**51st session of the Human Rights Council – Side event**

**The Doha Programme of Action for Least Developed Countries: Human Rights Related Challenges and Opportunities**

**Side event to commemorate the adoption of the Doha Programme of Action for Least Developed Countries**

Date and venue: 15 September 2022, 14:00 – 15:00, Room XXV, in a hybrid format, Palais des Nations, Geneva

**To realize the right to development and leave no one behind in the implementation of the Doha Programme of Action, LDCs need to achieve the structural transformation of their economy and generate more and better employment. This requires wider and more decisive support from development partners, according to the principle of duty of international cooperation.**

Realization of human rights, including economic, social and cultural rights and the right to development

**2030 Agenda**:

* “leave no one behind”
* “addressing the needs of those furthest behind first”
* “solidarity with the poorest and with people in vulnerable situations”

⇒ Giving priority to: - LDCs

* The poor in LDCs

Especially due to succession of **recent** **crises**:

* COVID-19
* War in Ukraine
* World inflation of Ps: food, energy, fertilizers
* Rising interest rates
* Slowing down of worldwide economic activity

**Domestically**

* Need to generate **employment** of gradually increasing quality: rising productivity, improving physical and social conditions
	+ How? Developing **productive capacities**
* Improve performance of **agriculture** to combat rural poverty
	+ Build infrastructures: energy, transport, water
	+ Provide extension services
	+ Incorporate environmental considerations: CC adaptation
* **Industrialization**
* **Industrial policy**

**Internationally**

* Wider and more decisive support from development partners
	+ Climate finance
	+ Transfer of technology

⇒ Duty of international cooperation (or duty to cooperate) to eliminate obstacles to sustainable development and to make advances thereto