



18 October 2021

Excellency,

We have the honor to invite you to participate personally in the Joint Meeting of the Second Committee (Economic and Financial) of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on *“Building productive capacities in Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs), Small Island Developing States (SIDS) as well as Middle-Income countries (MICs) for more resilient recovery and sustainable development in the post-COVID-19 era”*. The Joint Meeting will be held in **Conference Rooms 1, 2 and 3** on Wednesday, 20 October 2021, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The Joint Meeting will aim to explore the opportunities, challenges, key policies, innovations, investments and cooperation needed to build productive capacities in countries in special situation as well as in Middle-Income countries (MICs) as a critical step for recovering better and getting on track towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the Decade of Action and Delivery for sustainable development.

The concept note and programme for the Joint Meeting are posted on the Meeting’s dedicated webpage with the following address: <https://www.un.org/ecosoc/en/events/2021/joint-meeting-economic-and-social-council-and-second-committee-general-assembly->

We would greatly appreciate your personal participation in this important meeting.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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Vanessa Frazier
Chair of the Second Committee

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Collen Vixen Kelapile
President of the Economic and Social Council