

Agenda Item 5: UNIDO and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the implementation of the Lima Declaration

Madame President,

The Asia-Pacific Group is pleased to note the alignment of UNIDO's medium-term programme framework (MTPF) 2016-2019, which was adopted during the 16th General Conference last year, with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The Group also notes that, as underlined in the Lima Declaration of 2013, UNIDO has recognized the importance of leveraging the power of partnerships with the public sector, private sector, development finance institutions, and international organizations in meeting the Sustainable Development Goals. In this context, the Group notes that implementation of UNIDO's Programme for Country Partnership or PCP has begun in Ethiopia and Senegal, and that implementation is also underway in Peru.

The Group calls on the Secretariat to inform the Member States on a regular basis regarding any progress achieved made during the pilot implementation of the PCP. The Group stresses that the PCP should not substitute but rather complement the existing modalities of TC delivery.

The Group also calls on the Organization to continue strengthening existing partnership mechanisms such as South-South, North-South, and triangular cooperation and enhancing partnerships with the private sector, civil society, development finance institutions, and multilateral funds to increase its impact in relevant areas.

With these comments, the Asia-Pacific Group takes note of the Director-General's report contained in IDB.44/12.

Thank you Madame President.