



Tracking Progress and Accelerating Transformation **Side-event at Midterm Review of IPoA**

Venue: Adriatic II, Hotel Titanic Deluxe Belek, Antalya, Turkey

Time & Date: 1:15-2:45pm on Sunday, 29 May 2016

Context

Five years into the implementation of the special programme titled Istanbul Programme of Action (IPoA), adopted at the Fourth UN Conference for the least developed countries (UN LDC IV) in 2011, the international development community is getting together in Antalya, Turkey on 27-29 May 2016 for the MTR in order to evaluate the state of delivery of the programme and its implications for the next five years. The *LDC IV Monitor* will be contributing to the MTR through its special side-event captioned "Tracking Progress and Accelerating Transformation". The event will also be the occasion to launch *the Monitor's* latest report of the same title.

Programme Schedule

A. Panel Speakers

1. *HE Dr Kerfalla Yansane*
Minister of State and Advisor, Guinean Presidency
2. *HE Ambassador Inigo Lambertini*
Deputy Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations
3. *Mr. Yahya Gülseven*
Senior Expert at External Affairs and Partnership
Department, Turkey International Cooperation and Development Agency (TIKA)

B. Launch of the Report "Tracking Progress, Accelerating Transformation: Achieving the Istanbul Programme of Action by 2020".

Introduction by:

1. *Mr Federico Bonaglia*
Senior Counsellor to the Director, OECD Development Centre, Paris
2. *Professor Patrick Guillaumont*
President, Fondation pour les Etudes et Recherches sur le Développement International (FERDI), Clermont-Ferrand
3. *Dr Jodie Keane*
Economic Advisor, Trade Division, Commonwealth Secretariat, London
4. *Professor Mustafizur Rahman*
Executive Director, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), Dhaka

Moderator:

Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya
Chair, LDC IV Monitor and Distinguished Fellow, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), Dhaka

C. Closing remarks by Moderator and wrap-up discussion.