



**CDP Open Session “ECOSOC interaction”
Friday 24 February 2023, 10:00-11:30am**

ECOSOC President suggested closing remarks

Distinguished Chair and Members of the Committee for Development Policy,
Member States,
Colleagues,

Thank you, Chair and CDP members, for this thorough overview of your deliberations during the 25th Plenary session of the Committee.

We see once again the Committee’s important contribution to the work of the international community and the UN on sustainable development in the LDCs, and beyond.

As we begin the implementation of the Doha Programme of Action, I am particularly pleased to hear about the contribution of the CDP to the conceptualization of the newly established Sustainable Graduation Support Facility, iGRAD, which is envisioned to provide concrete support to graduating and recently graduated countries.

In addition, the Enhanced Monitoring Mechanism that you have established is timely and much needed, given the uncertainties in the global economy and the recurring challenges faced by the developing countries, especially the LDCs.

I encourage the member states to continue this exchange of ideas with the Committee members on issues that are important to the work of ECOSOC and that would support concrete actions to be put forward at the HLPF in July and at the SDG Summit in September.

The CDP’s work demonstrates the great value of ECOSOC’s subsidiary bodies.

I thank the Committee once again and also note with appreciation the support provided by DESA as its Secretariat.



A big thank you also to all participants for freely sharing their views in this meeting.

Thank you.