



Promoting Inclusive Growth in the LDCs through Improved Global Governance

Expert Group Meeting

OECD Development Centre, 46 Quai Alphonse le Gallo

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Programme Schedule

| Time | Session | Panel Members |
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| 8:45-9:15 | Welcome Coffee/Tea | |
| 9:15-9:45 | Scene setting Background, context, objectives, process outputs and outcomes | Chair: Federico Bonaglia, OECD Development Centre Speaker: Debapriya Bhattacharya, CPD Open floor discussion Concluding remarks by the Chair |
| 9:45-11:15 | Session 1. Examination of structural transformation and diversification in LDCs To evaluate the progress made by individual LDCs since the adoption of the IPoA, in terms of attainment of structural transformation and inclusive economic growth in the economies. The variables against which progress will be tested may include economic growth, macroeconomic stability, composition and diversification of the GDP, investment, productive capacities, productivity trends, development of infrastructure, diversification of export basket, technology content of exports, energy content, structure of employment, formal – informal employment composition, skills enhancement, poverty and income distribution. To examine the impact of slow global economic recovery, falling commodity prices and other global developments, and consequent implications for LDC economies. | Chair: Mustafizur Rahman, CPD Speaker: Jodie Keane, ComSec Discussants: 1. Mehmet Arda, EDAM 2. Christophe Bellmann, ICTSD 3. Alassane Drabo, FERDI Open floor discussion Concluding remarks by the Chair |
| 11:15-12:45 | Session 2. Graduation status and prospect of LDCs To identify LDCs which were on course towards graduation by 2020 and LDCs lagging behind in graduation; what has worked and what has not; examine the alignment of the graduation strategies with the reduction of structural handicaps in these countries and identify policy interventions which will be needed to allow graduation by 2020 for graduating LDCs. To anticipate factors to be kept in mind and addressed, if the graduation is to be sustainable. To propose initiatives to help LDCs lagging behind in graduation to stay on course for graduation. | Chair: Tausi Kida, ESRF Speaker: Alassane Drabo, FERDI and Patrick Guillaumont, FERDI Discussants: 1. Ratnakar Adhikari, EIF 2. Jodie Keane, ComSec 3. Hoseana Bohela Lunogelo, ESRF Open floor discussion Concluding remarks by the Chair |
| 12:45-14:00 | Lunch break – Cafeteria (ground floor) | |

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| 14:00-15:30 | <p>Session 3. Implications of 2030 Agenda and AAAAA for IPoA</p> <p>To examine the comparative situation of LDCs in view of 2030 agenda and AAAAA. Given the commitments under SDGs, LDCs will have to set individual country-level priorities for implementation; not all LDCs are on the same plane regarding benchmark and progression towards SDG implementation. Institutional strengthening, capacity development and awareness building will be crucial. Global partnership and commitments in areas such as finance, trade, technology transfer etc. will also play key role in achieving SDGs. To review the delivery of global commitments towards LDCs, particularly in light of IPoA, with regard to attainment of SDGs.</p> | <p>Chair: Christophe Bellmann, ICTSD Speaker: Mustafizur Rahman, CPD Discussants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rorden Wilkinson, University of Sussex 2. Tausi Kida, ESRF 3. Suzanne Steensen (OECD/DCD) <p>Open floor discussion Concluding remarks by the Chair</p> |
| 16:00-17:30 | <p>Session 4. Understanding emerging (and new) global challenges on LDCs</p> <p>To identify emerging and new challenges for LDCs. Concerns as regards how existing challenges such as climate change and new challenges in the forms of migration and refugee crisis are going to influence the development paradigm in LDCs are of great concern. This is particularly important from the perspective of concessional financial flows to LDCs. With emerging and new challenges, LDCs, are at risk of receiving lower ODA and other support. Whether and how far that will have implications for LDCs' graduation are among the issues to be examined.</p> | <p>Chair: Patrick Guillaumont, FERDI Speaker: Carl Dahlman, OECD Development Centre Discussants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rorden Wilkinson, University of Sussex 2. Hoseana Bohela Lunogelo, ESRF 3. Alassane Drabo, FERDI <p>Open floor discussion Concluding remarks by the Chair</p> |
| 17:30-18:00 | <p>Wrap up discussion</p> <p>Responsibilities and timeline of deliverables</p> | <p>Chair: Federico Bonaglia, OECD Development Centre Speaker:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jodie Keane, ComSec 2. Rorden Wilkinson, University of Sussex 3. Debapriya Bhattacharya, CPD <p>Open floor discussion Concluding remarks by the Chair and Host Federico Bonaglia, OECD Development Centre</p> |
| 18:30 | Dinner* | |

*Dinner for those staying for the night in Paris. Please inform your availability to Keiko Alvarez (keikoalvarez@oecd.org).