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REGIONAL WORKSHOPS: Industrial Policy for SDG Acceleration

BACKGROUND

In a world marked by unprecedented global challenges, the path towards sustainable development is more critical than ever. Recent events such as the COVID-19 pandemic, geopolitical tensions, and soaring inflation rates have underscored the fragility of progress made towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the last years. To regain momentum and achieve the 2030 Agenda, we need renewed commitment, innovative strategies, and more than ever, collective efforts.

At the core of these efforts is industrial development. The international community is increasingly acknowledging the primer role that industry is set to play in reversing the impact of these multiple crises and rescuing the SDGs. UNIDO, as the leading agency in providing policy advice for industrial progress in developing countries, is determined in its mission to advance inclusive and sustainable industrial development.

UNIDO's forthcoming Industrial Development Report (IDR) 2024 will shed light on the importance of industry and industrial policy in driving sustainable development. The Report will track global progress towards SDGs 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy), 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), and 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure), and examine the role played by industrialization in achieving these crucial goals. Just as importantly, it will provide a detailed assessment of the current state and future trends of industrial policy within four developing regions: Africa, Asia-Pacific, Eastern Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

To ensure a comprehensive and inclusive approach, UNIDO is organizing four regional workshops on industrial policy for SDG acceleration on Monday 26 June from 14:00 to 17:30hs CEST (see draft agenda below).

These workshops aim at gathering substantive inputs for the IDR 2024 from Member States and regional experts, providing a grounded, expert-guided foundation for the policy recommendations of the report. Additionally, the workshops will serve as a platform for dialogue and knowledge sharing, where participants can discuss and explore current trends and developments related to SDG acceleration through industrial policy within their regions.

While the challenges we face may be unprecedented, they also present unique opportunities for rethinking, innovating, and forging a resilient and inclusive path for industrial development. As we navigate an era that demands a strengthened and coherent response, we believe these workshops will help enhancing our collective capacity to tackle the challenges and capitalize on the opportunities, paving a sustainable and resilient path towards the 2030 Agenda.

FINAL AGENDA

Format: Hybrid at UNIDO's HQs in Vienna.

Date and time: Monday 26th June 2023, 14:00-17:30hs (CEST).

Time (CEST)	Room	Content
14:00-14:30	Plenary: CR-7 Virtual: Interprefy online platform [LINK]	<p>Opening ceremony</p> <p>Moderated by Mr. Cristiano Pasini, Director, Division of Capacity Development, Industrial Policy Advice and Statistics, UNIDO</p> <p>Opening remarks by Mr. Gerd Müller, UNIDO Director General</p> <p>Keynote presentation by Prof. Jeffrey Sachs [virtual], Director of the Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University</p> <p>Interventions by high-level experts from the regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Alicia Bárcena [virtual], Designated Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Mexico - Amb. Giampiero Massolo [virtual], President of the Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI), Italy - Dr. Simona Anamaria Marinescu [virtual], UN Senior Advisor, Small Island Development States (SIDS) - Prof. Celestin Monga, Harvard University, former Vice-President and Chief Economist of the African Development Bank Group (tbc) <p>Goals and structure of the event by Mr. Ciyong Zou, UNIDO Deputy to Director General, Managing Director, Directorate of Technical Cooperation and Sustainable Industrial Development</p>
14:30-14:40	-	Reallocation to break-up rooms
14:40-16:40	Break-up rooms Africa: CR-7 [LINK] Asia: CR-6 [LINK] Eastern Europe: CR-5 [LINK] LAC: CR-4 [LINK]	<p>Regional sessions (taking place in parallel):</p> <p>Africa, moderated by Mr. Victor Djemba, Chief, Regional Bureau for Africa, UNIDO</p> <p>Asia-Pacific, moderated by Tsung Ping Chung, Chief, Division of Policy Making Organs, UNIDO</p> <p>Eastern Europe, moderated by Solomiya Omelyan, Chief, Regional Bureau for Europe and Central Asia, UNIDO</p> <p>Latin America and the Caribbean, moderated by Cecilia Ugaz, Director, Gender Equity and Empowerment of Women Office, UNIDO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction and scene setting by UNIDO and regional partner research institutes - Interventions by Member States - Comment by Experts - Open floor for discussion - Conclusions and summary of main takeaways from the session

16:40-17:00	-	Coffee Break & reallocation to plenary
17:00-17:30	Plenary: CR-7 Virtual: Interprefy online platform [LINK]	Concluding session <i>Moderated by Mr. Cristiano Pasini</i> , Director, Division of Capacity Development, Industrial Policy Advice and Statistics, UNIDO Summary of key takeaways from regional sessions , by regional session moderators Open floor for final remarks , by Member States and experts Closing remarks by Mr. Gerd Müller , UNIDO Director General

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