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**THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
COUNCIL**

"Fostering Global Dialogue for a Better Future"

Dear Delegates,

We send you our warmest regards from the ECOSOC committee. We hope this letter finds you curious and in a good mood.

We truly appreciate your presence at the HIS Global Conclave Edition 2. Our team has been working hard to create an engaging and inspiring event. We look forward to the energy and intelligence each of you will bring to the committee.

As your ECOSOC Chair and Vice Chairs, we are excited to guide you through this year's discussions on global economic, social, and developmental issues that continue to shape our interconnected world. The topics chosen will challenge your analysis and negotiation skills while encouraging original and sustainable solutions to urgent problems.

The Economic and Social Council aims to promote the Sustainable Development Goals, foster cooperation, and support inclusive growth as part of the UN's mission. In an age of economic inequality, climate change, and advancing technology, your voices as delegates will be crucial in creating resolutions that connect communities and strengthen them.

We encourage you to work well with others, listen closely, and participate actively. We believe your contributions will help this committee become a space for impactful policymaking and thoughtful debate. ECOSOC thrives on ideas that balance empathy and realism.

Keep in mind that the Executive Board is here to support you during the conference. Together, let's work toward a more fair, inclusive, and sustainable world.

Sincerely,

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History of the committee:

ECOSOC - The Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) is one of the six main UN bodies established by the 1945 UN Charter. It focuses on promoting global economic and social cooperation and development. Its main responsibility is to guide and coordinate the UN's activities in economic, social, cultural, educational, health, and related areas. Improving living standards, ensuring full employment, addressing global economic and social issues, supporting international cooperation in culture and education, and protecting everyone's fundamental freedoms and human rights are all part of ECOSOC's mission.

Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar of India was the first President of ECOSOC, which held its first meeting in London from January 23 to February 18, 1946. To address new global challenges, ECOSOC has expanded its focus and created a network of subsidiary organizations, including regional commissions, functional commissions, and forums. Early functional commissions covered statistics, population, social development, women's status, narcotics, and human rights, the latter of which became the Human Rights Council in 2006. The regional commissions include those for Western Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe, and Asia and the Pacific.

ECOSOC has become the main venue for overseeing and reviewing important UN conferences and summits, hosting high-level ministerial reviews, development cooperation forums, youth forums, and partnership forums. The council has played a key role in improving UN system coordination and fostering global collaboration on humanitarian and development issues.

Founded in 1945 to coordinate UN efforts in economic, social, and related areas, ECOSOC's work has evolved to address a range of global development and cooperation challenges.

Introduction to the Agenda

Agenda 1: Strengthening Global Partnerships and Financing for Achieving the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals

Strong financial systems and international cooperation are essential to meet the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Many nations find it very challenging to secure the funds needed for key goals in environmental sustainability, health, education, and poverty eradication. To address funding gaps and improve effective implementation, governments, the private sector, civil society, and international organizations must strengthen their partnerships. This topic calls for innovative financing solutions, better policy alignment, and renewed commitment to international cooperation to keep the SDGs on track amid global challenges and economic instability.

Agenda 2: Climate Resilience and Green Innovation - Accelerating Action for a Sustainable Future

Global development progress is at risk due to the growing impacts of climate change. This situation demands urgent focus on green innovation and climate resilience. Developing adaptive capacities and promoting sustainable technologies can lead to low-carbon growth and enhance the resilience of vulnerable communities. This agenda item emphasizes initiatives that incorporate innovation, sustainable practices, and climate adaptation into both national and international development strategies. It calls for collaboration that encourages knowledge sharing, technological advancement, and investment in green infrastructure to ensure a sustainable future for all.

Key Treaties And Achievements

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The 2030 Agenda, adopted by all United Nations member states in 2015, outlines 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) aimed at eradicating poverty, protecting the environment, and promoting peace and prosperity. ECOSOC plays a vital role in fostering partnerships, mobilizing funding, and overseeing the achievement of these goals.

The Financing for Development (FfD) Framework

Building on the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (2015), ECOSOC promotes international cooperation and discussion on funding sustainable development. This framework emphasizes leveraging private investment, international public finance, domestic resources, and innovative financing strategies to help achieve the SDGs, particularly in developing countries.

The Partnership Forum

To enhance cooperation among various stakeholders, ECOSOC established the Partnership Forum. This platform brings together governments, international organizations, the private sector, and civil society to address gaps in international collaboration, share best practices, and support development initiatives.

The Annual Ministerial Review (AMR)

ECOSOC uses the AMR to assess the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and, more recently, the SDGs. It provides member states with a high-level political forum to discuss issues, share experiences, and devise plans to accelerate development outcomes.

The High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)

The HLPF, overseen by ECOSOC, meets annually to provide political leadership, direction, and recommendations related to the SDGs. It ensures member states are accountable and report openly on their progress toward sustainable development.

Global Partnerships for Sustainable Development

ECOSOC supports and endorses several international collaborations, such as the UN Global Compact, Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL), and the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation. These programs foster cooperation across sectors to mobilize resources, technology, and expertise for sustainable development.

The United Nations Development Cooperation Forum (DCF)

Created as a subsidiary of ECOSOC, the DCF examines trends in international development cooperation. It offers a platform for dialogue between donor and recipient countries, international organizations, and other stakeholders to encourage effective development partnerships in support of the SDGs.

The Technology Facilitation Mechanism (TFM)

The TFM supports collaboration on science, technology, and innovation to help implement the 2030 Agenda. ECOSOC assists developing nations in strengthening their capacities and accessing appropriate technologies to promote sustainable development through the coordination of the TFM.

The Social Development Summit Outcomes (1995)

Since the World Summit for Social Development, ECOSOC has been key in advancing social development. Its ongoing efforts promote inclusive policies on gender equality, employment, social integration, and poverty reduction, all of which are essential pillars of the SDGs.

The Global Social Protection Floor Initiative

ECOSOC backs this initiative to help member states establish basic social protection systems. It aims to reduce poverty and vulnerability by ensuring children, the unemployed, and the elderly have access to essential healthcare and income security.

The ECOSOC Dialogue on Environment and Development

This forum fosters regular discussions on environmental challenges and sustainable economic strategies. It encourages cooperation to embed environmental sustainability in development planning and supports the implementation of international environmental agreements.

The Youth Forum

The Youth Forum empowers young people to engage in sustainable development policymaking under the auspices of ECOSOC. It promotes youth leadership, inclusive participation, and innovative solutions to global issues aligned with the SDGs.



As delegates of the Economic and Social Council, you hold the vital responsibility of addressing the world's most pressing socioeconomic challenges with empathy, intellect, and diplomacy.

Your words, ideas, and resolutions have the potential to mirror the real-world workings of international cooperation and sustainable policymaking.

From tackling poverty and unemployment to promoting education, healthcare, and global equality, your discussions will reflect the shared vision of a more inclusive and progressive world.

We encourage you to approach each debate with open-mindedness and respect, embracing the diversity of perspectives that make global dialogue meaningful.

Let this conference be a platform for you to question, analyze, and reimagine the systems that shape our collective future.

Through collaboration and creativity, may you find solutions that inspire action beyond committee walls.

Best of luck, delegates!

Regards,
The ECOSOC Executive Board