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SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 3 December 2015

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	**7th Plenary meeting**	**Plenary Hall** (first floor)
	Credentials of representatives to the Conference	
	General debate Items 7 to 23 (*continued*)	
1-2.30 p.m.	Side event: Sustainable industrialization for climate action	**Press Room** (ground floor)
3-4 p.m.	**8th Plenary meeting** Consideration and adoption of decisions and resolutions	**Plenary Hall** (first floor)

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS
Wednesday, 2 December 2015

5th PLENARY MEETING

General debate Items 7 to 23 (*continued*)

With the President in the Chair, statements were made by representatives of Chile (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Qatar; Japan; Germany; Philippines; Republic of Korea; Tunisia; Chile; Italy; Turkey; Jordan; Costa Rica; South Africa; India; Armenia; Hungary; Tajikistan; Poland; Switzerland; Kenya; and El Salvador.

Youth and women entrepreneurship

A side event entitled "Youth and women entrepreneurship" took place during the lunch break. It featured entrepreneurs who had directly benefited from UNIDO programmes: Ms. Sinda Soussaia from Tunisia; Mr. Julius Mugisha from Rwanda; Mr. Melvin Archbold from Nicaragua; Ms. Maw Maw Aung from Myanmar; Ms. Yordanos Goushe Girmay from Ethiopia; and Ms. Luiza Nalbandyan from Armenia. This was followed by a discussion by a panel consisting of: Ms. Ellen Pratt, Deputy Minister for Industry of Liberia; Mr. Raimund Magis, Deputy Director, Multilateral Development Cooperation, Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of Austria; Ms. Delphine Borione, Deputy Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean; Mr. Mohammad Naciri, Regional Director for Arab States Region of UNWOMEN; and Ms. Janne Vangen Solheim, Chief Executive Officer Janusfabrikken AS of Norway and newly appointed UNIDO Goodwill Ambassador. The moderator of the event was Ms. Selma Prodanovic, speaker, entrepreneur, philanthropist, and advisor.

6th PLENARY MEETING

Launch of the Industrial Development Report 2016

An introduction was made by the journalist Mr. Todd Benjamin, the event's moderator.

Mr. Augusto Luis Alcorta, Director of the Research, Statistics and Industrial Policy Branch of UNIDO delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the Industrial Development Report of 2016.

Panellists: Ms. Xiaolan Fu, Founding Director of the Technology and Management Centre for Development (TMCD), Professor of Technology and International Development and Fellow of Green Templeton College at the University of Oxford, United Kingdom; Mr. Dirk Willem te Velde, Head of the International Economic Development Group at the Overseas Development Institute, a world leading international development think tank based in London, United Kingdom; and Mr. Michael Landesmann, Scientific Director of the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies and Professor of Economics at the Johannes Kepler University in Linz, Austria.

General debate Items 7 to 23 (*continued*)

With the President in the Chair, statements were made by representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Algeria; Norway; Kuwait; Kazakhstan; Pakistan; Spain; Ecuador; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Nigeria; Indonesia; South Africa presenting the report of the Multilateral Diplomatic Committee; Romania; and Argentina.

External Launch of the Industrial Development Report 2016

An external event launching the Industrial Development Report 2016 took place at the Austrian Development Bank, Vienna.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transparency Initiative: Launch of the Open Data Platform for all programmes and projects at a glance

As part of the Transparency Initiative, the new Open Data Platform, which presents all programmes and projects at a glance, will be available to external stakeholders as of 30 November 2015. The Platform displays an interactive world map with details of ongoing programmes and projects – including outcomes and outputs, timelines, financial information, gender equality information, project documents as well as country statistics, donor information and more.

The Open Data Platform has been designed to display data directly from the enterprise resource planning (ERP) system and is updated on a regular basis. It serves as a central user-friendly access point to enable better monitoring and reporting for all stakeholders.

The Platform has already been demonstrated to the Member States and donors at previous occasions and tested by the Transparency Initiative Liaison Group of Member States prior to its launch. In 2016, UNIDO will continue to extend and improve the scope, quantity, and quality of the information available.

Delegates are invited to visit the two exhibition areas located on the first and second floors in M01 and M02 to receive live demonstrations and learn more about UNIDO's Transparency Initiative.

UNIDO mobile application

As part of its continuing efforts to increase the seamless transmission of up-to-date information to its Member States, UNIDO is proud to launch the new UNIDO mobile application at this session of the General Conference. Available on both i-Phones and Android, the UNIDO mobile application makes navigating the sixteenth session of the UNIDO General Conference easy and intuitive.

Delegates are invited to visit the exhibition area located in M0E, opposite the Cybercafé, to learn more about the UNIDO mobile application. Delegates are also encouraged to participate in the online survey contained in the application.

Cybercafé

A cybercafé will be available on the ground floor of the M-building with desktop computers connected to the internet.

Conference coverage on Internet

In line with the paperless nature of the UNIDO General Conference, all official documents have been published on the UNIDO website (www.unido.org/gc/16) and can also be easily accessed through the UNIDO mobile application. In accordance with Board decision IDB.41/Dec.12 (l), summary records are not provided for this session. However, digital recordings of the public meetings of the Conference are available through the UNIDO Extranet (www.unido.org/extranet) and the VIC Online Services at: http://myconference.unov.org.

The VIC Online Services will also allow participants convenient access to documentation and information for participants regarding facilities and services available in the VIC. The application can be accessed from participants' mobile devices such as smart phones and tablet PCs at the following address: http://myconference.unov.org