



Intervention on “Outlook to the Argentinean G20/B20”

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is a great pleasure for me to be here today and discuss with you the involvement of business in all the G20 employment process.

After many years serving as Vice-President of UIA and as President of the International Organisation of Employers (IOE), being a member and co-chair of the B20 Employment Task Force, I am pleased to announce that I have the honour to be appointed by the President of my country, Argentina, to be the Chair for B20 Argentina.

It implies a serious challenge that we will need to face together, as we did in the past since the creation of the G20 process. We will need again to advocate for reforms and to adapt to the new realities and technological changes, at the G20 and at the national level because both levels are crucial for the creation of an enabling environment is conducive for both economic growth and job creation.

Many societies still face obstacles to development including persistent unemployment, weak or unstable growth, informality, poverty and human rights challenges.

Countries have unleashed the potential of globalisation for job creation and development to very varying degrees. Findings of a joint OECD, WTO & World Bank Study suggest that next to permanent factors, such as a country's geographic location, the laws and policies that a country enacts are of key importance with regards to the degree the country benefits from globalisation.

The theme of this year's G20 German Presidency - “Shaping an Interconnected World” - offers the opportunity to discuss ways in which an increasingly interconnected world can be shaped so as to promote inclusive and interconnected development. At the end, the challenge is implementation.

This means for governments to set these issues as priorities in their work and to deliver on their commitments made at the G20 level.

From our side, business plays an essential role not only suggesting concrete and effective recommendations but also in the follow up to real implementation.

Dear Colleagues and friends,

It is with these high spirits and ambitions that I would like the B20 to prepare for the incoming G20 Argentina. The official handover from G20 Germany to Argentina will be on 1st December this year and we look forward to an equally successful G20 Argentina next year.

Thank you very much for your attention.