



**The President
of the
Economic and Social Council**

28 November 2023

Excellency,

Following our recent conversations, I would like to thank you for your willingness to co-Chair the 9th Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals, together with the Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations, Her Excellency Christina Markus Lassen. Please accept my sincere appreciation for your leadership and support by Saint Vincent and the Grenadines in ensuring the success of the STI Forum in 2024.

Next year marks the first Forum after the mid-point of the 2030 Agenda and the 2023 SDG Summit. The Summit recognized the vital role of science, technology and innovation in finding solutions for many global challenges to achieve SDGs. At this critical time, I firmly believe that STI, when properly harnessed, can bring about the transformative change needed to realize the 2030 Agenda.

I am looking forward to your continuing support towards the STI Forum, and I am confident that with your and Denmark's further engagement, we will continue to enhance the impact of STI on the SDGs. I also look forward to a successful Forum, as an important input to the high-level political forum (HLPF) and the Summit of the Future 2024, under your able leadership and to working with you on these and other important ECOSOC initiatives.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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