Workshop for the National Focal Points of the Least Developed Countries

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Draft Agenda

10 am -- Opening session

- Opening statement by Mr. Gyan C. Acharya, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS (UN-OHRLLS)
- Statement by H.E. Mr. Jean-Francis Zinsou, Chair of the global coordination bureau of LDCs, Permanent Representative of Benin to the UN in New York
- Briefing on the current status of the Doha Round by H. E. Mr. Shanker Das Bairagi, Chair of the WTO LDC Group, Permanent Representative of Nepal to the UN in Geneva

Session 1: Mainstreaming the Istanbul Programme of Action at the national level

- UN support for the IPoA implementation at the country level
  - Presentation by Ms. Luisa Bernal, UNDP, Trade and Human Development Unit
- National presentations by NFPs
  - on mainstreaming IPoA into national development strategies
  - on national strategies for graduation from the LDC category by 2020
- Interactive debate.

13:00-15:00 Lunch break

Session 2: Mainstreaming the Istanbul Programme of Action at the national level (cont.ed)

- National presentations by NFPs
  - on mainstreaming IPoA into national development strategies
  - on national strategies for graduation from the LDC category by 2020
- Interactive debate.

Session 3: The LDC Portal

- Presentation by Mr. Roland Mollerus, DESA/CDP Secretariat
- Q&A on the LDC Portal.

5:30 pm -- Closing session

Closing remarks by the Under Secretary-General and High Representative