



## STATEMENT

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Distinguished delegates,  
Colleagues and partners of the UNECE region,

Israel remains concerned over the impact the Russian invasion of Ukraine has had on civilians in Ukraine as well as in the region, and continues to call to all parties to ensure rapid humanitarian aid access. We support all projects to rebuild and assist Ukraine.

We live in an era where science and technology have brought tangible changes to every aspect of our lives. Yet, at the same time, climate change continues to accelerate at an unprecedented rate.

Humanity faces many environmental challenges today, including global warming, air pollution, and deforestation. Green transformation, The basic concept behind the green transformation is to create a sustainable society by going beyond previous initiatives and taking steps by using technologies to change the systems that community and industrial structures are built on.

Over the past decade, Israel has emerged as a significant player in climate tech, with a thriving ecosystem of start-ups, investors and support organizations dedicated to building innovative solutions to the world's most pressing challenges.

For example, Between 2016 and 2022, Israel's climate tech sector grew by 60%. Israel has 850 companies dedicated to climate tech, and they have raised more than \$3 billion in funding, with investments coming from both local and international sources.

as we believe that achieving the SDGs will require a global effort, with countries and organizations working together, Israel's growing climate tech ecosystem has a crucial role to play.

Numerous Israeli companies working on various aspects of sustainability and environmental technology are pioneering scalable solutions in vital areas such as in Energy transition, food and land use, transportation and logistics and Water solutions.

Opportunities can thrive when capacity exists, and attractive commodities can be offered. Israel now has many such opportunities: whether it is cyber, water desalinization, medicine, security technology, energy, or clean-tech.

Madame. Co-chair,

As we look towards COP28 in Dubai, we must accelerate our efforts to achieve the SDGs. By continuing to support and invest in climate tech, we can leverage their innovative solutions to address some of the world's most pressing environmental challenges. This requires a concerted global effort, an effort that will enable everyone to benefit and leave no one behind. .

We know that there is still work that needs more to be done improve people's lives. we are proud to be an active State and contributor to the implementation of the SDGs, especially in the field of green tech and is committed to working with all stakeholders to turn this vision into a reality.

I thank you.