

## **Statement**

Madam Chair,  
Distinguished delegates,

1. At the outset, I would like to express my sincere congratulations to you and your bureau for organizing this important Meeting of the National Focal Points of LDCs on the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action (IPoA).
2. Over the past years, the international community has made collective efforts to work towards achieving the set goals and targets stipulated in the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and the IPoA. As a result, many countries have experienced a steady economic growth and considerably reduced extreme poverty and hunger. Nevertheless, emerging challenges and poverty remains widespread across all regions, particularly in the Least Developed Countries. Therefore, the international community must redouble its efforts to overcome these challenges and fight against poverty and fully implement the IPoA and 2030 Agenda in order to achieve

