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PRESTIGIOUS SPEAKERS DISCUSSED OVER STRONG SHARED GREEN SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

AT OECD DEVELOPMENT CENTER 60th ANNIV

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Emerging and developing countries are facing increasing uncertainty and complexity as the world struggles with the increasing fall out of climate change, a major international war, global inflation, a food security crisis and the remnants of the COVID pandemic. Inequality is growing, both within and between countries, and the world's most vulnerable communities are being hit hard. At the same time, the international system is fracturing, with frustration over the dynamics of multilateralism growing both in developing and in developed countries. In that context, international institutions such as the OECD Development Centre, founded upon the initiative of President Kennedy on 23 October 1962, are essential to facilitate the search for common, innovative solutions to these challenges. Ms. Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir the Secretary General of the OECD as Director of the Organization's Development Centre (has been appointed Mid August 2021). She emphasized how she is glad with the outcomes and their effective contributions of the different members of the Development Center, and wishes the USA to come back to the Centre.

Ms. Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir, former Icelandic Minister of Industry, appointed by the Secretary-General of the OECD as Director of the Organization's Development Centre, which works directly with developing and emerging countries in the field economic and social policies. She in a very straight forward fashion, she wrapped up the morning session, while thanking all the participants of the different panels, and especially the members from the EGP, Group of Eminent Personalities and paving the way to new perspectives for the next years to come, and she wished the innovation and the exploitation of data, would serve the people from the city three countries

members of OECD. The Secretary General Mathias Corman, of OECD, who couldn't attend in presence, sent a video message: « Despite the challenges, we have the tools, we have confronted the crisis, inclined the COVID-19, but te role of the development center, has been effective, and let me show ou my appreciation and compliment your contributions and experts, of high quality, towards an inclusive future, for the next 60 other years » he said.

Today on 25 October 2022, decision makers from 53 member countries, from all over the world and at various levels of national income, gathered at the 8th High-Level Meeting of the OECD Development Centre's Governing Board, dedicated to the theme "Strong, shared, green: Development we can do together". Melinda Crane, the renowned American journalist,based now in Germany, moderated the very inspiring sessions, from opening panel session,to round tables, gathering high profile speakers. They have discussed from 10 am, to noon, They will share ideas and learn from one another, meet with renowned experts on sustainable development, and set policy priorities for the international development community.

1ST PANEL SESSION
10:11H45 at OECD Auditorium
Ragga Elín Árnadóttir Director bof the OECD's Development Center , delivered the introductory Remarks, , as she embarked the audience in a flashback on 60 years of global development, and on the contributions of the Development Centre. Jan Rielander addressed the audience, in presence and online, alongside Mrs Ragga , as he presented a vision oh how to achieve « Strong, Shared and Green Development together »?

SPEAKERS OF THE DEBATE AROUND THE ABOVE TOPIC
- Dr Honourable Renganaen Padayachy, Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and development, Mauritius
- Jorge Ivan Gonzales, Director of the National Planning department, Colombia
- Erin Hulme Director of Philanthropy, WHO Foundation
- Imama Djiguiba Abdullah Cisse, Rector of the Salam Plateau Grand Mosque, Cote Ivoire

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2nd PANEL SESSION
12H00 - 13:00 at OECD Auditorium
The second panel session, was unfold amid a and conversation with the Group of Eminent Personalities form the Development Centre of OECD, who shared their insights and even their opinions, on how police are vital, based on the data 's exploitation and statistics, but also how innovation is crucial when it comes to get closer to the beneficiaries and the people, who are remotely reached out through the policy makers.
For instance Ambassador Manuel Escudero recalled why the GEP was set up and what could be hoped to expect from them, \
On the other hand, Stefano Manservisi, expressed the the great expectation of changing the paradigm and shifting to a new the of multilateralism, that takes into account transparency « We have to reinvent u a new way of multilateralism, a new way of find a common ground and common interest to draw out of it new guidelines, and how to translate this into practice » he said. « not only solutions but also the real situations,they were based on dialogue on equal footing and always on evidence based » he highlighted.

Whereas, Helen Clark, who got a big applause,stressed on inclusion and mentioned the importance of implementing the SDG's within the UNGA's agenda, « We need inclusive space and neutral space for evidence and analysis » she said and reminded « In the 2030, SDG made it clear that government and governance need smarter implementations, and a new shift » Helen Clark finally recalled te role of the Development Centre and sent the strong message of never forget about te most vulnerable especially those who suffer already form climate change. Enrique Iglesias highlighted an important point « The set backs to economic in helping countries is frustrating risking the urgence of protects, facing this crisis the Ukraine's conflict is impacting the poor countries the most. In global politics we must be mindful in reality with this context » he recalled.

SPEAKERS OF THE CONVERSATION OVER THE « FUTURE OF THE DEVELOPMENT CENTRE : GEP: GROUP OF EMINENT

PERSONALITIES
- Ambassador Manuel Escudero, Chair of the OECD Development Centre Governing Board & Permanent Representative of Spain to the OECD
- Rt Hon. H3len Clarke, Co-Chair of the GEP, Former PM of New Zealand
- Mr Enrique Iglesias, Co-Chair of the GEP
- Mr Stefano Manservisi, rapporteur of the GEP

Ambassador Manuel Escudero expressed his opinion on « The frustration with multitalteralism that is implemented in developing countries, which are lacking voices in the global assembly Two features were highlighted, for the economic development, to say outside the development device, to be able to implant in the complex landscape, the EGP, internationally to have an innovative concept narrative, and it has been innovative in this center if development » he stated.

Ragga Elín Árnadóttir Director bof the OECD's Development Center , delivered the Conclusion Remarks, after the war up made by Melinda Crane, who moderated the debate in a very due respect to the timing, and offering the microphone to ye flour whenever she could ease the interaction between the panelists and the audience which was public.

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