## United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities Friday, 17 May 2023, 3:00-6:00 pm

United Nations Headquarters, ECOSOC Chamber

## **Draft Programme**

 Mr. Junhua Li, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

Election of the President/presiding officer of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

 H.E. Zéphyrin Maniratanga, Permanent Representative of Burundi to the United Nations

Opening statement

 Mr. Junhua Li, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

Putting the redesigned Pledging Conference into Context

 Mr. Navid Hanif, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development. Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

Latest trends and overall funding situation of the United Nations development system

 H.E. Mr. Abdulaziz Alwasil, Permanent Representative of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations

How Saudi Arabia is investing in sustainable development in partnership with the United Nations development system

• Ms. Jennifer Topping, Executive Coordinator, UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office The importance of flexible and predictable funding, recent trends in the funding of interagency pooled funds, partnership/innovation/leveraging for SDG acceleration through inter-agency pooled funds

*Interactive Dialogue with Member States* 

Concluding remarks by the President of the Pledging Conference