In accordance with Article 14.4 of the Constitution, the Conference shall consider and approve the programme of work and the corresponding regular budget and operational budget submitted to it by the Board, by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting. At its thirty-sixth session, the Board considered the proposals of the Director-General (IDB.36/7), a note by the Director-General on unutilized balances of appropriations (IDB.36/12 and Add.1), conclusions 2009/3 and 2009/4 of the Programme and Budget Committee, as well as the report of H.E. Mr. Shahbaz (Pakistan), Vice-Chairman of the Programme and Budget Committee on the implementation of conclusion 2009/3 on the unutilized balances of appropriations (IDB.36/26). The Board adopted decision IDB.36/Dec.11 pertaining to the programme and budgets, 2010-2011.

With regard to the unutilized balances of appropriations, the Board adopted decision IDB.36/Dec.12, which inter alia requested the Director-General to provide Member States with a revised proposal on the return or use of the remaining amount of unutilized balances, and to carry out a feasibility study which considers the expected impact of the change management initiative on the overall cost efficiency of the Organization. Furthermore, H.E. Mr. Shahbaz, Vice-Chairman of the Programme and Budget Committee, was entrusted to continue the open-ended informal consultations on possible ways of dealing with the remaining amount of unutilized balances due to Member States in 2010. In line with a recommendation of the Enlarged Bureau of the Industrial Development Board which met on 31 August 2009, Austria accepted chairing these informal consultations after H.E. Mr. Shahbaz completed his term of office on 27 August 2009.

The Conference will thus have before it:

- Programme and budgets, 2010-2011. Proposals of the Director-General (IDB.36/7)
- Unutilized balances of appropriations. Note by the Director-General (IDB.36/12 and Add.1)
- Unutilized balances of appropriations. Report by the Director-General (GC.13/8 and Add.1)

- Implementation of decision IDB.36/Dec.12 on the unutilized balances of appropriations. Report of the Vice-President of the Industrial Development Board (H.E. Mr. H. Boeck, Austria). (GC.13/17)
- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.11 on the programme and budgets, 2010-2011
- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.12 on the unutilized balances of appropriations

Item 15. Cooperation agreement with the United Nations Development Programme

In decision IDB.32/Dec.6 (d) (vi), the Director-General was requested to present a fully-fledged independent evaluation of the cooperation agreement with UNDP to Member States for their consideration. At the thirty-sixth session of the Board, a proposal by the Director-General that consideration of this item be taken up at the thirteenth session of the Conference was endorsed.

Thus, the Conference will have before it:

- Cooperation agreement with the United Nations Development Programme. Executive summary of the joint terminal evaluation (GC.13/6)
- Joint management response to the joint terminal evaluation of the cooperation agreement with the United Nations Development Programme. Note by the Director-General (GC.13/7)
- Joint terminal evaluation of the implementation of the cooperation agreement between the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the United Nations Development Programme (GC.13/CRP.1)

Item 16. UNIDO activities in agro-related industries and agribusiness

In decision IDB.36/Dec.16, the Board requested that informal consultations on UNIDO's activities in agro-related industries and agribusiness be conducted by the President in cooperation with the Secretariat with a view to facilitating an in-depth discussion of the subject at the thirteenth session of the General Conference. Furthermore, the Board requested that substantive information be presented in due time for informal consultations, paving the way for constructive result-oriented deliberations, for possible decisions and recommendations on the role of the agro-industry sectors for the thirteenth session of the General Conference.

The Conference will thus have before it:

- UNIDO's activities in agro-related industries and agribusiness. Note by the Secretariat (GC.13/14)
- Implementation of decision IDB.36/Dec.16 on UNIDO's activities in agro-related industries and agribusiness. Report of the President of the Board (H.E. Mr. J. S. Ugokwe, Nigeria). (GC.13/16)
- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.16 on UNIDO's activities in agro-related industries and agribusiness

Item 17. UNIDO activities in the field of energy and environment

The inclusion of this item has been proposed by the European Union and the Group of 77 and China in communications dated 8 and 9 October 2009 in accordance with rules 14 and 15. The proposal is supported by the following statement:

“1. Energy and environment is one of the three main pillars of UNIDO’s mandate. In the last few years, UNIDO has developed several programmes in the field of renewable energy, energy efficiency and environment, and is organizing three international Conferences on energy in only six months in 2009. Despite UNIDO’s increased attention to this sector and the importance of the matter for international cooperation, energy has never been on the agenda of any of UNIDO’s policymaking organs. Therefore, it would be useful to have an in-depth discussion among all Member States and with the Secretariat on the strategic role of UNIDO in the field of energy efficiency and renewable energy for sustainable development during the thirteenth session of the General Conference.

2. We thus kindly request the Secretariat to add to the agenda of the upcoming UNIDO General Conference the item ‘UNIDO activities in the field of energy and environment’.”

Item 18. UNIDO Staff Pension Committee

The Conference will have to take action on the recommendation of the Board (IDB.36/Dec.14) concerning candidates for election to the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee for the years 2010 and 2011 as well as any developments that have occurred since the adoption of that decision. The Conference may also wish to authorize the Board to proceed with the election for any Committee posts that might become vacant before the Conference holds its fourteenth session.

The Conference will have before it:

- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.14 on personnel matters

Item 19. New social security agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria

In decision IDB.36/Dec.15, the Board recommended that the General Conference approve the new social security agreement with the Republic of Austria, as contained in the annex to document IDB.36/20 and authorize the Director-General to bring the new agreement into force. The Conference will thus have before it:

- New social security agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria. Report by the Director-General (IDB.36/20)
- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.15 on the new social security agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria

Item 20. Modification of Headquarters Agreement incorporating a new conference facility (M-building)³

The General Conference at its sixth session approved the Headquarters Agreement between UNIDO and the Republic of Austria (decision GC.6/Dec.20 refers). Information will be provided on the modification of the Headquarters Agreement incorporating the new conference facility (M-building) and the conclusion of an exchange of letters or an agreement between UNIDO and the Government of Austria.

The Conference will have before it:

- Modification of the Headquarters Agreement incorporating the new conference facility (M-building). Note by the Secretariat (GC.13/15)

Item 21. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations

In accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Conference, the provisional agenda for each regular session shall include reports from specialized and related agencies and from other intergovernmental organizations with which UNIDO has concluded a relationship agreement pursuant to Article 19.1 (a) of the Constitution, and items proposed by them, where the agreement establishing the relationship with the organization concerned so provides.

In the guidelines for the relationship of UNIDO with intergovernmental, governmental, non-governmental and other organizations adopted by the General Conference at its first session (GC.1/Dec.41, annex), it is stipulated that the Director-General shall report to the Conference at each regular session on any agreements with intergovernmental and governmental organizations entered into by him on behalf of the Organization since the preceding regular session as well as on any consultative relations established with non-governmental organizations in the same period.

Furthermore, the Secretariat will present a review of the status of cooperation between UNIDO and the various intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations which have been granted consultative status with the Organization.

The Conference will thus have before it:

- Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations. Note by the Director-General (GC.13/11)

Item 22. Appointment of the Director-General

In accordance with Article 11.2 of the Constitution, the Director-General shall be appointed by the Conference upon recommendation of the Board for a period of four years. Rule 103.4 of the rules of procedure of the Conference stipulates that the Conference shall also consider a draft contract, submitted to it at the same time by the Board for approval, establishing the terms and conditions of appointment of the

³ Subject to Austria's timely submission of a revised map of the Headquarters seat and conclusion of an exchange of letters or an agreement between UNIDO and the Government of Austria.

Director-General, including his salary and other emoluments attached to the office. When approved by the Conference, the contract of the appointment shall be signed by the new Director-General and by the President of the Conference, acting in the name of the Organization.

The procedure to be followed by the Conference for the appointment of the Director-General is contained in rule 104.

At its thirty-sixth session, the Board decided to recommend to the Conference the appointment of Mr. Kandeh K. Yumkella as Director-General of UNIDO for a period of four years from the eighth day of December 2009 or until the Director-General to be appointed at the fifteenth regular session of the General Conference assumes office, whichever is later.

The Conference will have before it:

- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.4 on the recommendation of a candidate for the post of Director-General
- Board decision IDB.36/Dec.5 on the terms and conditions of appointment of the Director-General

Item 23. Date and place of the fourteenth session

Article 8.2 (a) of the Constitution stipulates that the Conference shall hold a regular session every two years, unless it decides otherwise. In the programme and budget proposals of the Director-General for 2010-2011, provisions have been made to hold the fourteenth session of the General Conference for a duration of five working days. The dates of 28 November to 2 December 2011 have been scheduled tentatively for the fourteenth session of the Conference in Vienna.

Item 24. Closure of the session

Annex

Proposed tentative schedule of work General Conference, thirteenth session, 7-11 December 2009

PROPOSED TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF WORK				
<i>Monday, 7 December</i>	<i>Tuesday, 8 December</i>	<i>Wednesday, 9 December</i>	<i>Thursday, 10 December</i>	<i>Friday, 11 December</i>
<p>1st plenary meeting <u>10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.</u></p> <p>Opening of the session</p> <p>Statements by Heads of State and Government</p> <p>Opening of General Debate</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>9 a.m.</u></p> <p>General Committee</p> <p>3rd plenary meeting General debate <u>10 – 11 a.m.</u></p> <p>Main Committee - 1st meeting <u>10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</u></p> <p>Forum (Part II) Global Economic Recovery: Seizing Opportunities for Greening Industries <u>11 a.m. – 1 p.m.</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>9.15 – 10.15 a.m.</u></p> <p>Credentials Committee (tentative)</p> <p>5th plenary meeting General debate <u>10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</u></p> <p>Main Committee - 3rd meeting <u>10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</u></p> <p>Round Table (EUR/NIS) Sustainability Standards: Hurdles or Opportunities? <u>11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.</u></p>	<p>7th plenary meeting <u>10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Credentials of representatives to the Conference (item 5) • Appointment of an External Auditor (item 10 (f)) <p>Main Committee - 5th meeting <u>10 a.m. – 1 p.m.</u></p>	<p>9th plenary meeting <u>10 a.m. – 2 p.m.</u></p> <p>Consideration and adoption of decisions and resolutions</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p> <p>2nd plenary meeting General debate <u>3 – 4:30 p.m.</u></p> <p>Forum (Part I) Global Economic Slowdown: the Impact on Manufacturing <u>4:30 – 6:30 p.m.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">7 – 8:30 p.m. Reception hosted by Director-General</p>	<p>4th plenary meeting General debate <u>3 – 7 p.m.</u></p> <p>Main Committee - 2nd meeting <u>3 – 6 p.m.</u></p> <p>Round Table (AFR) Towards Sustainable Bio-fuels Industries in Africa <u>3 – 4:30 p.m.</u></p> <p>Round Table (ASP) Is Green Industry the Next Engine of Growth for Asia and the Pacific? <u>5 – 6:30 p.m.</u></p>	<p>6th plenary meeting General debate <u>3 – 6 p.m.</u></p> <p>Main Committee - 4th meeting <u>3 – 6 p.m.</u></p> <p>Round Table (ARB) Investing in and Financing Green Business <u>3 – 4:30 p.m.</u></p> <p>Round Table (LAC) Promoting Renewable Energy in Latin America and the Caribbean <u>5 – 6:30 p.m.</u></p>	<p>8th plenary meeting General debate <u>3 – 6 p.m.</u></p> <p>Main Committee - 6th meeting <u>3 – 6 p.m.</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p>