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Welcome to CDP Updates, an electronic digest keeping you informed about activities carried out by the Committee for Development Policy (CDP) and its Secretariat. Recent news and future activities include the following:

-  **[Global Governance and Global Rules for Development in the Post-2015 Era](#)**
This CDP Policy Note includes practical policy recommendations on the way forward and on strengthening the role of the United Nations in achieving global sustainable development.
-  **[ECOSOC resolution \(E/RES/2014/L.15\) on Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its sixteenth session](#)**
The Council takes note of the report of the Committee and acknowledges the CDP contributions to various aspects of its work programme.
-  **[The likelihood of 24 Least Developed Countries graduating from the LDC category by 2020: an achievable goal?](#)**
This background paper by Hiroshi Kawamura (CDP Secretariat) examines the prospects of achieving one of the main goals of the Istanbul Programme of Action, namely, having at least half of the LDCs to meet the graduation criteria by 2020. It explains why this goal is unlikely to be met even under an optimistic scenario.
-  **[Trade Benefits for Least Developed Countries: the Bangladesh Case](#)**
Mustafizur Rahman, of the Centre for Policy Dialogue, argues that LDC-specific trade preferences have played a crucial role in Bangladesh's development. However, Bangladesh will need to build the needed supply-side capacities and undertake necessary reforms to further benefit from preferential market access on a more sustainable basis.

About the Committee for Development Policy (CDP)

The CDP is a subsidiary body of the United Nations Economic and Social Council. It provides inputs and independent advice to the Council on emerging cross-sectoral development issues and on international cooperation for development, focusing on medium- and long-term aspects. The CDP is also responsible for the triennial review of the list of least developed countries (LDCs).

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