



**United Nations Conference
on Trade and Development
(UNCTAD)**



Government of Angola

Training and capacity building workshop on sustainable graduation: Policies and strategies for structural transformation, productive capacity-building and inclusive growth in Angola

(30 July to 1 August 2013, Luanda, Angola)

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Venue.....

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A. Segment I: Senior Officials, policy advisors and experts

Day 1: Tuesday, 30 July 2013

09:00 - 10:00 Registration

Opening Session: The quest for sustainable graduation from LDCs category: Policies and strategies for structural transformation, productive capacity-building and inclusive growth in Angola

This session is to set a tone for the workshop and provide a direction for the subsequent discussions. It will particularly highlight the potential and opportunities existing in Angola and the challenges facing the country in achieving structural economic transformation, ensuring sustainable and inclusive growth and meeting the graduation objectives.

10:00 - 10:10 Welcome statement: Senior Government Official from Angola.....

10:10 - 10:20 Opening statement: **Mr. Tesfachew Taffere**, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.

10:20 - 10:30 Opening remarks: Ms. Maria do Valle Ribeiro, UN Resident Coordinator

10:40 - 11:00 Keynote address by government minister from Angola

Coffee break

Moderator: tbd

Item 1: Graduation from LDC status: background, performance, process, and implications for Angola

This session is intended to provide historical and conceptual background to LDC's category and graduation, including UN criteria and rules for graduation with policy implications to Angola

- 11:10 - 11:30 Graduation criteria, graduation rule, relevant history: **Mr. Pierre Encontre**, Officer-in-Charge, Trade and Poverty Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 11:30 - 11:40 Comments and remarks: progress among LDCs towards meeting graduation criteria: **Mr. Tesfachew Taffere**, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 11:40 - 12:00 Angola's performance under LDC criteria: **Mr. Jean-Claude Mporamazina**, Economic Affairs Officer, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 12:00 – 13:00 Interactive discussions

(Lunch break)

Moderator: (tbd)

Item 2: Progress towards internationally agreed goals including graduation and policy options

This session is intended to provide insights into Angola's progress towards internationally agreed goals in comparison with selected other LDCs. It will also examine the experiences of the recently graduated countries together with policy lessons to be drawn from such experiences. Finally, the session looks into the technical assistance needs of Angola and what UNCTAD and other UN-system agencies can do in support of the country.

- 15:00 - 15:20 The experience of recently graduated countries, and policy lessons for Angola: **Mr. Tesfachew Taffere**, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- 15:20 - 15:40 How does Angola compare with other selected LDCs in meeting internationally agreed targets and goals? Challenges ahead and the way forward: **Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Officer-in-Charge, SIDS and Status Issues Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

15:40 – 16:00

Coffee break

16:00 - 16:20

Technical assistance needs of Angola in the areas of trade and development policies and strategies: speaker from Angola (tbd)

16:20 - 16:40

UNCTAD's work in support of progress toward graduation from LDC status: **Mr. Pierre Encontre**, Officer-in-Charge, Trade and Poverty Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.

16:40- 17:40

Interactive discussions

17:40- 18:00

Summing-up by a moderator

Reception hosted by the Government of Angola??

Day 2: Wednesday, 31 July 2013

Moderator: (tbd)

Item 3: Challenges and priorities for Angola: policies and strategies to accelerate structural transformation, productive capacity-building and inclusive growth.

This session will address policies and strategies required to achieve structural economic transformation, building productive capacities and commodity diversification to promote inclusive growth and development in Angola. It will examine the dangers of excessive dependence on a few, low value added and low quality export items as well as the need for capturing commodities gain for development objectives. What should Angola do to get the most out of its extractive sector? What International support Measures are needed to build economic resilience of the country?

- 10:00-10:20 Policies and strategies required to accelerate structural economic transformation, productive capacity-building and inclusive growth in Angola: **Mr. Tesfachew Taffere**, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 10:20- 10:40 Lessons from other developing countries in making the most out of commodities: diversification , value addition and prudent policies to use commodities as lever for development: **Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Officer-in-Charge, SIDS and Status Issues Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 10:20 - 10:40 Interactive discussions
- 10:40 - 10:55 *(Coffee Break)*
- 10:55 - 11:15 Is structural progress possible in Angola? Focus on human capital development and resilience-building: **Pierre Encontre**, Officer-in-Charge, Trade and Poverty Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 11:15 - 11:35 Vision, policies and strategies of the government of Angola for the decade: the role of domestic institutions in trade and development: Senior government Official (tbd).
- 11:35 - 12:25 Interactive discussions
- 12:25 - 13:00 Summing-up

(Lunch break)

Moderator: *tbd*

Item 4: Graduation and smooth transition to post- LDC environment: Challenges, opportunities and the way forward

This session will deliberate, in a roundtable format, issues related to graduation and smooth transition strategy for Angola. It will examine the post-graduation environment together with related challenges and opportunities for Angola. It will also assess the extent of readiness of Angola for graduation including institutional framework and sustainability.

- 15:00 - 15:20 **Mr. Tesfachew Taffere**, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 15:20 - 15:40 **Mr. Pierre Encontre**, Officer-in-Charge, Trade and Poverty Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 15:40 - 16:00 **Mr. Jean-Claude Mporamazina**, Economic Affairs Officer: Presentation on the exercise mandated to UNCTAD to conduct a survey and prepare vulnerability profile of Angola as an input to the work of the CDP in 2015.
- 16:00 - 16:15 *(Coffee break)*
- 16:05- 16:30 Preparedness and views from the Government of Angola on graduation and smooth transition strategy: Senior government official.
- 16:30- 16:50 **Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Officer-in-Charge, SIDS and Status Issues Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 16:50- 17:30 Interactive discussions and summing up
- 17:30- 18:00 Closing of segment I

B. Segment II: Senior Officials and policy makers

Day 3: Wednesday, 1 August 2013

Policies and strategies for enhancing structural economic progress, ensuring broad-based and inclusive growth and building economic resilience: Key issues to be addressed by the Government of Angola in the years ahead.

- 10:00- 10:15 Opening remarks: Chairman/A minister from Angola.....
- 10:15- 10:30 Report of the senior officials, policy advisors and experts segment (Segment I): **Mr. Tesfachew Taffere**, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- 10:30- 10:45 UNRC or her representative on the role of the United Nations in support of Angola's development efforts
- 10:45- 11:00 Keynote address: A Minister from Angola
- 11:00- 11:15** *(Coffee break)*
- Technical advice to the Government of Angola on graduation and the way forward
- 11: 15- 11: 30 Mr. **Pierre Encontre**, Officer in Charge, Trade and Poverty Branch, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- 11:30- 11:45 **Mr. Mussie Delelegn**, Officer-in-Charge, SIDS and Status Issues Section, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.
- 11:45- 12: 30 Interactive discussions
- 12:30- 13:00 Official closing of the training and capacity building workshop.

(Official Lunch)