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SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 7 November 2019

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 9th plenary meeting

Consideration and adoption
of decisions and resolutions

Plenary Hall
(Etihad Ballroom, floor -1)

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, 6 November 2019

Thematic event: Young Entrepreneurs as Drivers of Innovation and Job Creation for Competitive and Resilient Economies

The moderator, Ms. Daleen Hassan, introduced the event.

Opening remarks were made by Mr. LI Yong, Director General of UNIDO.

The panellists of this event were: Ms. Doaa Kazweni, Strategy Consultant of the Arab Youth Center; Ms. Gudbjorg Rist, CEO of Atmonia; Mr. Gerhard Hrebicek, President of the European Branding Institute; Ms. Maria Namukwambi, Research Associate of Baobab Capital of Namibia; Mr. Silver Tumwesigye, Director of Silgad Investments Ltd; Ms. Sinda Soussia, Embedded Software Engineer of Mitte mitte GmbH; and Ms. Navruza Jalilova, Senior Protection Expert of United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Tajikistan.

Closing remarks were made by: Mr. Dejene Tezera, Director of the Department of Agribusiness of UNIDO.

7th PLENARY MEETING

Item 5: Credentials of representatives to the Conference

With the Vice-President in the Chair, the Chairperson of the Credentials Committee, Ms. Kate Oliver (Ireland), presented the report of the Credentials Committee, contained in document GC.18/L.1. Comments were made by the representatives of Iran (Islamic Republic of), Peru, Rwanda, Syrian Arab Republic, Morocco, Kuwait, State of Palestine, and Malawi.

The report of the Credentials Committee was adopted as presented.

Item 10 (e): Appointment of an External Auditor

As no candidate reached the required simple majority of those present and voting, a second ballot was announced for the afternoon session.

Thematic event: Promoting Sustainable Industrial Parks and Low-Carbon Urban-Industrial Development for Inclusive and Sustainable Industrialization

The moderator, Ms. Daleen Hassan, introduced the event.

Opening remarks were made by Mr. Dejene Tezera, Director of the Department of Agribusiness of UNIDO.

The panellists of this event were: Mr. Ahmed Taha, Senior Assistant to the Minister of Trade and Industry for Industrial Affairs, Ministry of Trade and Industry of Egypt; Mr. Momath Ba, Director General of the Agency for Development and Promotion of Industrial Sites of Senegal; Mr. Kevin Thompstone, Former CEO of Shannon Development, and Director and former President of Shannon Chamber of Ireland; Mr. Dejene Tezera, Director, Department of Agri-Business of UNIDO; and Ms. Petra Schwager, Senior Industrial Development Officer of UNIDO.

8th PLENARY MEETING

Item 10 (e): Appointment of an External Auditor

Mr. Alexei Leonidovich Kudrin (Chairman of the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation) was elected as the External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years as of 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2022.

General debate – Items 7 to 23

With the Vice-President in the Chair, statements were made by H.E. Mr. Mohamed AG ERLAF, Minister of Industry and Trade of Mali, H.E. Mr. Lamin JOBE, Minister of Trade, Industry, Regional Integration and Employment of Gambia, Costa Rica, Mexico, Bulgaria, Jordan, Malta, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Uruguay, and Malawi.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Conference coverage on the Internet

All official General Conference documents are available on the UNIDO website (www.unido.org/gc/18) and the UNIDO extranet (<http://extranet.unido.org>).

In line with decision IDB.46/Dec.3 (e), written summary records will not be provided for this session and will continue to be replaced with digital recordings. The sound recordings will be made of the meetings of the plenary and sessional bodies as appropriate. The sound recordings will be made available in all official languages on the UNIDO Extranet (<http://extranet.unido.org>).

Daily coffee break and lunch:

8 to 10 a.m.

1 to 2 p.m. (could vary by 15 minutes)

Transport schedule:

Morning: All buses will be positioned at each of the hotels at 7.30 a.m. until 11.00 a.m. (Some hotels do not allow the bus to go up the lobby level, please ask the concierge where the bus is parked).

Bus 1:	Platinum Apartments
Bus 2:	Al Ain Palace Hotel
Bus 3:	Kings Gate Hotel
Bus 4:	City Seasons Al Hamra and Tryp by Wyndham
Bus 5:	Holiday Inn
Bus 6:	Intercontinental Hotel
Bus 7:	Royal M Hotel
Bus 8:	Bab Al Qasr and Grand Hyatt
Bus 9:	Jumeirah at Etihad Towers
Bus 10:	Khalidiya palace

Evening: All buses will be at the Emirates Palace from 5.00 p.m. to transfer participants to hotels.

Airport shuttles to Abu Dhabi airport, then Dubai airport:

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THURSDAY, 7 November 2019

Leaving from Emirates Palace

06.00 a.m. 12.00 noon 03.00 p.m. 06.00 p.m.

FRIDAY, 8 November 2019

Leaving from Emirates Palace

02.00 a.m. 03.00 a.m. 06.00 a.m. 08.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 12.00 noon
02.00 p.m. 04.00 p.m. 06.00 p.m. 08.00 p.m.

Airport shuttle to Sharjah airport

07.15 a.m. – Emirates Palace

07.40 a.m. – Bab Al Qasr

08.00 a.m. – Jumeirah at Etihad Towers