

South-South Sharing of Policy Experiences 14-15 March 2022

Tentative Agenda (CET)

March 14, 2022

<u>10: 00–11:30</u> <u>Launch of 'China's Structural Transformation: What Can Developing Countries Learn?'-</u> followed by a panel discussion.

- Welcome Address (Moderator)- Richard Kozul-Wright, Director, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD (5 mins)
- Opening Remarks- Rebeca Grynspan, Secretary General, UNCTAD (5 mins)
- Keynote Address- H.E. Chen Xu, Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva (10 mins)
- Presentation of the study- Dawei Wang, Economic Affairs Officer, GDS-ECIDC, UNCTAD (15 mins)

Panel discussion

- Kevin P. Gallagher, Director, Global Development Policy Center, Boston University, USA (10 mins)
- o Tauhid Ahmed, Executive Director, INDEF, Indonesia (10 mins)
- Chanuka Wattegama, Director of Policy, ICTA, Sri Lanka (10 mins)
- o Firew Woldeyes, Lead Researcher, Policy Studies Institute of PSI, Ethiopia (10 mins)
- Concluding Remarks- Richard Kozul-Wright, Director, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD

14:00–15:30 Key Policy Responses to the Pandemic in developing countries: Case Studies of China, Ethiopia, South Africa and Malaysia.

- Welcome Address (Moderator) Piergiuseppe Fortunato, Economic Affairs Officer, GDS-ECIDC, UNCTAD (5 mins)
- Keynote Address H.E., Mathu Joyini, Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations at Geneva(10 mins)

Panel discussion

- Neva Makgetla, TIPS, South Africa (10 mins)
- Yin Shao Loong, Senior Research Associate, Khazanah Research Institute, Malaysia (10 mins)
- Zhang Liping, Deputy Director General, Financial Research Institute, DRC, China (10 mins)
- Mulu Gebreeyesus, Research Fellow, EDRI, Ethiopia (10 mins)

Q&A (30 mins)

 Concluding Remarks- Piergiuseppe Fortunato, Economic Affairs Officer, GDS-ECIDC, UNCTAD

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10:00–11:30 Challenges and Policies for Structural Transformation in Developing Countries

- Welcome Address (Moderator) Jörg Mayer, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD (5 mins)
 - Keynote Address H.E., Negash Kebret Botora, Permanent Representative of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to the UN (10 mins)

Panel discussion

- Mateus Abelardo Américo Matusse, Director Nacional de Apoio ao Desenvolvimento do Sector Privado, Mozambique
- o Dhamikka Nanayakkara, Assistant Governor, Central Bank, Sri Lanka
- o Safdar Sohail, Dean, NIPP and Member Prime Minister's Task Force on IT, Pakistan
- o Zhang Jianping, Director, Center for Regional Economic Cooperation, CAITEC, China
- Concluding Remarks Jörg Mayer, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD

14:00–15:30 Policies to Promote Digital Start-ups in Developing Countries

Welcome Address (Moderator)- **Rashmi Banga**, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD (5 mins)

• Keynote Address- H.E., Arrmanatha C. Nasir, Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations (10 mins)

Panel discussion

- Sachindra Samararatne, Director Startup Ecosystem Development · Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka (10 mins)
- Safdar Sohail, Dean, NIPP and Member Prime Minister's Task Force on IT, Pakistan
 (10 mins)

- o **Tsegay Gebrekidan Tekleselassie**, Senior Researcher, PSI, **Ethiopia** (10 mins)
- Esther Sri Astuti Agustin, Program Director of the Institute for Development. of Economics and Finance (INDEF), Indonesia (10 mins)
- Wang Chaoxian, Deputy Director, Policy and Economic Research Institute, CAICT, China (10 mins)

Q&A (20 mins)

• **Concluding Remarks -Rashmi Banga**, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD (5 mins)