SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 2 December 2015

9.30-10.15 a.m.  Credentials Committee

10 a.m.-1 p.m.  5th Plenary meeting

General debate
Items 7 to 23 (continued)

1-2 p.m.  Side event: Youth and women entrepreneurship

3-4 p.m.  6th Plenary meeting


4-6 p.m.  General debate
Items 7 to 23 (continued)

6-7:30 p.m.  Side event: External launch of the Industrial Development Report 2016

Austrian Development Bank
(Oesterreichische Entwicklungsbank AG,
“Reitersaal”, Strauchgasse 3,
1011 Vienna, Austria)

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FORCAST OF MEETINGS
Thursday, 3 December 2015

10 a.m.-1 p.m.  7th Plenary meeting

Plenary Hall
(first floor)

General debate
Items 7 to 23 (continued)

Credentials of representatives to the Conference

1-2.30 p.m.  Side event: Sustainable industrialization for climate action

Press Room
(ground floor)

3-6 p.m.  8th Plenary meeting

Plenary Hall
(first floor)

General debate
Items 7 to 23 (continued)
SUMMARY OF MEETINGS
Tuesday, 1 December 2015

3rd PLENARY MEETING

Item 4: Organization of work

No statement was made under this agenda item

General debate — Items 7 to 23 (continued)

With the President in the Chair, statements were made by H.E. Mr. Ekwow Spio-Garbrah, Minister for Trade and Industry of Ghana; H.E. Mr. Piero Ghezzi Solis, Minister of Production of Peru; H.E. Mr. Amir Houssain Amu, Minister for Industries of Bangladesh; and H.E. Mr. Donville Inniss, Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development of Barbados.

Main Committee — 1st meeting

The Chair, H.E. Mr. Adnan Bin Othman (Malaysia), opened the first meeting. The Main Committee elected by acclamation the following Vice-Chairs:

H.E. Simon Madjumo Maruta (Namibia)
Mr. Martin Matter (Switzerland)
Mr. Bernardo Roca-Rey Ross (Peru)
Ms. Katarzyna Wrona (Poland)

The Chair considered the recommendations of the Industrial Development Board, which had also received consensus by the informal consultations in preparation of the sixteenth session of the General Conference (document GC.16/CRP.2*, chapter II A refers). As a result, the Committee adopted seven decisions for transmission to the plenary on items 10 (a), 10 (b), 10 (c), 10 (d), 11, 12 and 20. A further draft resolution which was introduced during informal consultations (document GC.16/CRP.2*, chapter II B refers), on item 14 entitled “UNIDO and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” was also adopted by the Committee for transmission to plenary.

Item 9: UNIDO Donor meeting 2015

An introduction was made by the journalist Mr. Todd Benjamin, the event’s moderator.

An introductory statement was made by Mr. LI Yong, Director General of UNIDO.

Panellists: Ms. Mounira Ayed Jalled, Marketing Director of the Tunisian company SICAM; Mr. Dhaou Sadok Bejja, Director General for the Promotion of Small and Medium Enterprises in the Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mines of Tunisia; Mr. Thierry Buchs, Head of the Sustainable Trade Promotion Division at the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs of Switzerland; Mr. Otman El Mrabet, Head of Service of Trade and Logistic Development of Local Products at the Agriculture Development Agency of Morocco; Mr. Saleh Ahmed, National Project Director of the UNIDO programme “Better Work and Standards Programme — Better Fisheries Quality” in Bangladesh; H.E. Ms. Bente Angell-Hansen, Ambassador of Norway to Austria; H.E. Mr. Md Amir Hossain, Minister for Industries of Bangladesh; Ms. Mala Khan, Chief Scientific Officer of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research of Bangladesh; H.E. Mr. Didier Lenoir, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations in Vienna; Mr. Khaled Abdelhalim, Executive Director of the Local Administration Reform Unit at the Ministry of Local Development of Egypt; Mr. Gamal Hassanein, one of the beneficiaries of UNIDO’s work in Egypt; Mr. Yuichi Oba, Counsellor and Head of the Economic Section at the Embassy of Japan to Egypt; Ms. Tabara Cissokho of the Senegalese non-governmental organization “Solidarité Action Développement”; Ms. Watta Ouedraogo Koulibaly, Director of Sanitation and Environment Risk Prevention Department of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Burkina Faso; Mr. Anil Sookdeo, Coordinator of the Chemical and Waste Focal Area and Senior Environmental Specialist of the Secretariat of the Global
Environment Facility; H.E. Mr. Donville Inniss, Minister of Industry of Barbados; Mr. Mahama Kappiah, Executive Director of the ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency in Cabo Verde; Mr. Martin Ledolter, Managing Director of the Austrian Development Agency; Ms. Shereen Allam, entrepreneur from Egypt; Mr. Pierre Antoine Omran, Head of the Beirut Permits Committee in the Ministry of Industry of Lebanon; Ms. Bianca Pomeranzi, Member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women; and Ms. Sinda Soussia, a beneficiary of UNIDO’s work in Tunisia.

“Africa: Whatever you thought, think again” — launch of the Oxford Handbook of Africa and Economics

A side event entitled “Africa: Whatever you thought, think again” took place during the lunch break. A panel featuring Mr. Justin Yifu Lin, Professor at Peking University, and Ms. Nadereh Chamlou, former Senior Advisor at the World Bank, was moderated by Mr. Célestin Monga, UNIDO Managing Director. It concluded with a musical performance by Mr. Lokua Kanza.

4th PLENARY MEETING

With the President in the Chair, a statement was made by the President of the seventieth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Mogens Lykketoft of Denmark.

General debate — Items 7 to 23 (continued)

Statements were made by H.E. Ms. Sani Mariama Moussa, Minister delegate of Mines and Industrial Development of Niger; H.E. Mr. Narson Rafidimanana, Minister of Industry and Development of the Private Sector of Madagascar; Mr. Gennady Gatilov, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; South Africa (on behalf the African Group); Peru (on behalf of GRULAC); and the Republic of Korea (on behalf of the Asia and Pacific Group).

Main Committee—2nd meeting

The Committee adopted two resolutions on items 15 and 18 for transmission to plenary. These were entitled as follows: UNIDO, Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, and Vienna Ministerial Declaration for the Least Developed Countries. Furthermore, the Committee adopted a decision on item 22 on the date and place of the seventeenth session of the General Conference for consideration by plenary.

Item 9: The fourth UNIDO Forum on Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development (part II)

An introduction was made by the journalist Mr. Todd Benjamin, the event’s moderator.

Panellists: Mr. Mebratu Meles, State Minister of Industry of Ethiopia; Mr. Modienne Guisse, Cabinet Director of the Minister of Industry and Mining of Senegal; Mr. Dejene Tezera, UNIDO Team Leader for the Programme for Country Partnerships in Ethiopia; Mr. Tidiane Boye, UNIDO Team Leader for the Programme for Country Partnerships in Senegal; H.E. Mr. Piero Ghezzi Solis, Minister of Production of Peru; Mr. Andreas von Wedemeyer Knigge, President of the National Society for Industry of Peru; Mr. Johannes Dobinger, UNIDO Representative in Colombia; Ms. Petra Schwager, UNIDO Team Leader for the Programme for Country Partnerships in Peru.

A closing statement was delivered by Mr. LI Yong, Director General of UNIDO.

The role of innovation hubs for sustainable industrialization and shared prosperity

A side event on innovation hubs for sustainable industrialization and shared prosperity took place in the evening. The panel discussing this important issue consisted of Ms. Catherine Johns, Innovation and Business Growth Director, Business Durham, United Kingdom; Mr. Sanzhar Kettebekov, Chief Executive Officer of the Autonomous Cluster Fund (Almaty Tech Garden), Kazakhstan; Mr. Tadeusz Peczek, President of the Board, Office for Economic Policy and Regional Development Ltd, Poland; Mr. Yerbol Shormanov, Deputy Chairman of the Astana EXPO-2017, Kazakhstan; Mr. Valery Tsepkalo, Director of the High-Tech Park, Republic of Belarus; and Mr. Matthias Weber Head of
Research, Technology and Innovation Policy Unit and Deputy Head of Department, Austrian Institute of Technology, Innovation Systems Department; and Ms. Olga Memedovic, Chief of the Europe and Central Asia Bureau, UNIDO.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transparency Initiative: Launch of the Open Data Platform for all programmes and projects at a glance

As part of the Transparency Initiative, the new Open Data Platform, which presents all programmes and projects at a glance, will be available to external stakeholders as of 30 November 2015. The Platform displays an interactive world map with details of ongoing programmes and projects — including outcomes and outputs, timelines, financial information, gender equality information, project documents as well as country statistics, donor information and more.

The Open Data Platform has been designed to display data directly from the enterprise resource planning (ERP) system and is updated on a regular basis. It serves as a central user-friendly access point to enable better monitoring and reporting for all stakeholders.

The Platform has already been demonstrated to the Member States and donors at previous occasions and tested by the Transparency Initiative Liaison Group of Member States prior to its launch. In 2016, UNIDO will continue to extend and improve the scope, quantity, and quality of the information available.

Delegates are invited to visit the two exhibition areas located on the first and second floors in M01 and M02 to receive live demonstrations and learn more about UNIDO’s Transparency Initiative.

UNIDO mobile application

As part of its continuing efforts to increase the seamless transmission of up-to-date information to its Member States, UNIDO is proud to launch the new UNIDO mobile application at this session of the General Conference. Available on both i-Phones and Android, the UNIDO mobile application makes navigating the sixteenth session of the UNIDO General Conference easy and intuitive.

Delegates are invited to visit the exhibition area located in M0E, opposite the Cybercafé, to learn more about the UNIDO mobile application.

Cybercafé

A cybercafé will be available on the ground floor of the M-building with desktop computers connected to the internet.

Conference coverage on Internet

In line with the paperless nature of the UNIDO General Conference, all official documents have been published on the UNIDO website (www.unido.org/gc/16) and can also be easily accessed through the UNIDO mobile application. In accordance with Board decision IDB.41/Dec.12 (I), summary records are not provided for this session. However, digital recordings of the public meetings of the Conference are available through the UNIDO Extranet (www.unido.org/extranet) and the VIC Online Services at: http://myconference.unov.org.

The VIC Online Services will also allow participants convenient access to documentation and information for participants regarding facilities and services available in the VIC. The application can be accessed from participants’ mobile devices such as smart phones and tablet PCs at the following address: http://myconference.unov.org