WORKSHOP

FOR THE NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR THE DECADE 2001 - 2010

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The five day workshop is organized upon the request of the Group of the Least Developed Countries and as a follow-up to the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, held in May 2001 in Brussels.

The main objectives of the workshop are the following: providing a forum for sharing of national experiences in the establishment and operations of National Forums and in the implementation of the Programme of Action; establishing linkages with other relevant development programmes at the country level like PRSPs, CCA/UNDAFs, and MDGs; identifying roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders in the follow-up and the implementation of the BPOA at the national level; discussion and identification of the monitoring methodology and reporting norms on the national implementation of the BPOA; building a foundation for networking.

The Workshop will apply a combination of joint and group breakout sessions and draw on expert resource persons and National Focal Points experience to transfer knowledge and stimulate discussion.

National Focal Points of 50 Least Developed Countries are primary beneficiaries of the workshop. The Focal Points in the Permanent Missions of LDCs and donor countries, as well as the Focal Points in the UN system and multilateral organizations will be also participate in the workshop.

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