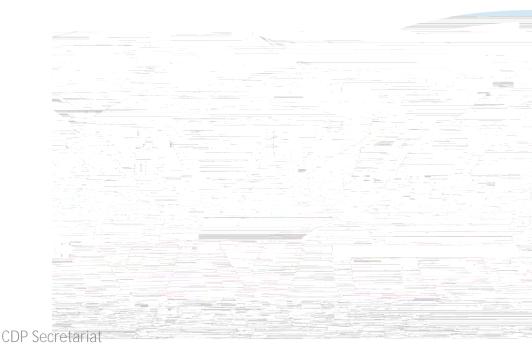
Graduation from LDC status and enhanced support measures for graduating and graduated LDCs

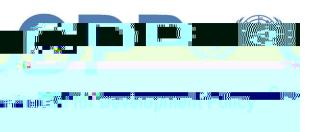
> Matthias Bruckner CDP Secretariat, UN DESA

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Structure

- 1. Rules for graduating from the LDC list
- 2. Outcome of the 2018 triennial review
- 3. Improving graduation support





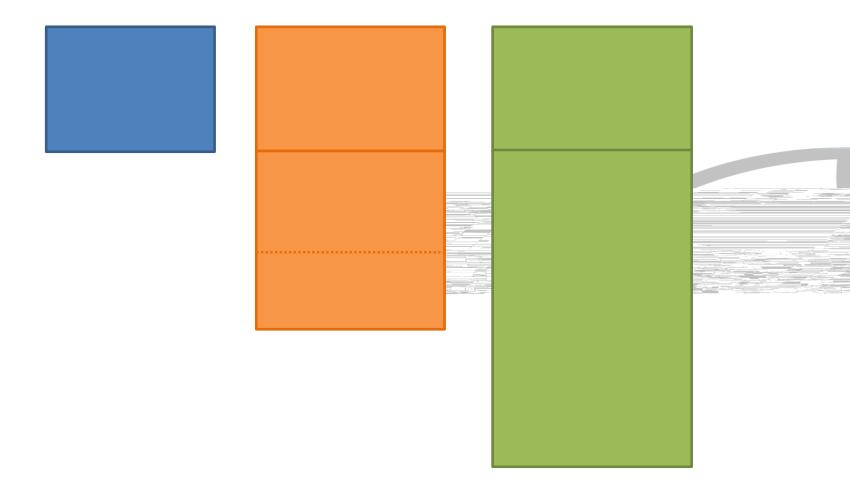




Recommends countries for inclusion and graduation

Developed and refined the criteria and procedures for identifying LDCs Monitors graduating and graduated LDCs Analytical papers on LDCs

LDCs are low-income countries suffering from the most severe structural impediments to



CDP assesses countries vis-à-vis criteria at triennial reviews

Country passes thresholds of any 2 criteria

GNI and HAI; or

GNI and EVI; or

HAI and EVI.

Or: Income > twice income graduation threshold

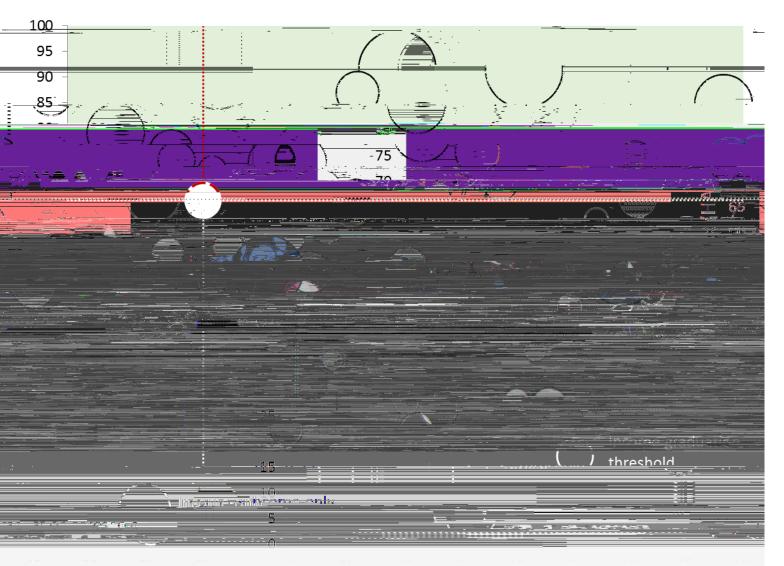
2018 graduation thresholds:

> \$1,230 >66 <32

CDP considers recommendations for countries that meet criteria at two consecutive reviews

No automatism: impact assessment, vulnerability profile, country views taken into account

Recommendations need to be endorsed by ECOSOC and taken note off by the General Assembly



12 LDCs meet the graduation criteria

graduating : already recommended in 2012

recommended ECOSOC decisions forthcoming

: deferred to 2021

first time eligibility

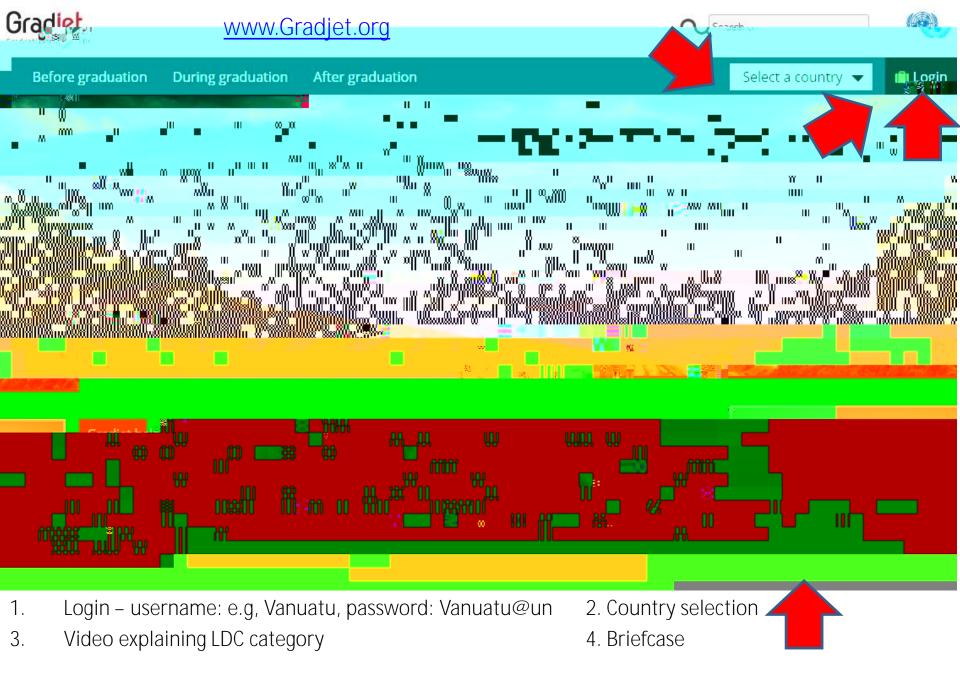


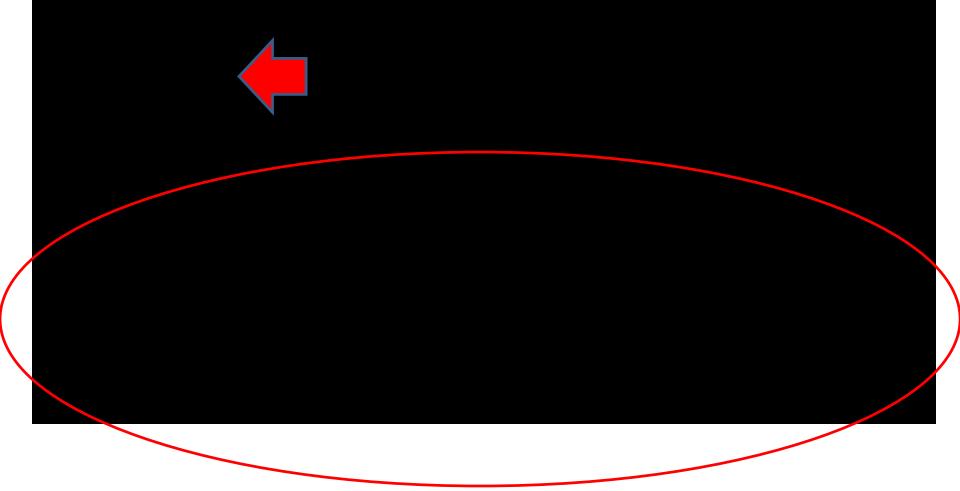
LDCs general concern of losing access to LDC-specific support

- Uncertainty surrounding graduation
- Many development constraints and challenges persist

Identify an assistance package for graduating and recently graduated LDCs,

- analytical work; advisory services; new forms of graduationspecific development cooperation;...
- Included in CDP work programme 2018/19
- Beyond current smooth transition measures (which are mostly delayed withdrawal of LDC support)
- Reinforcing positive signal of LDC graduation





- 1. Outline of graduation process
- 2. Suggested activities and information before, during and after graduation

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