The event was graced by:

- H.E. Mr. Gospel Kazako, Minister of Information, Malawi
- **H.E.** Dr. **Elioda Tumwesigye**, Minister of Science, Technology, and Innovation, Uganda
- **Dr. Solomon Benor**, Director General for Science and Research Affairs Ministry of Science and Higher Education (MoSHE), Ethiopia
- **Prof. Hasan Mandal**, President of The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey
- **Dr. Victor Konde**, Scientific Affairs Officer, UN Economic Commission for Africa
- Mr. Joshua Setipa, Managing Director, UN Technology Bank for the LDCs

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Allow me to share key policy messages from the side event that the panelists expressed:

1. Science Technology and Innovation is critical for the development and achievement of sustainable development

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