

**Special Thematic Event**  
**“Building Synergy and Coherence in the implementation of the  
Istanbul Programme of Action in the context of the  
2030 Sustainable Development Agenda”**

**5.45pm, 11 February 2016**

**Closing Remarks by H.E. Mr Mogens Lykketoft  
President of the 70<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly**

Thank you very much Under Secretary General Acharya.

Excellencies, ladies and gentlemen, we have arrived at the end of this special thematic event.

We have just heard a summary of the highlights from today’s discussions and a full President’s summary will be circulated to you at the earliest opportunity.

Overall, it is clear that mainstreaming the 2030 Agenda, the Addis Agenda and the Paris Agreement, will present both challenges and opportunities for all 48 least developed countries.

And ultimately, it is up to all of us – to you the LDCs and to all international partners – to ensure that the challenges are overcome and the opportunities are maximised.

For this, we need to intensify and strengthen partnerships and innovative cooperation – between countries, donors and among stakeholders including the private sector and civil society.

I thank you all for your active participation and I look forward very much to seeing as many of you as possible in Antalya next May.

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