

**6th Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation
 for the Sustainable Development Goals**

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*“Science, technology and innovation for a sustainable and resilient
 COVID-19 recovery, and effective pathways of inclusive action
 towards the Sustainable Development Goals”*

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Day 1, 4th May 2021

**Ministerial session: STI policies and initiatives for sustainable development - best practices and lessons learned ([Interprefy](#)) ([UN webcast](#))
 (10:30-11:00)**

Co-chair:

- H.E. Mr. Andrejs Pildegovičs, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Latvia to the United Nations

Opening Remarks:

- Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Ministerial statements delivered

1	European Union Mr. Stephen QUEST Director-General of the Joint Research Centre of the European Union
2	Colombia Her Excellency Mabel TORRES TORRES Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation
3	Finland Her Excellency Annika SAARIKKO Minister of Science and Culture
4	India His Excellency Harsh VARDHAN Minister of Science and Technology
5	Philippines His Excellency Fortunato DE LA PEÑA Secretary of Science and Technology
6	Dominican Republic His Excellency Franklin GARCIA FERMIN Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology

Day 2, 5th May 2021

Ministerial Session (continued): STI policies and initiatives for sustainable development - best practices and lessons learned¹ ([Interprefy](#)) ([UN webcast](#)) (9:00-10:15)

Co-chair:

- H.E. Ambassador Mohammad Koba, Charge d’Affaires of the Indonesia Mission to the United Nations

Ministerial statements delivered

1	China His Excellency Wang ZHIGANG Minister of Science and Technology
2	Belarus His Excellency Alexander SHUMILIN Chairman of the State Committee on Science and Technology
3	Thailand His Excellency Anek LAOTHAMATAS Minister of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation
4	Kenya His Excellency Joseph MUCHERU Cabinet Secretary for Information, Communication and Technology, Innovation and Youth Affairs
5	Pakistan His Excellency Shibli FARAZ Minister of Science and Technology
6	El Salvador His Excellency Vladimir HANDAL Secretary of Innovation
7	Brazil His Excellency Marcos PONTES Minister of Science, Technology and Innovations
8	Paraguay His Excellency Eduardo FELIPPO Minister-President of the National Council of Science and Technology
9	Japan His Excellency Inoue SHINJI Minister for the World Expo 2025, Minister of State for the Intellectual Property Strategy and Minister of State for Science and Technology Policy
10	Zambia His Excellency Brian MUSHIMBA Minister of Higher Education
11	Lithuania Her Excellency Egle MARKEVICIUTE Vice-Minister of Economy and Innovation
12	Cuba His Excellency José Fidel SANTANA NÚÑEZ

¹ Previously numbered as session 4 in draft programme.

	First Deputy Minister of Science, Technology and Environment
13	United Arab Emirates Her Excellency Sarah AL AMIRI Minister of State for Advanced Technology at the Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology
14	Republic of Korea His Excellency Jong-moon CHOI Second Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs
15	Chile Her Excellency Pamela GIDI Vice-Minister of Telecommunications
16	Argentina Ms. Carolina Susana VERA Head of Cabinet of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation
17	United States of America Ms. Allison SCHWIER Acting Science and Technology Advisor to the Secretary of State
18	Belgium Her Excellency Barbara TRACHTE State Secretary for Economic Transition and Scientific Research, Brussels-Capital-Region (regional government of Belgium)

Written Statements

Representative of MIKTA countries (MIKTA countries – Mexico, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, Turkey and Australia) [[Statement](#)]

H.E. Ms. Masooma Khawari, Minister of Communications and Information Technology of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, [[Statement](#)]

H.E. Dr. Amr S. Talaat, Minister of Communications and Information Technology of the Arab Republic of Egypt [[Statement](#)]

H.E. Dr. Kwaku Afriyie (MP, Sefwi Wiawso), Minister for Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation, Ghana [[Statement](#)]

H.E. Mr. Nigel Adams, Minister of State - Minister for Asia Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, United Kingdom [[Statement](#)]

H. E. Mr. Juan Ramón de la Fuente, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations, [[Statement](#)]

Representative of the Russian Federation at the UN ECOSOC [[Statement](#)]