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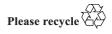
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Decisions and resolutions, including the Lima Declaration, of the General Conference

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### Introductory note

1. The decisions and resolutions, including the Lima Declaration, adopted by the General Conference at its fifteenth regular session (2013) are reproduced in the present document.

2. The table of contents, for ease of reference, lists a serial number by which each decision or resolution may be cited, the title of each decision and resolution, the pertinent background document(s), a reference to the summary record of the plenary meeting at which the decision or resolution was adopted and the relevant agenda item. Decisions and resolutions are, as far as possible, set out in the order of the agenda.

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- 1. Opening of the session.
- 2. Election of officers.
- 3. Adoption of the agenda.
- 4. Organization of work.
- 5. Credentials of representatives to the Conference.
- 6. Elections to organs:
  - (a) Industrial Development Board;
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- 7. Annual reports of the Director General on the activities of the Organization for 2011 and 2012.
- 8. Reports of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its fortieth and forty-first regular sessions.
- 9. Forum on industrial development issues.
- 10. Financial matters:
  - (a) Scale of assessments of Member States;
  - (b) Financial situation of UNIDO;
  - Working Capital Fund;
  - (d) Financial regulations;
  - (e) Appointment of an External Auditor.
- 11. Programme and budgets, 2014-2015.

- 12. Medium-term programme framework.
- 13. Outcome document of the informal working group on the future, including programmes and resources, of UNIDO, entitled "Strategic Guidance Document".
- 14. Lima Declaration and Plan of Action 2013.
- 15. UNIDO activities related to energy and the environment.
- 16. UNIDO activities related to agribusiness, trade capacity-building and job creation.
- 17. UNIDO activities related to the Vienna Ministerial Declaration and Plan of Action of the Least Developed Countries and to cooperation with middle-income countries.
- 18. Report on the work of the Multilateral Diplomatic Committee in UNIDO.
- 19. Personnel matters, including UNIDO Staff Pension Committee.
- 20. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations.
- 21. Date and place of the sixteenth session.
- 22. Closure of the session.

### Decisions

### GC.15/Dec.1 ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

The General Conference elected by acclamation H.E. Ms. Gladys Triveño Chan Jan (Peru) President of the Conference at its fifteenth session.

1st plenary meeting 2 December 2013

# GC.15/Dec.2 ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENTS

The General Conference elected the following Vice-Presidents of the Conference at its fifteenth session: H.E. Mr. Konrad Max Scharinger (Germany), H.E. Mr. Gabriel Aguilera Peralta (Guatemala), H.E. Mr. Pal Varga-Koritar (Hungary), H.E. Mr. Surood Rashid Najib (Iraq), Mr. Tsuyoshi Yamamoto (Japan), H.E Mr. Michael Oyugi (Kenya), H.E. Mr. Aliyar Lebbe Abdul Azeez (Sri Lanka), H.E. Ms. Grace Tsitsi Mutandiro (Zimbabwe).

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### GC.15/Dec.3 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The General Conference adopted the agenda of its fifteenth session as contained in document GC.15/1.

2nd plenary meeting 2 December 2013

### GC.15/Dec.4 ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The General Conference:

(a) Decided to cover agenda items 7 to 21 in the plenary in the form of a general debate;

(b) Also decided to establish, in accordance with rule 44 of its rules of procedure, one Main Committee, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. James Brennan (Ireland), on which each Member participating in the Conference may be represented;

(c) Further decided to refer agenda items 7 to 21 to the Main Committee for a more focused debate aimed at the preparation of consensus draft decisions and resolutions for submission to the plenary and requested the Chairman of the Main Committee to submit to the Conference on 6 December 2013, a written report on its work in accordance with decision GC.3/Dec.11.

3rd plenary meeting 3 December 2013

### GC.15/Dec.5 APPOINTMENT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The General Conference appointed the following Members to serve on the Credentials Committee: China, Colombia, France, Gabon, Germany, Kazakhstan, Mexico, the Russian Federation and the United Republic of Tanzania.

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### GC.15/Dec.6 INCLUSION OF TURKMENISTAN IN THE LISTS OF STATES OF ANNEX I TO THE CONSTITUTION

The General Conference decided to include Turkmenistan in List A of Annex I to the Constitution.

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### GC.15/Dec.7 CREDENTIALS OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

### The General Conference:

(a) Having considered the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendations contained therein;

(b) Approved the report of the Credentials Committee.

7th plenary meeting 5 December 2013

# GC.15/Dec.8 APPOINTMENT OF AN EXTERNAL AUDITOR

The General Conference decided to appoint the Auditor General of Germany as the External Auditor for UNIDO for a period of two years, beginning on 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2016, under the terms of reference specified in the Financial Regulations of UNIDO.

7th plenary meeting 5 December 2013

### GC.15/Dec.9 ELECTION OF THE TWENTY-SIX MEMBERS TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The General Conference, in pursuance of Article 9.1 of the Constitution, elected the following twenty-six members to the Industrial Development Board to hold office until the close of the seventeenth regular session of the Conference in 2017:

(a) Eighteen members from States in List A and C of Annex I of the Constitution: Algeria, Argentina, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Guatemala, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Namibia, Pakistan, Philippines, Peru, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zimbabwe;

(b) Six members from States in List B of Annex I to the Constitution: Austria, Greece, Ireland, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey, with one seat remaining vacant;

(c) Two members from States in List D of Annex I to the Constitution: Romania and Russian Federation.

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As a result, the Industrial Development Board is composed of the following fifty-two States: Algeria,\*\* Argentina,\*\* Austria,\*\* Belgium,\* Brazil,\* Burkina Faso,\*\* Cameroon,\*\* China,\* Costa Rica,\* Côte d'Ivoire,\*\* Cuba,\*\* Czech Republic,\* Ecuador,\* Egypt,\* Finland,\* France,\*\*\* Germany,\* Ghana,\* Greece,\*\* Guatemala,\*\* Hungary,\* India,\*\* Iran (Islamic Republic of),\*\* Ireland,\*\* Italy,\* Japan,\* Jordan,\*\* Kuwait,\* Lesotho,\* Mexico,\* Namibia,\*\* Nigeria,\* Norway,\* Pakistan,\*\* Peru,\*\* Philippines,\*\* Poland,\* Republic of Korea,\* Romania,\*\* Russian Federation,\*\* South Africa,\* Spain,\*\* Sri Lanka,\* Sudan,\* Sweden,\* Switzerland,\*\* Syrian Arab Republic,\*\* Thailand,\* Tunisia,\*\* Turkey,\*\* Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of),\*\* Zimbabwe.\*\* One of the List B seats remained vacant.\*\*

### GC.15/Dec.10 ELECTION OF THE TWENTY-SEVEN MEMBERS TO THE PROGRAMME AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

The General Conference, in pursuance of Article 10.1 of the Constitution, elected the following twenty-seven members to the Programme and Budget Committee to hold office until the close of the sixteenth regular session of the Conference in 2015:

(a) Fifteen members from States in List A and C of Annex I to the Constitution: Brazil, Cameroon, China, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Togo;

(b) Nine members from States in List B of Annex I to the Constitution: Austria, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey;

(c) Three members from States in List D of Annex I to the Constitution: Poland, Russian Federation and Ukraine.

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### GC.15/Dec.11 SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS OF MEMBER STATES

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of document IDB.41/6/Rev.1;

(b) Also took note of Board decision IDB.41/Dec.9;

(c) Decided to establish a scale of assessments for the fiscal period 2014-2015 based on United Nations General Assembly resolution 67/238, adjusted to the membership of UNIDO, on the understanding that new members shall be assessed for the year in which they become members on the basis of the United Nations scale of assessments, as applicable to UNIDO.

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<sup>\*</sup> Twenty-five States whose term of office expires at the end of the sixteenth regular session of the General Conference in 2015 (decision GC.14/Dec.10 of 2 December 2011).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Twenty-six States whose term of office expires at the end of the seventeenth regular session of the General Conference in 2017 (decision GC.15/Dec.9 of 6 December 2013).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Term of office ends on 31 December 2014.

## GC.15/Dec.12 FINANCIAL SITUATION OF UNIDO

#### The General Conference:

(a) Took note of the information provided in document GC.15/11;

(b) Urged those Member States and former Member States that had not yet paid their assessed contributions, including advances to the Working Capital Fund and prior years' arrears, to do so without delay;

(c) Requested the Director General to pursue his efforts and contacts with Member States and former Member States to effect the collection of arrears;

(d) Also requested the Director General to continue his efforts to ensure that current Member States sustain their support to the Organization.

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# GC.15/Dec.13 UNUTILIZED BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of the distribution of document GC.15/14;

(b) Underlined the necessity of strictly adhering to the provisions of the UNIDO Financial Regulations;

(c) Recalled Industrial Development Board decision entitled "Programme and budgets, 2014-2015" (IDB.41/Dec.12) and that Member States had approved the release of office space in order to reduce  $\notin$ 1,280,000 in operating costs (IDB.41/5/Add.1);

(d) Acknowledged the request of the Director General of UNIDO to retain the aforementioned office space in order to strengthen the operations of the Organization;

(e) Recalled that, according to the provisions of the Financial Regulations of UNIDO, the unutilized balances of appropriations should be returned to the Member States;

(f) Decided, as an exceptional measure, without setting a precedent for the future work of the Organization, that from the amount of unutilized balances of appropriations due to Member States in 2014, remaining on 31 December 2013 and voluntarily renounced to the Organization, up to  $\notin 1,280,000$  may be utilized to retain the

office space in the biennium 2014-2015, if so allocated for that purpose by the Member State voluntarily renouncing its share of unutilized balances;

(g) Also decided, that all funds used to retain the office space shall be limited to the unutilized balances of appropriations due to Member States in 2014, remaining on 31 December 2013, and voluntarily renounced for that purpose by Member States, and shall be managed through a special account established for that purpose;

(h) Encouraged Member States to consider voluntarily renouncing their shares of the unutilized balances of appropriations in order to strengthen the programmes of UNIDO and/or to fund the retention of the aforementioned office space;

(i) Requested the Director General to report to the Board at its forty-second and forty-third sessions, through the Programme and Budget Committee, on the implementation of the present decision.

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### GC.15/Dec.14 WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of Board decision IDB.41/Dec.10;

(b) Decided that the level of the Working Capital Fund for the biennium 2014-2015 should remain at  $\epsilon$ 7,423,030 and that the authorized purposes of the Fund for the biennium 2014-2015 should remain the same as for the biennium 2012-2013, i.e. as stipulated in decision GC.2/Dec.27, paragraph (b);

(c) Urged Member States to pay their outstanding assessed contributions as soon as possible to minimize the need to withdraw sums from the Working Capital Fund to meet shortfalls in the payment of assessed contributions.

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### GC.15/Dec.15 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of the information contained in document IDB.41/14, including the proposed amendment to the financial regulations deemed necessary for

compliance with the schedule of regular sessions of the policymaking organs;

(b) Also took note of the recommendation of the Industrial Development Board in decision IDB.41/Dec.11;

(c) Decided to adopt the amendment to the Financial Regulations of UNIDO as set out in the annex to the present decision.

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#### Annex

### Amendment to the Financial Regulations of UNIDO

### ARTICLE XI. EXTERNAL AUDIT

### Reporting

<u>Regulation 11.10</u>: The External Auditor's reports, together with the audited financial statements, shall be completed not later than 20 April and shall be transmitted through the Programme and Budget Committee to the Board in accordance with directions given by the Conference. The Programme and Budget Committee shall examine the financial statements and the audit reports and submit recommendations to the Board, which shall forward them to the Conference with such comments, as it deems appropriate.

### GC.15/Dec.16 PROGRAMME AND BUDGETS, 2014-2015

#### The General Conference:

(a) Took note of decision IDB.41/Dec.12 whereby the Industrial Development Board adopted the programme and budgets for the biennium 2014-2015, as contained in documents IDB.41/5 and Add.1 and requested the Director General to brief the Member States regularly and to report to the Board at its forty-second and forty-third sessions through the Programme and Budget Committee on its implementation;

(b) Approved estimates of regular budget gross expenditures of  $\notin 147,251,013$  to be financed from assessed contributions in the amount of  $\notin 143,743,513$  and other income of  $\notin 3,507,500$ ;

(c) Also approved estimates of gross expenditures totalling  $\in 32,819,400$  for the purpose of the operational budget for the biennium 2014-2015 to be financed from voluntary contributions in the amount of  $\in 32,765,600$  and

other income amounting to  $\notin$  53,800 as may be provided for in the financial regulations.

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### GC.15/Dec.17 MEDIUM-TERM PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of decision IDB.41/Dec.13;

(b) Recalled General Conference decision GC.14/Dec.18 concerning the alignment of the medium-term programme framework with the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

(c) Also recalled General Assembly resolution 67/226 of 21 December 2012, adopting the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

(d) Decided that, pending consideration of the application of provisions of General Assembly resolution 67/226 to specialized agencies, the medium-term programme framework 2010-2013 remain in force until the expiry of the forthcoming budget biennium, 2014-2015;

(e) Requested the Director General to submit from 2015 onwards, on a quadrennial basis, to the Board in the second year of a biennium, through the Programme and Budget Committee, a draft medium-term programme framework for four years, taking into account the Lima Declaration: Towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development;

(f) Also requested the Director General when submitting the draft, to take into account the recommendations of the latest comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development and the recommendations of the outcome document of the informal working group on the future, including programmes and resources, of UNIDO, entitled "Strategic Guidance Document".

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#### GC.15/Dec.18 "STRATEGIC GUIDANCE DOCUMENT"

#### The General Conference:

(a) Welcomed the outcome document of the informal working group on the future, including programmes and resources, of UNIDO, entitled "Strategic Guidance Document" (IDB.41/24);

(b) Recalled Board decision IDB.41/Dec.14 and asked the Director General to consider the "Strategic Guidance Document" as an essential contribution for the formulation and implementation of medium-term programme frameworks, programmes and budgets, and other operational programmes of UNIDO;

(c) Endorsed the recommendations relating to management criteria contained in the "Strategic Guidance Document", and requested the Director General to report on their implementation.

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### GC.15/Dec.19 PERSONNEL MATTERS, INCLUDING UNIDO STAFF PENSION COMMITTEE

The General Conference:

(a) Took note of Board decision IDB.41/Dec.15;

(b) Decided to approve, in accordance with staff regulation 13.2, the amendment to staff regulation 10.2, by

which the mandatory age of separation for staff appointed on or after 1 January 2014 be established at 65 years;

(c) Decided to elect the following two members and two alternate members of the UNIDO Staff Pension Committee for the biennium 2014-2015:

Members:	Ms. Savitri Panabokke (Sri Lanka) Mr. Pierluigi Colapinto (Italy)
Alternate members:	Mr. Amar Chemakh (Algeria) Mr. Sergio Alois García Hofer (Mexico);

(d) Authorized the Industrial Development Board election proceed with the for any of to that might the above-mentioned posts become before the General Conference holds vacant its sixteenth session.

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# GC.15/Dec.20 DATE AND PLACE OF THE SIXTEENTH SESSION

The General Conference decided that its sixteenth session shall be held in Vienna from 30 November to 4 December 2015.

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### **Resolutions, including the Lima Declaration**

### GC.15/Res.1 LIMA DECLARATION: TOWARDS INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The General Conference adopted at its fifteenth session of the General Conference held in Lima, Peru, the Lima Declaration: Towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development, as contained in the annex to the present resolution. The adoption was witnessed by the United Nations Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon and the President of the Republic of Peru, His Excellency Mr. Ollanta Humala Tasso.

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#### Annex

1. We, the Heads of State and Government, Ministers, and Representatives, gathered at the fifteenth session of the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) in Lima, Peru, recognize that poverty eradication remains the central imperative. This can only be achieved through strong, inclusive, sustainable and resilient economic and industrial growth, and the effective integration of the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.

2. The underlying principles of the Lima Declaration on Industrial Development and Cooperation adopted in 1975<sup>1</sup> have stood the test of time: industrialization is a driver of development. Industry increases productivity, job creation and generates income, thereby contributing to poverty eradication and addressing other development goals, as well as providing opportunities for social inclusion, including gender equality, empowering women and girls and creating decent employment for the youth. As industry develops, it drives an increase of value addition and enhances the application of science, technology and innovation, therefore encouraging greater investment in skills and education, and thus providing the resources to meet broader, inclusive and sustainable development objectives.

3. Since 1975, economic, political, social and technological developments, along with structural changes in global trade, have revolutionized the lives and livelihoods of many. Yet serious structural challenges remain for countries at different stages of development, foremost among which is eradication of poverty. These challenges also include inequalities within and between countries, unemployment and poor access to financial resources and economic opportunities, deindustrialization, depletion of natural resources, and the intensifying threats of environmental degradation and climate change.

4. The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) have provided a common vision and contributed to remarkable progress. Significant and substantial advances have been made in meeting several of the targets in which UNIDO has been successfully contributing. Among and within developing countries, those who have been left furthest behind require our most urgent attention and support. We recognize that the post-2015 development agenda should reinforce the international community's commitment to poverty eradication through, among others, inclusive and sustainable industrial development and underscore the central imperative of poverty eradication reaffirmed in the outcome document of the 2013 MDG special event<sup>2</sup> and in other relevant United Nations documents. We acknowledge with appreciation the processes mandated in the Rio+20 outcome document<sup>3</sup> that are now underway. In this context, industrial development has gained increasing recognition as an important driver of economic growth.

5. We recall our commitment to the MDGs and we welcome the decision of the United Nations General Assembly<sup>4</sup> to launch a process of intergovernmental negotiations at the beginning of its sixty-ninth session, which will lead to the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda, while we reaffirm the importance of promoting human rights, good governance, the rule of law, transparency and accountability at all levels.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Lima Declaration on Industrial Development and Cooperation was adopted by the Second General Conference of UNIDO in Lima, Peru, 12-26 March 1975, at its final plenary meeting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Outcome document of the special event to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals (A/68/L.4\*).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled "The future we want", A/RES/66/288\*.

<sup>4</sup> A/68/L.4\*, para. 20.

6. We therefore deepen our commitment towards achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development, and we reaffirm the unique mandate of UNIDO in supporting our countries in achieving this goal.

7. While integrating in a balanced way all three dimensions of sustainable development - economic, social and environmental - we believe that the effective measures towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development should encompass enhancing productive capacities in a way that supports the structural transformation of the economy; encourages economic growth and the creation of decent jobs; enhances productivity and development, transfer and absorption of technology on mutually agreed terms, infrastructure and technological innovation; advances trade and development, particularly in the small and medium-sized enterprise sector, micro-industries and other new forms of community-based entities; promotes the sustainable use, management and protection of natural resources and the ecosystem services they provide; and supports related research and development.

8. We welcome the outcome document of the informal working group on the future, including programmes and resources, of UNIDO, entitled "Strategic Guidance Document".<sup>5</sup>

9. We stress the relevance of inclusive and sustainable industrial development as the basis for sustained economic growth, and encourage, while respecting the processes established by the United Nations General Assembly, appropriate consideration of the issue in the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda.

10. We welcome in this regard UNIDO's active engagement in the ongoing process of elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda in accordance with the outcome document of the 2013 MDG special event.

11. We recognize the diversity of ways towards sustainable development and in this regard recall that each country has the primary responsibility for its own development and the right to determine its own development paths and appropriate strategies.

12. We task UNIDO, when requested, to assist Member States towards achieving enhanced levels of inclusive and sustainable industrial development, with the aim of, inter alia, expanding and diversifying manufacturing value added, enhancing domestic entrepreneurial and technological capabilities for sustainable development and competitiveness, improving in equality and access to decent jobs in industry, and reducing the environmental impact, based on the Rio Principles.<sup>6</sup>

13. We call upon UNIDO to enhance its support for the efforts of countries towards achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development. We further request the Director General to report regularly to the General Conference on UNIDO's assistance to Member States towards achieving enhanced levels of inclusive and sustainable industrial development and on its developmental impact.

14. We believe that the Organization has a particular role as the central coordinator of international cooperation towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the United Nations system and should continue to include industry-related services so that the Organization may fully support in all steps of the value chain. This entails strengthening all of its functions in the fields of technical cooperation, action-oriented research and policy advisory services, standards and compliance, and its convening role. In this sense, the core activities and technical cooperation to be implemented by UNIDO in this context can be expressed in terms of building and qualitatively improving industrial capacities.

In the spirit of cooperation, strengthening existing 15. and forging new partnerships and networks at global, regional and subregional levels and the full involvement of all relevant stakeholders towards achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development are fundamental for overcoming the prevailing development challenges and achieving prosperity. These partnerships should include, inter alia, governments, international organizations, representatives of the public and private sectors, financial institutions, academia and civil society. With North-South cooperation remaining the core of global development partnership, these partnerships should also encompass fulfilment of MDG commitments. Other forms of cooperation such as South-South, triangular and multilateral cooperation, as well as other platforms, also play an essential role in this objective.

16. International cooperation for industrial development remains a key means for achieving the benefits of industrial

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Document IDB.41/24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, A/CONF.151/26 (Vol. I).

development. The Lima Declaration adopted in 1975 paved the way for a structured global system of consultations between and among industries and nations. We believe that now is the time to strengthen international cooperation for industrial development, which should be based on foreign direct investment, transfer of knowledge and technology, appropriate financial mechanisms, and new partnerships built on a broad multi-stakeholder basis, and on mutually agreed terms.

17. We reaffirm our commitment to UNIDO as an Organization with a unique mandate to promote, dynamize and accelerate industrial development, within the United Nations system, to provide services for the benefit of its Member States and the global community through cooperation on global, regional and national, as well as on sectoral levels; and recognize the critical contribution it makes to industrial development.

18. We believe that the approaches adopted by the Organization must be periodically reviewed to ensure that it remains aligned with agreed United Nations system-wide frameworks and responds effectively to emerging new developmental challenges. To this end, the Organization needs more robust and results-oriented monitoring and evaluation mechanisms, and improved reporting formats that better suit the requirements of Member States.

19. We are convinced that technical cooperation is a primary operative function of UNIDO, and we further recognize that other, equally relevant, complementary functions, such as the convening and partnerships role, normative functions and standard related activities as well as policy advice (understood as assistance to the Member States in the implementation of norms and standards) should be enhanced and implemented through projects and programmes. UNIDO's convening power should serve better the implementation of technical cooperation activities. We call upon UNIDO to enhance its results-based approach, with improved transparency and visible value for money.

20. In this line, we welcome that the Organization interacts with relevant international organizations and financial institutions, with a view to putting forward the objectives of UNIDO in the multilateral negotiations and activities taking place in those organizations.

21. In order to address current challenges faced by its Member States, UNIDO should serve as a global facilitator of knowledge and advice on policies and strategies towards achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development; and should focus on the three thematic priorities in which it has comparative advantage and expertise: productive capacity-building, trade capacity-building, and sustainable production and industrial resource efficiency.

22. The Organization should strive to provide the full range of its development services according to the differentiated needs of Member States, in support of their national industrial priorities and strategies and the need for appropriate responses. Given their unique development challenges and needs, special attention should continue to be given to the least developed countries. Due consideration should also continue to be given to countries with different stages of development, including, inter alia, middle-income countries and countries with economies in transition.

23. We recognize that the Organization has a special role in ensuring progress towards the achievement of the objective on inclusive and sustainable industrial development. The Organization should therefore promote dialogue and multi-stakeholder partnerships in order to monitor and foster progress towards the achievement of inclusive and sustainable industrial development.

24. We call upon all the Member States to ensure adequate funding for UNIDO, inter alia, through full and timely payment of assessed contributions to the regular budget and through voluntary contributions for technical cooperation and support services in each of its thematic priorities with cross-cutting issues, in order to meet the full level of the Organization's core and operational activities, taking into consideration the demands of Member States.

> Adopted at the fifteenth session of the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Lima, Peru, 2 December 2013

### GC.15/Res.2 UNIDO AND THE POST-2015 UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT AGENDA NEGOTIATIONS

### The General Conference,

*Recalling* United Nations General Assembly resolution 68/6 of 9 October 2013 on the outcome document of the special event to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals,

*Welcoming* the decision of the United Nations General Assembly to launch a process of intergovernmental

negotiations at the beginning of its sixty-ninth session, which will lead to the adoption of the post-2015 United Nations development agenda,

*Taking note* of the ongoing discussions of the Open Working Group for the elaboration of the Sustainable Development Goals,

*Welcoming* also the adoption of the Lima Declaration: Towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development (GC.15/13), which stresses the relevance of inclusive and sustainable industrial development as the basis for sustained economic growth, and encourages, while respecting the processes established by the United Nations General Assembly, appropriate consideration of the issue in the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda,

*Taking note* of UNIDO's active engagement in the ongoing process of elaboration of the post-2015 United Nations development agenda, working with the United Nations Secretary-General, to appropriately contribute to the deliberations of Member States related to the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda,

1. *Requests* the Director General to continue briefing periodically Member States on the participation of UNIDO and the coordination between UNIDO and the Secretary-General in the ongoing process of elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda;

2. *Further requests* the Director General to present a report on this matter to the forty-second session of the Industrial Development Board.

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### GC.15/Res.3 PARTNERSHIPS TOWARDS INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

#### The General Conference:

*Recalling* Article 19 of the Constitution and its decision GC.1/Dec.41 of 12 December 1985 entitled "Guidelines for the relationship of UNIDO with intergovernmental, governmental, non-governmental and other organizations",

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolution 65/175 of 20 December 2010 on industrial development cooperation and the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012, "The future we want", which acknowledged the important role of partnerships and welcomed regional and cross-regional initiatives for sustainable development,

Underlining the value of UNIDO as a global forum for the dissemination of global and regional trends in the field of industrial strategies, successful industrialization experiences and best practices among experts and policymakers at the global and regional level,

*Considering* that partnerships can be an effective industrial development tool and serve as joint action structures in which complementary resources (know-how, technology, skills, funding and equipment) can be tapped and different interests be balanced,

Acknowledging that partnerships on sustainable development, involving all relevant stakeholders, could help countries to learn from one another in identifying appropriate sustainable development policies, including green economy policies, networking and experience sharing at all levels,

Requests the Director General:

(a) To continue to build and strengthen existing partnerships with United Nations organizations, as well as with other stakeholders, including in the private sector, towards achieving and promoting inclusive and sustainable industrial development through increased coherence within the United Nations system;

(b) To encourage existing and new partnerships with international development institutions and the public and private sector to increase the impact of technical cooperation towards promoting inclusive and sustainable industrial development;

To enhance cooperation with regional and (c) partnerships, involving all relevant cross-regional stakeholders, towards promoting inclusive and sustainable industrial development, overcoming the prevailing development challenges leading to sustainable economic growth in developing countries, inter alia, through supporting development of sustainable energy and energysaving technologies in developing countries. These partnerships may include, inter alia, governments, international organizations representatives of the public and private sectors, financial institutions, academia and civil society, encompassing North-South, South-South, triangular and multilateral cooperation including specific platforms, among others like the Green Bridge Partnership Programme and the Green Industry Platform;

(d) To ensure that any partnership under this resolution is carried out in accordance with the legal framework of the Organization.

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### GC.15/Res.4 UNIDO ACTIVITIES IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

The General Conference,

*Considering* the importance of making progress towards the achievement of inclusive and sustainable industrial development for sustained economic growth and poverty eradication,

Acknowledging the necessity of appropriate consideration of global commitment towards the achievement of industrial development in the post-2015 development framework,

*Recalling* the UNIDO strategic long-term vision statement as adopted in resolution GC.11/Res.4,

*Recalling also* General Conference resolutions GC.8/Res.2 on the Global Environment Facility and technical cooperation activities and GC.10/Res.5 on the role of UNIDO in achieving the Millennium Development Goals,

*Taking note* of the information provided in the reports by the Director General on UNIDO activities related to energy and environment (GC.15/5 and GC.15/6),

*Recognizing* that in order to be sustainable, the development must involve the simultaneous pursuit of inclusive economic growth, social development and environmental protection,

*Recognizing also* the relevance of social inclusion in creating better opportunities for decent job creation and better living conditions for marginalized groups, as technical cooperation projects related to energy and environment also have the potential to generate employment and to improve social and economic inclusion and living conditions,

*Recognizing* further UNIDO's comparative advantage as the specialized agency of the United Nations with expertise in industrial environmental management, industry-related energy efficiency, access to renewable energy for productive uses, promotion of clean technology innovation and environmental sustainability in manufacturing processes, Acknowledging the Organization's advantage in the industry-related implementation of multilateral environmental agreements and its role in furthering a cleaner and more sustainable industrial development through the promotion of energy efficiency in manufacturing processes and the assistance to developing countries and those with economies in transition in the field of renewable energy for industrial application and productive uses,

*Taking note* of the activities undertaken by UNIDO to promote the implementation of energy management in industry through the adoption and conformity with energy management system standards (EnMS), such as ISO 50001,

*Taking note also* of the activities undertaken by UNIDO to develop the Green Industry Initiative as an integral part of sustainable development in its three dimensions,

*Recalling* the outcome of the High-level Conference of Middle-Income Countries held in San José, Costa Rica (GC.15/9), recognizing the Green Industry Platform as a means to advance sustainable development through multi-stakeholder processes and to offer an effective instrument for strengthening international industrial cooperation,

*Taking note* of the outcomes of the third Vienna Energy Forum (VEF 2013) held in Vienna from 28 to 30 May 2013,

*Taking note also* of the outcomes of the meetings on Green Industry at Green Industry Conferences held in Manila (2009), Tokyo (2011) and Guangzhou (2013),

*Recalling* UNIDO's commitment to develop its Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) Programme, build up the Organization's water management projects and strengthen assistance to developing countries and those with economies in transition to prepare their national implementation plans under the framework of the Stockholm Convention as well as to expand the number of its Montreal Protocol projects and beneficiary countries (GC.14/Res.4 and IDB.40/Dec.7),

Acknowledging, in this regard, the contribution of UNIDO working in partnership with sister United Nations agencies, the private sector and civil society, to create human and institutional capacities in developing countries and those with economies in transition for the implementation of industrial environmental and energy projects, as for example through the National Cleaner Production Centres and the recently established global network for Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECPnet), the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN), as well as the UNIDO-UNEP Green Industry Platform,

*Recalling* the successful partnership between UNIDO and the ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE), and the recent signature of a memorandum of understanding for the establishment of an additional regional renewable energy centre together with the East African Community (EAC),

*Requests* the Director General:

(a) To strengthen the implementation and the efficiency of UNIDO programmes co-financed by the Global Environment Facility, the Multilateral Fund for Implementation of the Montreal Protocol, bilateral donors and multi-donor initiatives in industry-related energy and environment fields, with a results-based approach and giving particular attention to the developmental impact of these programmes in the field, including capacity-building required to shift to more sustainable patterns of production;

(b) To foster, in line with national needs and priorities, transfer of know-how, technology transfer on mutually agreed terms, including manufacturing capabilities in the fields of energy efficiency in industrial processes and renewable energies for industrial application and uses particularly in developing countries;

(c) To establish appropriate cooperation mechanisms, including new partnerships and agreements on the implementation of projects and initiatives, with other international and regional organizations in the field of energy and environment, as appropriate at the global, regional and/or national levels, in order to build on complementarities, create synergies and avoid duplications;

(d) To continue developing the Green Industry Platform and to strengthen its effectiveness in building global partnerships between national governments, the productive sector and academia for the promotion of more efficient use of resources in manufacturing processes;

(e) To strengthen the implementation of UNIDO's Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) Programme, while searching for possible synergies with existing regional initiatives, such as inter alia "A resource-efficient Europe" initiative, and in this regard to expand membership of RECPnet;

(f) To continue to promote UNIDO's programme on the transfer of environmentally sound technologies (TEST) and to develop new projects expanding the application of the TEST methodology to other environmental hot spots taking note of similar regional programmes, including inter alia the European Union's SWITCH programme on the promotion and adoption of sustainable production and consumption patterns;

(g) To strengthen the role of the Investment and Technology Promotion Offices, the National Cleaner Production Centres, the South-South Cooperation Centres, and to strengthen and expand the network of the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Centres in order to promote and facilitate the access of developing countries and those with economies in transition to the appropriate advanced technologies in the field of energy and environmental sustainability of industrial processes;

(h) To strengthen UNIDO's existing portfolio of projects on the productive and sustainable management of waste, particularly electronic and electrical waste (e-waste) and to further pursue existing and emerging projects aimed at the development of eco-industrial parks in developing and emerging economies;

(i) To also strengthen the role of UNIDO in promoting and disseminating international energy management standards and best practices of industrial energy efficiency;

(j) To continue to work with UNEP and partners in making the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) operational, in line with the decisions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, with the objective to provide developing country parties with cutting-edge technical assistance for climate technologies development and transfer;

(k) To continue UNIDO's participation in the Global Mercury Partnership;

(l) To report to the forty-second session of the Industrial Development Board on further developments regarding the implementation of the present resolution.

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### GC.15/Res.5 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES

The General Conference,

*Taking note* that a significant number of UNIDO's 172 Member States are middle-income countries,

*Welcoming* the adoption of the Lima Declaration: Towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development,

*Taking note* with appreciation of the High-level Conference of the Middle-Income Countries convened in San José, Costa Rica, from 12 to 14 June 2013 and the resulting San José Declaration, entitled "Challenges for Sustainable Development and International Cooperation in Middle-Income Countries: The Role of Networks for Prosperity" and contained in the decision IDB.41/Dec.4,

Underscoring the significant contribution of middleincome countries to global development efforts, and recognizing the ever-increasing importance of international industrial cooperation, knowledge creation and sharing, industrial policy advice, as well as multi-stakeholder partnerships in meeting the development needs of middleincome countries,

1. *Invites* the Director General to advance UNIDO's international industrial cooperation activities with middle-income countries;

2. Without prejudice to the Organization's overall priorities and mandate, *invites* UNIDO to continue to work closely with middle-income countries and contribute to:

(a) Further enhancing their role and interests in global and local inclusive and sustainable industrial development;

(b) Further strengthening their engagement in the processes related to the formulation of the post-2015 development framework and the Sustainable Development Goals;

(c) Facilitating dialogue with related intergovernmental mechanisms, and allowing for middle-income countries' inputs to various relevant processes;

3. *Requests* the Director General to report on related UNIDO activities to the Industrial Development Board at its forty-second session.

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### GC.15/Res.6 LIMA MINISTERIAL DECLARATION FOR THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

The General Conference:

*Taking note* of the Ministerial Conference of the Least Developed Countries convened in Lima from 30 November to 1 December 2013,

*Taking note also* of the Lima Ministerial Declaration for the Least Developed Countries adopted by the Ministerial Conference and contained in the annex to the present resolution,

1. *Invites* the Director General to take special account of the provisions towards achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the least developed countries and provide UNIDO support for the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 (A/CONF.219/3/Rev.1), as set out in the Declaration adopted by the Ministers in Lima on 1 December 2013;

2. *Invites* all development partners to ensure adequate funding for UNIDO in order to develop the full implementation of the Organization's Operational Strategy towards the achievement of inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the least developed countries;

3. *Requests* the Director General to report on related UNIDO activities to the General Conference at its sixteenth session.

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#### Annex

### Ministerial Declaration "From the Istanbul Programme of Action to the World We Want in 2015 and beyond: Implementing the UNIDO LDC Operational Strategy" Lima, 1 December 2013

We, the Ministers of Industry and Heads of Delegation, participating in the fifth UNIDO Ministerial Conference on the Least Developed Countries,

*Gathered* here in Lima, Peru, from 30 November to 1 December 2013 in order to provide strategic guidance for the effective and timely implementation of the UNIDO LDC Operational Strategy for 2012-2020, *Guided* by the Charter of the United Nations and the principles set out in the United Nations Millennium Declaration and the Istanbul Programme of Action and their recognition of the shared responsibility to uphold dignity and a decent standard of living for all humanity,

*Emphasizing* the importance of the outcomes of all major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields, including the United Nations Millennium Declaration, the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, and the four previous UNIDO-OHRLLS LDC Ministerial conferences,

*Recalling* the Istanbul Declaration and Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the decade 2011-2020 adopted at the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries and endorsed by the General Assembly resolution 65/280 of 17 June 2011 which calls upon all the relevant stakeholders to commit to implementing the Programme of Action,

*Reaffirming* the overarching goal of the Istanbul Programme of Action to overcome the structural challenges faced by the Least Developed Countries in order to eradicate poverty, achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including the MDGs and enable graduation from the Least Developed Country category,

*Recognizing* the unmatched capacity of inclusive and sustainable development to add value to domestic resources, create decent employment, generate incomes and wealth, foster economic resilience, enhance knowledge and skills, drive innovation and productivity and lead to an enduring reduction of poverty,

*Expressing* our full support to the efforts of the Least Developed Countries to achieve sustained, inclusive and equitable growth,

*Taking note* of the conclusions and recommendations of the progress report on the Istanbul Programme of Action, and UNIDO major achievements to the benefit of Least Developed Countries after two years of implementation of its LDC Operational Strategy,

*Taking note* of the work of the OHRLLS in facilitating a coordinated implementation and coherence in the follow-up and monitoring of the IPoA and the work of related United Nations bodies in this regard,

### *Declare that*:

1. We stress that poverty eradication remains the central imperative for the LDCs and we note that without systemic and structural changes in the LDCs and without necessary international support, inclusive growth is not possible;

2. We renew our commitment to structurally transform the economies of the LDCs with a view to achieving sustainable development and job creation with the support, cooperation and partnership of the development partners;

3. We emphasise that further strengthening and enhancing the global partnership for the LDCs is needed to overcome the structural challenges of LDCs, achieve internationally agreed development goals and enable half the number of LDCs to meet the criteria for graduation by 2020, and in this regard call upon donor countries to fulfil their ODA commitments towards the LDCs;

4. We recognize the importance of the role and engagement of emerging economies through South-South and triangular cooperation for early implementation of UNIDO's Operational Strategy supporting the LDCs;

5. We stress the mainstreaming of women for promoting development in the LDCs and we acknowledge that achieving the MDGs, the objectives of the IPoA and national economic and development plans, requires rapidly moving towards gender equality and women's empowerment;

6. We reaffirm that the Post-2015 Development Agenda should integrate in a balanced way all the three dimensions of sustainable development — economic, social and environmental — and we stress that poverty eradication can only be achieved through strong, inclusive, sustainable and resilient economic growth;

7. We stress the relevance of inclusive and sustainable industrial development as the basis for enhanced productive capacity and sustained economic growth, and encourage appropriate consideration of the issue in the elaboration of the post-2015 Development Agenda;

8. We recognize that the diversification and augmentation of industrial production and removal of supply side constraints, are important for the growth and development of the LDCs. Availability of resources as agreed internationally, along with technology transfer and productive capacity-building, and most importantly, the market accessibility of LDC exports to the developed countries are of crucial importance;

9. We therefore reiterate our commitment towards achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the Least Developed Countries; and we call upon all the partners to ensure adequate funding for UNIDO in order to develop the full implementation of the Organization's operational strategy towards the achievement of inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the Least Developed Countries.

### Adopted in Lima, Peru, on 1 December 2013

[Signed] His Excellency Mr. Lemi Taefu, Associate Minister of Justice and Courts Administration of Samoa, Rapporteur of 2013 Ministerial Conference

### Annex

# **Documents submitted to the General Conference at its fifteenth regular session**

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GC.15/13	14	Lima Declaration: Towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development. Submitted by the President of the Industrial Development Board, H.E. Mr. Antonio García Revilla (Peru)
GC.15/14	10 (b)	Unutilized balances of appropriations. Report by the Director General
GC.15/15	4	Lists of States included in Annex I to the Constitution of UNIDO. Note by the Secretariat
GC.15/16	-	Report of the Main Committee. Submitted by the Chair of the Main Committee H.E. Mr. James Brennan (Ireland) *****
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