



**Intervention**

**by**

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Mr. President,  
Excellencies,  
Ladies and gentlemen,

It is an honour to address you today at the inaugural ECOSOC Forum

Financing for Development which will be critical part of the future

Financing for Development process.

Last year, leaders of all nations committed themselves to eradicate

poverty by 2030, as well as to transform global economy in order to reduce climate change impacts. This year will be crucial in setting the stage to implement all milestone agreements. It is ever more

and private entrepreneurship, as important levers of change. The 2030 Agenda and SDGs open new opportunities for private sector to become not only a source of financing but also an active player in driving

sustainable development.

Mr. President,

We believe that primary responsibility for development lies within national states and, in this regard, we strongly support promoting national ownership.

National sustainable development strategies, supported by an integrated financial framework, must be enhanced through effective

effective especially in the regions where common cultural and societal values exist.

As we have clear deadlines for achieving global goals, all stakeholders need to work in mobilizing all available resources and

order to tackle global, multilevel and cross-sectoral issues, thus achieving SDGs. It is our duty to build better world for generations to

Thank you.