



***Declaración del Excmo. Sr. D. Senén Florensa Palau,
Embajador Representante Permanente de España ante los
Organismos Internacionales en Viena***

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Thank you, Mr President

First of all, I wish to congratulate you on your election and assure you of the support of my delegation to carry out your duty.

I would also like to thank your Government for your hospitality, and also to recognize your initiative to create in cooperation with UNIDO, the “Global Manufacturing and Industrialization Summit” (GMIS), which since 2015 constitutes a fundamental reference for Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development, based on collaboration between governments, international development organizations, and banks and the private sector.

Mr. President,

This delegation aligns itself with the declaration delivered in the name of the European Union, and wishes to highlight some additional ideas:

Spain reiterates its commitment to the United Nations system. Our country acts from the conviction that the solution to global problems involves the active and constructive collaboration of the entire international community, including not only governments and international organizations, but also civil society, the private sector and academic institutions. The United Nations system continues to occupy a central position in this whole scheme.



We are strongly committed to the necessary reform of the United Nations system, including the alignment of all agencies and agencies of the system with the 2030 Agenda. The Sustainable Development Goals constitute a global social pact of an intergenerational nature and we must all focus our efforts to put it into practice.

Spain wishes to recognize the role of UNIDO in achieving these objectives, and in particular the promotion of objective number 9, related to sustainable and inclusive industrial development. The ambition in the economic and industrial commitments has to go hand in hand with the ambition about the social guarantees, so that the changes do not negatively affect the most vulnerable, but instead become a catalyst of opportunities for all.

As highlighted during the recent Climate Action Summit, the fight against climate emergency requires daring actions by governments, that should be consistent with science, and reach all sectors and all regions of the planet. We must implement policies and measures capable of addressing the challenges we face.

We need to carry out a transformation that impacts all areas of our economies, and our development, production and consumption models. It is thus necessary for this ecological transition to be a vector of modernization and development of the economy and industry.

In this context, UNIDO is called to play an important role in energy and climate change, reflected in objectives 7 and 13. Therefore, Spain has made a significant contribution to several centers, the Global Network of Sustainable Energy Centers.



In addition, we are aware that climate ambition and sustainable development must also go hand in hand with the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women. Spain therefore supports the UNIDO Strategy for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment [2020-2023].

The role of governments is essential but not sufficient. It is necessary to involve all economic and social agents. Therefore, Spain supports the creation of public-private partnerships for development activities in low and middle-income countries.

Muchas gracias, señor Presidente