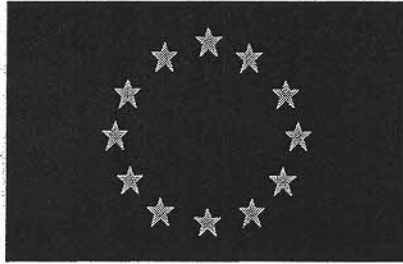


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European Union

**Opening Statement on the occasion of the
15th Session of the General Conference
Lima, 2-6 December 2013**

Thank you, Mr Chairman/Madam Chair/Mr President, Secretary General of the United Nations, Director General of UNIDO, Excellences, Distinguished Guests,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the European Union. The following countries align themselves with this declaration: Turkey[§], the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia,¹ Montenegro*, Serbia*, Albania*, Bosnia and Herzegovina*, Norway⁺, Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Armenia.

Mr Chairman/Madam Chair/ Mr President,

The European Union welcomes the adoption of Lima Declaration, which, we are convinced, will prepare UNIDO to act in a new paradigm of development.

While we believe that in the future, poverty eradication and sustainable development will remain central and should be addressed

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through integrated and innovative approaches in the context of the post-2015 development agenda,

we also believe that inclusive and sustainable development, the main concept of the declaration, on which we have just agreed, will be appropriately considered and will gain its proper relevance.

In this regard, the European Union is prepared to continue its cooperation with UNIDO for inclusive and sustainable industrial development with a view to encourage Governments, the private sector and civil society to implement policies that combine wealth, job creation and environment sustainability in the framework of the "Agenda for change",

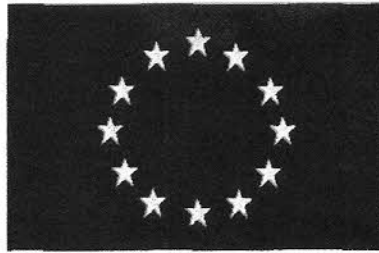
in particular in the areas of inclusive and sustainable growth for human development, business environment, regional integration as well as the world market and sustainable agribusiness and sustainable industry related energy.

Mr. Chairman,

We appreciate efforts of H. E. Mr. Antonio Garcia Revilla and the delegates of all Member States, whose work contributed to the elaboration of the document.

Concluding I would like to say that we hope very much that inclusive and sustainable industrial development will help lift people and nations from poverty and give them a decent life in dignity.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman



European Union

Agenda item: "Adoption of the Lima Declaration", Monday, 2 December 2013.

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Director General of UNIDO, Excellencies, Distinguished Guests,

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Madam President,

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While we believe that, in the future, poverty eradication and sustainable development will remain central and should be addressed through integrated and innovative approaches in the context of the post-2015 development agenda, we also believe that inclusive and sustainable development, the main concept of the declaration, on which we have just agreed, will be appropriately considered and will gain its proper relevance.

In this regard, the European Union is prepared to continue its cooperation with UNIDO for inclusive and sustainable industrial development with a view to encourage Governments, the private sector and civil society to implement policies that combine wealth, job creation and environment sustainability in the framework of the "Agenda for change", particularly in the areas of inclusive and sustainable growth for human development, business environment, regional integration as well as the world market, sustainable agribusiness and sustainable industry related energy.

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Thank you, Mr. Chairman/Madam Chair,

1. I have the honour to speak on behalf of the European Union.

The following countries align themselves with this declaration:

Turkey, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia,
Montenegro, Serbia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina,
Norway, Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Armenia.

Mr. Chairman,

2. Let me offer some comments regarding
UNIDO activities related to energy and environment
as well as UNIDO activities related to agribusiness,
trade capacity building and job creation.

As already mentioned,

the EU and UNIDO cooperate extensively in many fields.

3. Our cooperation contributed to help more than 70 countries
from Africa and the Caribbean as well as Asia and Eastern Europe
to create jobs for their people through SME development,
improve the quality of their products,
enhance their food safety standards,
participate in international trade
and protect their environment
through more sustainable industrial activities.

The EU supported with more than 100 million Euros

These programmes in the last eight years.

4. EU and UNIDO identified several areas of particular interest for future cooperation and these are:

promoting sustainable patterns of production and consumption i.e. patterns that are resource and energy efficient,

low-carbon and low waste, non-polluting and safe, and

which produce products that are responsibly managed throughout their lifecycle;

greening existing industries

by improving their resource productivity

and environmental performance;

creating green businesses that deliver environmental goods

and services, including, for example,

waste management and recycling services,

renewable energy technologies,

and environmental analytical and advisory services;

mainstreaming the use of renewable energy

in industrial applications, in particular in small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs),

increasing their competitiveness and

reduce dependence on fossil fuels;

creating business development opportunities

through increasing access to energy

through mini-grids by promoting renewable energy technologies;

facilitating the strengthening of agro-industrial capabilities and

linkages that improve opportunities for added value

and serve as effective means of achieving

economic transformation and sustainable livelihoods.

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**5. In this context,
we recall the relevance and importance of UNIDO
in fields such as trade capacity building,
standards implementation,
development of the private sector, including institution building,
development of national and regional industry strategies and policies
as well as development of value chains,
in particular for innovative branches and those with high impact
on environmentally sound processes
and product management in industries,
on energy efficiency and industry related renewable energy and
on fighting poverty.**

**6. We are committed
to inclusive and sustainable growth for human development,
to promote a social and green economy
that can generate inclusive growth,
create decent jobs and help reduce poverty
by valuing and investing in natural capital,
including through supporting cleaner technologies,
energy and resource efficiency, low-carbon development
while stimulating innovation respecting core labour standards,
the use of ICT and supporting Corporate Social Responsibility.**

7. We are committed to promote sustainable agribusiness and sustainable industry related energy, locally-developed good practices and to focus on smallholder agriculture and rural livelihoods, to help form producer groups and to support development of the supply and marketing chain, as well as to assist government efforts to facilitate responsible private investment.

We are, likewise, committed to facilitate access to low carbon technologies and to secure affordable, clean and sustainable energy services.

8. Our dialogue and cooperation continue in thematic and geographical areas such as building the capacity of ACP countries to add value to their mining products, strengthening innovative and creative industries and supporting cleaner industrial production in South Mediterranean countries, as well as improving sustainable production and consumption in six countries of Eastern Europe.

In addition, EU-UNIDO joint advocacy has helped mobilize international partners and stakeholders towards major priorities such as "Sustainable Energy for All", "Agribusiness in Africa" and "Productive Youth Employment in the Mediterranean".



9. The EU and UNIDO's relevant services in the headquarters as well as in the field will continue their dialogue through workshops, technical meetings, conferences, dialogue in the field with developing countries and regional integration organizations, publications, invitation to related respective events and meetings and any other means that would help the EU and UNIDO in achieving their respective objectives on the basis of partners' ownership.

10. We are committed to work together to increase access to sustainable industry related energy as a key component for the eradication of poverty and economic development in cooperation with other actors in this field.

11. We would like to reiterate our commitment to cooperation with UNIDO and our interest in the continued dialogue with the Organisation.

I thank you, Mr Chairman.



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Opening Statement on the occasion of the 15th Session of the General Conference Lima, 2-6 December 2013

Agenda item 15 and 16: "UNIDO activities related to energy and environment" and "UNIDO activities related to agribusiness, trade capacity building and job creation".

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of renewable energy in industrial applications, in particular in small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), to increase their competitiveness and reduce dependence on fossil fuels; creating business development opportunities through increasing access to energy through mini-grids by promoting renewable energy technologies; facilitating the strengthening of agro-industrial capabilities and linkages that improve opportunities for added value and serve as effective means of achieving economic transformation and sustainable livelihoods.

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