

Interventions by the Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran
On 19 Focus Areas as clustered by the Co-chairs
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At the outset, as usual, I would like to associate myself with the statement made by Bolivia, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China; I would also like to add a few points in my national capacity as following:

- Much has been said about the extreme significance of this cluster as the actual means for the embodiment of the all the Goals and Targets; the fact is that we might not be ambitious enough if we are not transformative in practice; and from that perspective, the necessity for having this focus area as a standalone goal and a cross-cutting target under each and every other focus areas, is more understandable;
- In addition to the previous interventions and proposals, my delegation has four more proposals to be added under this cluster:
 1. Focusing on the importance of International enabling environment, my delegation believes that having a sound, transparent, open, and rules-based trading system is of very high importance, however we the “**international financial system**” should also get enough due attention. In this regard, and considering the point that it is not capture in any other clustering, we propose the addition of a separate goal entitled “**enhancing comprehensive reform of the international financial system**”.
 2. Additionally, recent history of international financial and economic crisis shows that in addition to the significant place

of international financial and trading systems, the trans-boundary effect of certain financial and economic policies and practices is also of high importance; therefore, my delegation proposes addition of a specific target entitled **“enhancing accountability of countries for the trans-boundary negative implications of their financial and economic policies and practices”**

3. My third point is related to the importance of economic institutional capacities of countries; this area can include a broad range of issues including Data Collection, Tax Collection, Efficiency and Accountability at all levels, even participation of private sector and civil society; therefore, the concrete proposal in this regard would be, to add a separate goal on **“promoting a facilitation mechanism for the economic institutional capacities”**
4. And, finally, Mr. Co-Chair, My delegation believes that in order to address the technological gap and facilitating technological cooperation, and in order to avoid getting enmeshed in the old trap of MDGs in terms of lacking concreteness, there is a dire need to have a separate goal under this focus area entitled **“establishing a facilitation mechanism for the transfer of clean and environmentally sound technologies”**.

I Thank You Mr. Co-Chair.