1. Key issues and messages

**Definition**
- “Build resilient infrastructure, promote sustainable industrialization and foster innovation.”

**Importance**
- Unleashing economic dynamism and growth
- Efficient use of precious resources
- Facilitates trade

**Implications**
- Additional hurdles for LDCs
- SDG 9 often takes a back seat to more urgent issues
- Investment is a struggle
- Digital platforms increased in certain cases
2. Overview: Current State

- **Technology and connectivity**
  - Increasing swiftly, but variable quality
  - Uncovered areas remain
  - Geographic and disbursed market issues
  - Robust, diverse data unavailable for PICs

- **Implications**
  - Critical to climate change mitigation
  - Population growth predicted in the PICs
  - Overlap with Financial Inclusion and SME finance
3. Call to action: Regional Cooperation

- **Learning**
  - National Voluntary Reviews and Data Reporting

- **Implementing**
  - Enhance Gender Lens
  - Investing in shared infrastructure/ regional public goods
  - Understanding context, Recognition of disparities – R&D

- **Measuring**
  - PICs already have data subsets appropriate to the region
  - Encourage or incentivize sustainability reporting
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