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Report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of
its fifty-first session

Addendum

Resumed fifty-first session of 29 November 2023

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Introduction

1. In accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the Board, the President of the Industrial Development Board adjourned the fifty-first session of the Board for the purpose of deciding on the application of the International Economic Senate (Internationaler Wirtschaftssenat e.V., IWS), a non-governmental organization applying for consultative status with UNIDO, as submitted to the Board under agenda item 16, matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.

2. The report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its resumed fifty-first session is presented to the General Conference in accordance with Article 9.4 (c) of the Constitution. As per decision of the Board IDB.46/Dec.3 (e), the Secretariat continues replacing written summary records of the Industrial Development Board and the General Conference with digital records. These are available through the UNIDO Extranet.

I. Organizational and procedural matters

3. The resumed fifty-first session of the Board was held at UNIDO headquarters, Vienna International Centre, on 29 November 2023 (one plenary meeting).

4. The President of the fifty-first session of the Board, H.E. Mr. Magdi Ahmed Mofadal Elnour (Sudan) presided over the resumed session.

Participation

5. The following 48 of the 52 members of the Board\(^1\) were represented at the session: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, China, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates and Uruguay.

6. The following 38 Member States of UNIDO also participated in the session: Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bulgaria, Chile, Colombia, Côte d’Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Malaysia, Montenegro, Mozambique, Myanmar, Oman, Paraguay, Philippines, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Saudi Arabia, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, State of Palestine, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uruguay, Viet Nam and Yemen.

7. The following United Nations body was represented: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

8. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented: the European Union, International Centre for Promotion of Enterprise (ICPE) and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM).

9. The following non-governmental organizations were represented: China Chamber of International Commerce, FONPLATA, International Federation of Automatic Control (IFAC) and Soroptimist International.

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\(^1\) As per Article 9.1 of the UNIDO Constitution, the Board shall consist of 53 members of the Organization elected by the Conference. One seat from List C remains vacant. Currently the Board consists of 52 members.
II. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations (item 16)

10. The Board resumed its fifty-first session to continue the consideration of agenda item 16, matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.

11. The Board had before it a note by the Director General on an application from a non-governmental organization for consultative status (IDB.51/27).

12. The Board considered a draft decision submitted by the President (IDB.51/L.14) and adopted decision IDB.51/Dec.13 below.

IDB.51/Dec.13 Application from a non-governmental organization for consultative status

The Industrial Development Board:

(a) Took note of the information contained in document IDB.51/27;

(b) Decided, in accordance with Article 19.1 (b) of the Constitution and the guidelines for the relationship of UNIDO with intergovernmental, governmental, non-governmental and other organizations (General Conference decision GC.1/Dec.41, annex, para. 17), to grant consultative status with UNIDO to the following non-governmental organization:

International Economic Senate (Internationaler Wirtschaftssenat e.V., IWS).

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III. Adoption of the report (item 19)

13. Under item 19, the Board considered the draft report (IDB.51/L.1/Rev.1/Add.1) and adopted it as a whole with the understanding that the Rapporteur would be entrusted with the task of finalizing the report.

IV. Closure of the session

Annex

**Documents submitted to the Board at its resumed fifty-first session of 29 November 2023**

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