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Final countdown to second ISID Forum begins

The organizers wish to thank all those that have registered for the event. The venue capacity has been filled with 346 people from 77 countries. No more confirmations have been taken since last Friday.

However, those that will not be able to attend can watch a live webcast of the opening session on www.unido.org starting at 09:45 on Tuesday, 4 November.

The opening ceremony of the second ISID Forum will feature a range of dignitaries, including UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon; the Prime Minister of Ethiopia, Hailemariam Desalegn; and the Prime Minister of Senegal, Mahammed Dionne; as well as Director General LI Yong who will speak about “UNIDO’s vision of partnerships to scale up investments for inclusive and sustainable industrial development”.



Other dignitaries invited to speak at the opening include José Graziano da Silva, Director General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); Fatima Haram Acyl, Commissioner for Trade and Industry, African Union Commission; Neven Mimica, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission; Erik Solheim, Chair of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development OECD-Development Assistance Committee (OECD-DAC); Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); and Alhaji Muhamad Mumuni, Secretary General, African, Caribbean, and Pacific Group of States (ACP).

Session 1 will outline UNIDO’s partnership-based pilot approach to ISID. Former CNN journalist and presenter Todd Benjamin will moderate a discussion on the main recommendations and lessons learned from the first ISID Forum. Philippe Scholtes, Managing Director, Programme Development and Technical Cooperation Division, will look at the key features of UNIDO’s Programme for Country Partnership and define partnership models for ISID investments.

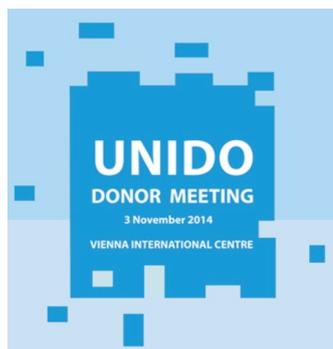
Session 2 will focus on the case of Ethiopia. It will look at the Programme for Country Partnership, designed to support the industrialization of the country, and feature, among others, presentations by Ahmed Abteu, Minister of Industry; and Mebrahtu Meles, State Minister of Industry, Ethiopia.

On the second day, during **Session 3** participants will hear about the case of Senegal, and UNIDO’s Programme for Country Partnership, designed to support Senegal’s industrialization. Presentations, among others, will be delivered by Papa Abdoulaye Seck, Minister of Agriculture of Senegal; and Aly Ngouille Ndiaye, Minister of Industry and Mining.

Session 4 at the end of the Forum will be devoted to the way forward and ways to strengthen the partnership dialogue between UNIDO, recipient Governments, DFIs, other development agencies, the private sector, and donors to scale up ISID investment in developing countries



UNIDO to present a range of success stories from the field at meeting for donors and partners



The Director General has invited representatives of Permanent Missions and their national development agencies, as well as other key funding partners, to a UNIDO Donor Meeting that will take place prior to the second ISID Forum.

The event will be held on 3 November from 14:30 to 18:00 in Board Room D of the Vienna International Centre (C-building, 4th floor).

The Donor Meeting will showcase recent success stories from UNIDO's technical cooperation portfolio by sharing experiences and insights in an interactive session where both donor representatives and officials from beneficiary countries are invited to participate.

It will also highlight the link between UNIDO's work and the vision of inclusive and sustainable industrial development, emphasizing the relevance of ISID as a key driver for the successful integration of the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.

Formal confirmations of participants received as of 28 October 2014



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The ISID Forum Newsletter

This newsletter – published regularly until the second ISID Forum – provides details about the most salient aspects of the preparation for the event. Upcoming issues will also focus on pilot initiatives for implementing ISID country programmes, and feature updates on confirmed participants, and other relevant and practical information.

For more information on the second Forum, please visit www.unido.org