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NOTIFICATION

Commission on Science and Technology for Development Intersessional panel meeting

Lisbon, 6–7 November 2023

The Commission on Science and Technology for Development will hold its <u>2023–2024</u> <u>intersessional panel meeting</u> in Lisbon, with physical participation, from 6 to 7 November 2023 and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. each day.

At the intersessional panel meeting, the following two priority themes will be addressed:

- (a) Theme 1. Data for development
- (b) Theme 2. Global cooperation in science, technology and innovation for development.

At the meeting, the Commission will also review progress made in the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society.

Draft papers on the priority themes will be circulated by the secretariat in due course. The findings and recommendations of the intersessional panel meeting will be considered at the twenty-seventh session of the Commission in 2024.

Participation

Participants will include representatives from national Governments, international organizations, the private sector, academia and civil society. Representatives of other organizations, including non-governmental organizations in the general and special categories, should hold consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or have received accreditation from the World Summit on the Information Society.

Registration is mandatory and should be completed as early as possible. Registration should be completed online at https://indico.un.org/event/1002483/.

Financial assistance

UNCTAD will defray the travel and per diem costs of representatives endorsed by the States that are <u>members of the Commission</u>. Permanent missions should send a note verbale to the Commission on Science and Technology for Development secretariat (<u>stdev@unctad.org</u>), indicating the request for funding and the name and contact details of the endorsed representative, no later than **31 August 2023**.

The meeting is open to representatives of States that are not members of the Commission, and the cost of their attendance will be borne by their respective Governments.

Logistics

The meeting will be held with physical participation in Lisbon, Portugal. To facilitate approval of registration, permanent missions should confirm the list of participating delegates by means of a note verbale or email by 20 October 2023. Information regarding meeting programme and venue will be available in due course at https://unctad.org/meeting/commission-science-and-technology-development-2023-2024-inter-sessional-panel.

Further information and contact details

General information on the Commission is available at: https://unctad.org/topic/commission-on-science-and-technology-for-development.

Details with regard to the current membership are available at: https://unctad.org/topic/commission-on-science-and-technology-for-development/membership.

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