UNDERSTANDING NEW AND EMERGING GLOBAL CHALLENGES FOR LDCS.

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Approaches

• Internal meetings of OECD experts from different directorates
• Use of web scanning tools such as “Shaping Tomorrow
• Consultations with development experts at various conferences
• Own analysis within the Development Center
More than 200 years of progress

Life expectancy at birth (years, decadal averages): 1820s-2000s

OECD. How was life?
Shifting Wealth: Rapid move toward convergence over last 15 years

Calculated using IMF datamapper, based on WEO October 2015
Growth slowdown: Actual and Projected: China vs Advanced and Emerging Market & Developing Economies

Source: IMF Datamapper accessed 28/10/2015
Yet the outlook for developing countries is Challenging

**Technology**
- Automation
- Innovation

**Environment**
- Climate change
- Severe droughts

**Demographics**
- Youth bulge
- Ageing populations
- Social protection

**Economic**
- Inequality increase
- Slower growth
- Jobless growth

**Security**
- Terrorism
- Conflicts
- Cyber wars/security

**Governance**
- Fragile states
- Low trust
- Weak governance

4. Challenging trends
Population Growth Rates in the Developing World (1950-2050)

Population Growth Rates

- World
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- Southern Asia
- Southeast Asia
Thank you!
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