Good morning:

First of all, I would like to thank UNIDO DG, Dr. Li Yong and Managing Director, Ciyong Zou for the invitation to this first PCP Peer learning session.

It is a pleasure for us, as representatives of the Peruvian government, to exchange knowledge and experiences that will allow us to promote inclusive, innovative and sustainable industrial development, within the framework of the Country Partnership Program (PCP).

This invitation could not come at a better time, because in order to meet this objective, in two days we will have our first meeting of the Working Group of Partners and Donors of PCP Peru; where we will present new project proposals.

**Back to the occasion that brings us together today.** On this occasion, I would like to share with you the Peruvian experience with the implementation of the PCP and in particular:

- The objective that the model specifically assigns to the coordination of alliances and key stakeholders
- The mobilization of resources for the implementation of industrial development projects.

For Peru, **international technical cooperation is a key instrument** that complements national efforts to close development gaps and contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
• Thus, in the specific case of the industrial sector, the participation of specialized agencies such as UNIDO is of particular relevance because of the possibility of sharing strengths and capabilities and obtaining technical knowledge from the international level.

• It is in this spirit that UNIDO and PRODUCE established the PCP Peru, to advance the inclusive and sustainable industrial development of the country. I was done based on the components established for this program, in accordance with national priorities, as well as to achieve full and effective resource mobilization on the part of the stakeholders and partners working in this area.

• This strategic alliance mechanism between UNIDO and Peru has made it possible to mobilize, to date, USD 12,723,000 in international technical cooperation through 12 projects that are underway or have already been completed, all of them in favor of sustainable, innovative, and inclusive Peruvian industrial development.

• On the other hand, the fact that the PCP is aligned from its outset with national priorities has been a key success factor in light of the economic, political and social challenges that Peru has been facing in recent times, including the global health crisis caused by COVID-19.

• That is why PRODUCE and UNIDO, through the Program's coordination mechanism, have been working to mobilize resources and generate partnerships for priority initiatives in industrial development.

• This work included:
  o Mapping of partners and donors.
  o Identification of sectorial interests by PRODUCE.
  o And a joint work between the teams of PRODUCE, UNIDO, and the PCP national office, within the framework of the PCP Partners and Donors Working Group (GTSD), convened for February 4.

• I would also like to emphasize that, the PCP has been instrumental to provide inputs to the forthcoming cooperation framework of the United Nations system in Peru, by providing a diagnostic of industrial sector as
well as proposing the most suitable initiatives in line with the priorities and interests of the sector.

- It is also important to reiterate that all initiatives implemented or under design of the PCP are aligned with the policy priority of Peru, which guarantee their continuity and sustainability despite the structural and cyclical crises we have been experiencing.

- As I was telling you a moment ago, in two days we will have our first Partner and Donor Working Group (PDWG) meeting, where we will present three new initiatives, framed within Priority Objective No. 9 of the National Competitiveness and Productivity Policy (PNCP), which highlights the need to "Promote environmental sustainability in economic operations".

- Two of these proposals are also aimed at implementing the "Roadmap towards a Circular Economy in the Industry Sector", approved in compliance with the mandate contained in Policy Measure No. 9.3 "Circular Economy and Clean Production Agreements in the industry, fishing and agriculture sectors", of the National Competitiveness and Productivity Plan, which regulates the PNCP.

- In summary. We believe that the very design of the PCP Program, through its institutional mechanisms, particularly the Partners and Donors Working Group, and its structure and formulation, aligned with national priorities in a multi-partnership scheme, are a key success factors in achieving the mobilization of resources and partnership for inclusive and sustainable development.

- This must be accompanied, at least as far as the Peruvian experience is concerned, by careful strategic planning that responds to national challenges and contexts. And we have been working along these lines.

- Thank you very much.