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Unctad contributions to the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits (Item 11)

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Examples of major conference outcomes where UNCTAD contributed in 2016-17

- Agenda 2030
- FFD (Addis, Doha, Monterrey)
- Istanbul Plan of Action
- Vienna Programme of Action
- SAMOA Pathway
- Beijing Platform for Action
- Countries in special situations
UNCTAD contributions span a broad spectrum of issues

- international trade and commodities
- investment and enterprise development
- global and macroeconomic issues
- debt and development finance issues
- trade and gender issues
- innovation and technology for development
- consumer protection
- Ocean's economy
- Trade and environment
- regional connectivity
- support to the LDCs, SIDS and LLDCS
UNCTAD's contributions in 2017

International Trade

Oceans:

- Momentum towards ending fisheries subsidies endorsed by 91 countries at UNCTAD 14 continued at Ocean's Conference and in the run up to MC11

Consumer protection:

- Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection Law and Policy

Key partnerships:
UNCITAD's contributions in 2017

Science, Technology and Innovation

Technology:

- WSIS Forum
- E-Commerce Week 2017
- eTrade for All, rapid eTrade readiness assessments
- Commission on Science and Technology for Development
- Science, Technology and Information

Key Partners:

- (UNESCO, UNDP, ITU, UN Inter-Agency Task Team on the Technology Facilitation Mechanism)
UNCTAD's contributions in 2017

Financing for Development follow-up

- Support to 2nd Committee resolutions in New York
- IATF-FFD major institutional stakeholder
  - Co-led 5 of the 8 Action Ares in the 2017 FFD Report
    - Trade, Private Finance, Technology, Debt, Systemic Issues
  - ECOSOC FFD Forum 2017 - participation of TDB president and UNCTAD experts
  - Preparations underway for November 2017 IGE on FFD

Key Partners:

IMF, World Bank Group, WTO, UNDP, Inter-Agency Task Force on FFD follow-up UNODC, Economic Commission for Africa
Going forward

- UN Development Reform
- Strengthening UNCTAD in the lead up to the Mid-Term Review
- Open, constructive dialogue on Phase II