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LPAC Minutes: Support for development of North Macedonia 2021-2041 National Development Strategy (NDS) – Phase II: Implementation

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Place: online, via e-mail (due to COVID 19 restrictions and tele-working arrangements)

Chair:

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Background (Presentation of the project):

In early 2021 the Government of North Macedonia started the preparations for the development of 2021-2041 National Development Strategy (hereinafter: NDS), supported by a project implemented by the UNDP in coordination with UN Resident Coordination Office (RCO) North Macedonia. UK GGF funding was secured to prepare a methodology for the process, all the background baselines and assessment of strategic documents, proposals for the institutional structure to manage and implement the project, the communications and engagement strategy and various other preparatory documents that could serve as input to the process. All these products and processes comprised the first phase of the NDS development process and have been completed by the end of July 2021.

The Phase II marks the actual process of formulating the NDS, supported by a system, a structure that will enable effective monitoring of the implementation, supporting the process of embedding the NDS priorities within the national strategic plans, reflecting them in various future planning documents, and making sure the NDS process accelerate the achievement of the 2030 Agenda.

The objective of the Project is to support the key national stakeholders to formulate and potentially rollout the North Macedonia National Development Strategy for the period 2021-2041 and embed an inclusive system for implementation and monitoring of the NDS within the national administrative framework.

To achieve this objective, the UNDP will provide management, expertise, and facilitation:

- To implement the consultative decision-making process for formulating the NDS.
- Facilitate the expert input that will enable the identification of the national vision and the goals within agreed thematic areas.
- Assist the implementation of the NDS communication and engagement strategy, to achieve nation-wide involvement and consensus.
- Enable consensus for the development and implementation of the NDS.
- Strengthen the national strategic planning by piloting an innovative design of the NDS process, and embed the lessons learned from this process into the national strategic planning methodology.
- To enable systemic transformation in the way our country designs, implement and monitor its strategic documents and plans.

LPAC conclusions and next steps: In line with UNDP's rules and regulations an internal online LPAC consultation process was organized for Support for development of North Macedonia 2021-2041 National Development Strategy (NDS) – Phase II: Implementation. The Project Document was shared, via e-mail, on 26 October 2021 with the LPAC members for their comments in respect of both Project's relevance, feasibility, cost-effectiveness, sustainability, possible synergies and partnerships with other projects in the CO. Until the set deadline, 2 November 2021, no comments were received, and it is concluded that the Support for development of North Macedonia 2021-2041 National Development Strategy (NDS) – Phase II: Implementation projects has been approved by the LPAC.

Signed, on behalf of all PAC members, by the PAC Chair:

Armen Grigoryan UNDP Resident Representative

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