INTERVENTION AND NATIONAL STATEMENTS - REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA AT THE 51st SESSION OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (IDB), UNIDO

Annual Report of the Director General for 2022 (Item 3)

1. Indonesia would like to express sincere gratitude to the hard work and excellent leadership of the outgoing President of the Board, H.E. Mr. Alejandro Edmundo Solano Ortiz, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica.

2. We also would like to extend the warmest congratulation to His Excellency Permanent Representative of Sudan as President of the 51st IDB Session. Indonesia is confident that under your wise and competent leadership, IDB will generate successful outcomes.

3. We align ourselves with statements on behalf of the G-77 and China and would like to add several remarks in its national capacity.

4. Indonesia extends sincere appreciation to Director General for delivering a comprehensive, clear and well-structured Annual Report, as presented in Document No. 2.

5. Throughout 2022, UNIDO played a significant role to assist Member States to recover its industry sector, mostly hit hard by the pandemic.

6. Indonesia particularly appreciates UNIDO's long standing cooperation with Indonesia in four areas, especially as manifested through some capacity building projects as the implementation of the Country Programme for 2021 – 2025.

7. Through the Annual Report, Director General has laid out his vision to pursue UNIDO's priorities, including on sustainable industrialization, energy transition, competitiveness and food security.

8. We hope that, with this set of priorities, UNIDO becomes more able to mobilize resources and deliver much needed assistance to developing countries.

9. Indonesia appreciates UNIDO's hard work in organizing the first edition of the Multilateral Industrial Policy Forum (MIPF) earlier this year. The idea of MIPF was intensively elaborated and discussed among Member States since last year.

10. Indonesia believes that MIPF should be continued and even expanded in the future, as the Forum is essential to facilitate policy learning and knowledge-sharing, as well as identifying and exploring the possibility for partnership and cooperation.

11. We positively appreciate UNIDO's focus on climate and environmental protection, renewable energies, and sustainable manufacturing practices. At the same time, Indonesia believes that that it is similarly important for UNIDO to help enhance the capacity of developing countries to produce and export environmental goods and services, and enable their greater participation in global value chains.

12. Developing countries' domestic capacities for clean technologies innovation should be build up. In that regard, UNIDO is in a strategic position to initiate international partnership to make clean technologies cheaper and more accessible.

Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

13. To close our first intervention, Indonesia would like to underline that it is now more important than ever for UNIDO Member States to strengthen the Organization and work collectively to address the current economic slowdown and other critical global challenges.

14. In that context, Indonesia calls UNIDO, its stakeholders and partners, to scale up support and assistance to developing countries which are severely affected by the global economic slowdown.

15. Indonesia stands ready to enhance our cooperation with UNIDO and its Member States in promoting and accelerating sustainable industrial development.

16. We look forward to fruitful discussions with all delegates in this IDB-51. Thank you.