

## Information Note

1. The Ministerial meeting, co-organized by UN-OHRLLS and the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation, will be held on **6 August 2025, from 10:00 to 18:00**. The theme of the meeting is “*Unlocking the potential of South-South cooperation for sustainable, resilient and transformative development in LLDCs*”. The programme is available at <https://www.un.org/en/landlocked/south-south-cooperation-ministerial-meeting>.

2. In addition to high-level opening and closing segments, the Ministerial meeting consists of four thematic sessions:

Session 1: Catalyzing South-South and triangular cooperation in science, technology and innovation to spur structural economic transformation and achieve digital leapfrogging in LLDCs

Session 2: Best practices and experience sharing in unlocking the potential of South-South and triangular cooperation for sustainable, resilient and transformative development of LLDCs

Session 3: Leveraging South-South cooperation to deepen regional integration through trade facilitation for increased participation of LLDCs in international trade

Session 4: Strengthening development financing through South-South and triangular cooperation for inclusive, equitable and affordable connectivity of LLDCs

3. Each session will feature a panel discussion.
4. The Ministerial meeting will convene ministers from LLDCs and transit countries, as well as senior representatives from development partners, heads of UN organizations, multilateral and regional development banks, academia, the private sector, and civil society.
5. There will be **no pre-established list of speakers for statements from the floor**. Delegations wishing to take the floor during respective sessions are strongly advised to communicate to **Ms. Yuxin Ai of OHRLLS** at [aiy@un.org](mailto:aiy@un.org) for **Session 1, 3 and 4 only**, and **Ms. Shams Banihani of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation** at [shams.banihani@unOSSC.org](mailto:shams.banihani@unOSSC.org) for **Session 2 only**.
6. **All statements from the floor are limited to three (3) minutes. Secretariat staff will also collect the names of speakers onsite in the meeting room.** The speaking order will be arranged according to the UN protocol.
7. **The Ministerial meeting will follow a free seating arrangement.** Delegations wishing to deliver a statement from the floor or intervene during the interactive discussion are requested to signal to the Chair of the Session.