



**Statement by
the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia
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the Technical Cooperation Programme
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**Mr. Chair, Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,**

I would like to commend the Director General and the Agency for organizing this Ministerial Conference.

I also join others in commending Finland and Ghana as the two Co-Chairs of this Conference.

We acknowledge the IAEA's active role in enhancing Member States' nuclear science and technology applications through the Technical Cooperation Programme, based on national priorities and supporting SDGs. This Conference is a testament of that role.

Indonesia calls for the strengthening of the Agency's activities through the provision of sufficient, assured and predictable resources to properly respond to the needs of member states. The rights of member states to the peaceful use of nuclear science and technology and their access to IAEA assistance should not be subjected to any conditionality.

On this significant occasion, I would like to highlight three important points.

First, Indonesia underlines the importance of fully respecting the inalienable right and access to peaceful uses of nuclear technology without discrimination as stipulated in article IV of NPT.

The inalienable right and access to peaceful uses of nuclear technology must be ensured and should be in conformity with disarmament and non-proliferation pillars of the NPT. The responsibility of those who have cutting edge nuclear technology to share should be fulfilled.

Indonesia also reaffirms the right of each State to develop research, production and use of nuclear energy, including the sovereign right to develop a full national nuclear fuel cycle for peaceful purposes without discrimination.

Second, my delegation emphasizes the crucial role of IAEA initiatives in responding to the evolving needs of the Member States and strengthening national capacities, especially in developing countries, through proactive, collaborative action and integrated support from the Technical Cooperation Programme.

Indonesia, like other member states, has used the TC Programme's flagships like ZODIAC, Atoms4Foods, NUTEC Plastics, and Rays of Hope to address health, food security, climate change, and energy issues. In his "Asta Cita" development framework, Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto prioritizes food, energy, and water self-sufficiency and science and technology. Indonesia believes the Agency is essential to supporting these priorities and our Sustainable Development Goals.

Indonesia appreciates the Agency's support for its nuclear energy program, including its advisory mission to review Indonesia's Nuclear Power Roadmap. This mission should help us improve our strategic planning and infrastructure for safe, secure, and efficient nuclear power plants.

Third, acknowledging the importance of nuclear science and technology knowledge, Indonesia attaches great importance to enhance capacity building as well as research and development for peaceful purposes in the nuclear fields.

In this regard, we commend the Agency's ongoing capacity-building programs for developing countries to improve their peaceful nuclear science and technology capabilities, promote innovation and empower them to help other countries follow the same path.

Indonesia will continue to support the Agency's capacity-building efforts by using its collaborating centers, hosting workshops, training, and fellowships, providing experts, and using laboratories in-kind. Through those schemes and our well-established Polytechnique for Nuclear Technology, Indonesia is also committed to being the hub of capacity building for neighbouring countries.

Finally, let us harness the power of the nuclear energy, not for destruction, but as a beacon of hope, fuelling science and technology to illuminate a brighter future for all humanity.

I thank you.