

Summary of Opening Ceremony

Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations

- Appreciated UNIDO and Ulsan Metropolitan City for hosting this conference.
- Importance of the cities in realizing sustainable development. Cities can be powerhouses for economic growth.
- Importance of the conference in that it gives direction to HABITAT III
- Population in cities is growing, especially in developing countries. When planned well, cities can contribute to sustainable industrialization and equitable growth. Thus, it is timely that this conference is held.

Mr. Li Yong, Director General, UNIDO

- Expressed thanks to Ulsan Metropolitan City for hosting the event. The city of Ulsan is the best example of a green industrial hub in the Republic of Korea.
- Importance of the GIC in promoting the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and complementing the Paris Agreement as well as UNIDO's ISID mandate
- Industry and cities create jobs and promote development but at the same time are some of the largest contributors to environmental degradation. This is why green industry is vital.
- Hope to build momentum for the promotion of green industry following previous green industry conferences.
- Credit to Ulsan: best example in converting existing facilities into eco-friendly ones. Thus, sharing Ulsan's experience is vital.
- Urged participants to promote renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies to achieve a circular economy
- UNIDO stands ready to harness its expertise, resource and network to proliferate green industry strategies and technologies in cities across the globe. But we cannot be successful acting alone. Emphasized that "the City of Tomorrow"- a sustainable, inclusive and prosperous city with a thriving and modern industry - can become a reality.

Mr. Kim Gi-hyeon, Mayor of Ulsan Metropolitan City

- Welcomed participants for joining us
- Appreciated UNIDO's support to hold the conference
- Industrialization and environmental protection should be harmonized
- Korea experienced the fear of severe environmental pollution 50 years ago because we did not have the developmental paradigm that harmonized industrialization and environmental protection.
- Gather expertise around the world to find solutions to environmental issues.
- We are eager to learn from other countries and share our own experience regarding integrating sustainable growth in cities.

Mr. Park Won-joo, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy, Republic of Korea

- Appreciated UNIDO and Ulsan city for hosting the conference
- How industries can be expanded in sustainable ways
- Creative and innovative models can be adopted in cities in order to promote sustainable growth.
- Ulsan is a city with condensed industrialization history. Conducted various efforts to achieve energy efficiency and will continuously seek for green development
- Hope you will be able to share vision and ideas for further business opportunity

Mr. Wang Xiokang, Chairman, China Energy Conservation and Environmental Protection Group

- Introduction of CECEP's efforts to protect environment
- Praised UNIDO's efforts in promoting green industry and said CECEP fully understands UNIDO's mandate
- Industrialization and urbanization should be complemented in developing countries.
- Green industrial development is inseparable from government support, enterprises and the private sector and international cooperation and exchanges

Mr. Park Yeon-cheon, Chairman, Ulsan Metropolitan Council

- Eager to share experiences and know-how of Ulsan which has transformed a gray city into green city
- Opportunity to share the knowhow and expertise for green growth
- One step closer to the joint effort of creating green growth

Mr. Kim Bok Chul, President, Director General, Directorate of Policy, National Research Council of Science and Technology

- Expressed thanks to participating agencies, UNIDO and Ulsan Metropolitan City
- Importance of investing in new energy business for Korea
- Importance of Industrial technical cooperation as a sustainable cooperation item
- NST's efforts: NST has been playing a leading role through localization and advanced technology
- Promote R&D cooperation related to industrial technology
- MoU between UNIDO and NST will be a good opportunity to contribute to green growth through cooperation
- Industrial technical cooperation between Korea and developing countries emerged as one of the first agenda items
- This year's two interests: support global issues and cooperation for R&D promotion

Mr. Choi Su-gyu, Vice SME Minister, Small and Medium Business Administration

- This conference provides SMEs an opportunity to promote themselves in the market

- Hope to bring our experience of promoting SMEs together with promotion of goals of UNIDO
- Emphasized the importance of cooperation between UNIDO and SMBA in nurturing the small and medium sized companies in green industry.

Mr. Joo Dong Ju on behalf of Yu Byoung-gyu, Korea Institute for Industrial Economics and Trade

- Sincerely congratulate the hosts of this conference
- Ulsan is a symbol of economic development in modern Korea and now a symbol of green industry
- Climate change is the common agenda for sustainable development around the world
- Competition rising in renewable energy causes change in manufacturing sector as well
- With the advanced IT in Korea, Korea can help developing countries develop the new business model for green industry