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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:

CDP Background Paper #28, Supporting LDCs´ transformation: How can ODA contribute to the Istanbul Programme of Action in the post-2015 era?

Development cooperation for LDCs in the context of post-2015 sustainable development agenda and Istanbul Programme of Action may not be effective unless the way in which donors allocate and

Istanbul Programme of Action may not be effective unless the way in which donors allocate and provide ODA to LDCs is significantly changed. Prof. Jose Antonio Alonso studies the role of ODA in the development process of LDCs and proposes the way in which aid should be allocated among recipients: defining credible paths of gradually achieving the ODA commitments; improving criteria of allocating resources and means of support; strengthening recipient countries' ownership and aligning activities with local priorities and procedures; better tailoring the content and modalities of development cooperation to country's specific conditions; supporting improvements in productivity, particularly funding efforts in agricultural R&D, both at the national and international level.

- CDP Background paper #27, A post-2015 monitoring and accountability framework

 Prof. Jose Antonio Ocampo proposes a bottom-up, multi-layered and multi-stakeholder framework of
 accountability for the implementation of the post-2015 agenda. The framework should be built upon
 national follow-up processes supported by the UN country teams, and complemented by consultations
 at the regional and global levels and supported by the UN system and other relevant international
 organizations. The framework would also include parallel accountability mechanisms for civil society
 and the private sector as key partners in the achievement of the post-2015 development agenda.
- CDP Background paper #26, Managing labour mobility: a missing pillar of global governance

Prof. Jose Antonio Alonso proposes a dual approach to tackle the problems of increasing international migration: while universal minimum standards should be established for protecting cross-border migration, bilateral and regional interactions are needed to achieve their own specific policy objectives. At the global level, a framework of dialogue and negotiation would be started in which countries can offer to take positive steps on liberalization in a way similar to the approach adopted in the GATS. It is important to set up a multilateral institutional framework with competences over the regulation of labor migration, and one possibility is to alter the mandate and statute of the IOM, transforming it into a multilateral body, integrated within the UN system and specialized in managing voluntary migration.

Statement by Prof. Jose Antonio Ocampo to ECOSOC High Level Segment
CDP Chair, Prof. Jose Antonio Ocampo presented the CDP recommendations the the issue of
transitioning from the current to the post-2015 United Nations Development Agenda, at the High Level
Segment of 2015 ECOSOC session, 7 July 2015

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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