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Towards Sustainable Development: Partnership for Innovation and Technological Capacity Building in the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) of Asia and the Pacific Region

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and
the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)

Bangkok, April 28 and 29, 2015

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Tuesday, April 28, 2015

9.00 – 9.30	Registration	
9.30 – 10.00	Welcome addresses by:	
		The representative of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific (UNESCAP), Bangkok
		The representative of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva
10.00 – 10.15	Coffee Break	
10.15 – 10.45	Theme 1	Innovation and Technology Capacity Building for Development: Concept and Issues of Importance to the Least Developed Countries (LDCs)
	Speakers:	Mr. Marc Proksch, Chief, Business and Development Section, Trade and Investment Division, UNESCAP, Bangkok
		Mr. Kifle Shenkoru, Director, Division for Least Developed Countries, WIPO
10.45 – 12.30	Country Presentations	Sustainable Development and the Role of Innovation and Technology: Trend, Challenges and Opportunities in the LDCs of the Asia and Pacific Region
	Moderator:	To be indicated
	Speakers:	From Afghanistan
		From Bangladesh
		From Bhutan
		From Cambodia
		From Lao People's Democratic Republic
		From Myanmar
		From Nepal
		From Solomon Islands
		From Timor-Leste
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch Break	

14.00 – 15.30

Theme 2

Building Innovation Architecture for Development and Economic Competitiveness:

- (a) The Experience of Malaysia
- (b) The Experience of Thailand
- (c) The Experience of Republic of Korea

Speakers: Dr. Mohamed Shariff Bin Mohamed Din, Advisor on Intellectual Property (IP) and Technology Transfer, Putra Science Park, University Putra Malaysia (UPM), Selangor, Malaysia

Mr. Lee Jeong Hyop, Research Fellow at the Science and Technology Policy Institute (STEPI), Seoul, Republic of Korea

Mr. Somchai Chatratana, Deputy Secretary General, National Science Technology and Innovation Policy Office (STI), Bangkok

Discussions

15.30 – 16.15

Theme 3

National Innovation Systems (NIS) and Technological Capacity Building in the Asia-Pacific Region: The Role of UNESCAP-The Asian and Pacific Center for Transfer of Technology (APCTT)

Speaker: The representative of UNESCAP

Discussions

16.15 – 17.30

Theme 4

Towards Sustainable Development: The Case of WIPO Project on Appropriate Technology for LDCs

- (a) Introduction to Project Concept
- (b) National Experiences of Bangladesh and Nepal

Speakers: The representative of WIPO

Prof. M. Kamal Uddin, Director and Head, Institute of Appropriate Technology, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), Dhaka

Mr. Ramesh Singh Pradhan, Executive Director, Research Centre for Applied Science and Technology (RECAST), Kathmandu

Discussions

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

9.00 – 10.30	Panel Discussion	Framework for Partnership: Innovation and Technological Capacity Building for Sustainable Development Moderator: The representative of the LDCs Group Speakers: Mr. Masato Abe, Economic Affairs Officer, UNESCAP, Bangkok Dr. Mohamed Shariff Bin Mohamed Din Mr. Lee Jeong Hyop Mr. Somchai Chatratana The representative of WIPO
10.30 – 10.45	Coffee Break	
10.45 – 12.30	Thematic Working Group (I)	Framework for Partnership: Policy and Institutional Issues Moderator: The representative of the LDCs Group
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch Break	
14.00 – 16.00	Thematic Working Group (II)	Framework for Partnership: Strategies and Implementation Issues Moderator: The representative of the LDCs Group
16.00 – 16.15	Coffee Break	
16.15 – 17.45	Round Table	The Proposed Establishment of a Multi-year Cooperation Framework for Partnership for Innovation and Technological Capacity Building in the LDCs of the Asia and Pacific Region: The Way Forward (a) Strategic Goals (b) Roadmap and Action Plan Moderator: The representative of the LDCs Group Speakers: All participants
17.45	Conclusions and Closing Ceremony	

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