Mr. President,

Director General Mr. Gerd Müller,

It is a pleasure and honour for me to welcome you as a new Director General of UNIDO on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Poland. We are convinced that the years of experience as Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development in the government of Germany will help you applying the best standards for the successful, results-oriented and well organised work in the Organisation. You will appreciate Poland's support for the implementation of your plans.

Many ambitious tasks and challenges await you, acceleration of the fulfilment of the mandate of UNIDO during the time of the pandemic and scarce resources being ones among the many. We hope, wish and believe that you will be able to manage all that hurdles and we shall stay with you as your trustworthy partner.

Lieber Herr Generaldirektor, guten Rutsch!

All the best for your work!

Thank you