

**GMIS Breakfast Session****at the 73rd Edition of the United Nations General Assembly****25th September 2018****08:00am – 09:30am****South Dining Room, 4th Floor****United Nations Headquarters****New York****Hosted by:****The United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the Global Manufacturing and Industrialisation Summit (GMIS)*****“Leveraging advanced manufacturing technologies for the future of the global economy, environment and society”*****INTRODUCTION**

The dawn of a new industrial revolution powered by high tech innovation is at hand. Never before has the world faced such a rapid pace of technological advancement. New value chains are emerging and traditional paradigms will be forever disrupted. In this increasingly connected world it is of critical importance that we as governments, as companies, as communities and as global citizens embrace the spirit of collaboration and of international cooperation, steering policies and mobilising technologies in a way that maximises social impact for the greater good. Today’s policymakers, business leaders, academics, entrepreneurs, social influencers and visionaries are the stewards for tomorrow, shaping the global political and industrial landscape for future generations.

This session will bring together a diverse panel of influential thinkers representing a range of gender, geographies, experiences and perspectives to discuss not only the importance of international cooperation in developing sustainable, inclusive, forward-looking practices but also the key role the manufacturing sector can play in achieving positive outcomes as we navigate this new era of disruption.

**PROGRAMME****08:00 Arrival****08:15 Welcome Address****Senior Representative, United Arab Emirates****08:20 Welcome Address****Mr. Li Yong, Director General, United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO)****08:25 Welcome Address****H.E. Mr. Vasiliy Sergeevich Osmakov, Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade, Russian Federation****08:30 Panel Discussion: Leveraging advanced manufacturing technologies for the future of the global economy, environment and society**

- What opportunities are being presented by the emergence of Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) technologies? What are policymakers doing to harness the potential of technological change in disrupting traditional industries?
- How are these technologies being adopted across developed and developing countries? What efforts are being launched to help bridge the digital divide? What more needs to be done and how can the international community support these efforts?
- With the ever-increasing emergence of 4IR technologies, what will be the impact on jobs of the future? Will these technologies negatively impact employment levels or create new jobs? And if new, more technical roles are required what can be done in terms of continuing education and up-skilling programmes to ensure employees are able to adapt to new and innovative technologies and be prepared for jobs of the future?
- What can policymakers do to facilitate a culture of innovation?
- How is the manufacturing sector evolving in line with technological innovation? What role can the manufacturing sector play in achieving sustainable, inclusive development goals and in contributing towards greater global prosperity?



Moderator: Mr. Badr Al-Olama, Head of the Organising Committee, Global Manufacturing and Industrialisation Summit (GMIS)

Panelists:

H.E. Mr. Ibrahima Guimba-Saïdou, Minister and Special Advisor to the President; Director General, National Agency for the Information Society, Republic of the Niger

Mr. Hongjoo Hahm, Officer-in-Charge, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)

Mr. Philippe Scholtes, Managing Director, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

Ms. Ann Rosenberg, Senior Vice President & Global Head of SAP Next-Gen, a Purpose Driven Innovation University and Community

**09:00 Introducing the Mohammed Bin Rashid Initiative for Global Prosperity
Mr. Badr Al-Olama, Head of the Organising Committee, Global Manufacturing and Industrialisation Summit (GMIS)**

**09:30 Closing remarks and end of session
Ms. Cecilia Ugaz Estrada, Director, Department of Policy Research and Statistics, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)**

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