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Concept Note

Advancing Energy Transition in the Global South: Fostering Sustainable Economic Growth and Building Strategic Partnerships

Organizer

Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation
Organization (GEIDCO)

Co-organizers

UNDP
Permanent Mission of China to the UN
UN-SDSN

Tuesday, July 15, 2025, 13:00-14:30
Conference Room3, UN headquarters, NEW York

Event Description

Focusing on the current state of clean energy development in the Global South and the challenges and opportunities it presents, this side event aims to:

- Promote lasting, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth in the region through clean energy development;
- Create full and productive employment opportunities;
- Strengthen cooperation with international partners;
- Revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development;
- Share successful cases and innovative models.

Highlights

Key highlights include exploring the report **Accelerate the Green and Low-Carbon Development of Energy ,Promote the Modernization of the Global South**.

The event will analyze major challenges currently facing energy development in the Global South and present reference pathways for green energy transition, drawing on China's experience in energy and power development, along with its technological and industrial strengths.

Expected Outcomes

- To further encourage clean energy development in the Global South;
- To enhance the efficiency of energy transitions in developing countries;
- To significantly contribute to sustainable economic growth;
- To strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development;
- To provide effective solutions and pathways for achieving the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Agenda

(Drafted, some speakers to be confirmed)

Networking	
12:30-13:00	Lunch and Networking
Opening Remarks Moderator: Dr. Cheng Zhiqiang, Executive Secretary for Cooperation of Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization (GEIDCO)	
13:00-13:20	1. H.E. Mr. Fu Cong , Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary and Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations 2.H.E.Mr. Li Junhua , Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations 3. H.E. Mr. Achim Steiner , Administrator of United Nations Development Programme 4. Mr. Xin Bao'an , Chairman of GEIDCO(Video)
High Level Dialogue Moderator: Prof. Jeffery D. Sachs, President of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network(UN SDSN)	
13:20-13:45	1. H.E. Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana , Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) 2. H.E. Ms. Rola Dashti , Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UNESCWA) /Senior Representative of High Representative,OHRLLS 3.H.E. Mr. Claver Gatete ,Executive Secretary of Economic Commission for Africa(UNECA) 4.H.E. Mr. Gerd Müller , Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) / H.E. Ms. Rebeca Grynspar ,Secretary-General of UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) 5.Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary and Permanent Representative of Malaysia or Malawi to the United Nations

<p align="center">Special Presentation Moderator: Dr. Cheng Zhiqiang</p>	
13:45-14:00	GEIDCO: <i>Accelerate the Green and Low-Carbon Development of Energy, Promote the Modernization of the Global South</i>
<p align="center">Panel Discussion: Case Studies Moderator: Representative of SEforALL</p>	
14:00-14:20	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Representative from World Bank/Asia Development Bank 2. Prof. Bie Zhaohong, Executive Vice President of Xi'an Jiaotong University of China 3. Representative from World Trade Organization/Food and Agriculture Organization 4. Representative from China Huaneng Group/ China Green Development Investment Group
<p align="center">Q&A and Closing Remarks</p>	
14:20-14:30	Q&A and closing remarks