Item 9 - Inclusive and sustainable development in middle-income countries

Additional Interventions – Indonesia and MIC

Madam President,

- 1. Indonesia takes note of the report provided by the Director General on inclusive and sustainable development in middle-income countries (MICs).
- Indonesia commends UNIDO work plan in partnerships with Middle-Income Countries to support the achievement of the SDGs. UNIDO's tailored approach to partnering with MICs aligns with our priorities and supports these countries in navigating the complex pathways of industrialization and sustainable development particularly sustainable development goal (SDG) #9.
- 3. We recognize the diverse challenges and significant contributions of MICs in achieving global development objectives, particularly in the areas of poverty reduction, economic growth, and environmental sustainability.
- 4. The Government of Indonesia welcomes UNIDO's regional approach to ensure the project's adaptability in responding to specific regional challenges.
- 5. We appreciate UNIDO's efforts in fostering partnerships and convening platforms such as the Multilateral Industrial Policy Forum, which will facilitate knowledge exchange on sustainable industrial policy among MICs. We believe that such platforms are key for enabling MICs to access resources, expertise, and innovative solutions that support inclusive and sustainable industrial development.
- 6. In our capacity, Indonesia was also the host of Regional Conference on Industrial Development: Industry 4.0. in November 2021 to boost intraregional cooperation in sharing best practices and experiences as well as technical expertise in industry 4.0. Furthermore, the Indonesian Government extends its hope to play an active role in the South-South and Triangular Industrial Cooperation (SSTIC) by engaging Indonesian experts in the related programmes in the lower-middle-income countries.
- 7. Regarding regional initiatives, Indonesia looks forward to the High-Level Conference of Middle-Income Countries to be hosted by the Philippines on 28-29 April 2025 in Manila, Philippines.
- 8. Lastly, Indonesia encourage UNIDO to continue to incorporate issues related to the specific needs of Middle-Income Countries in its work plan.