

Identification of emerging development challenges

Countries with special needs: LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS

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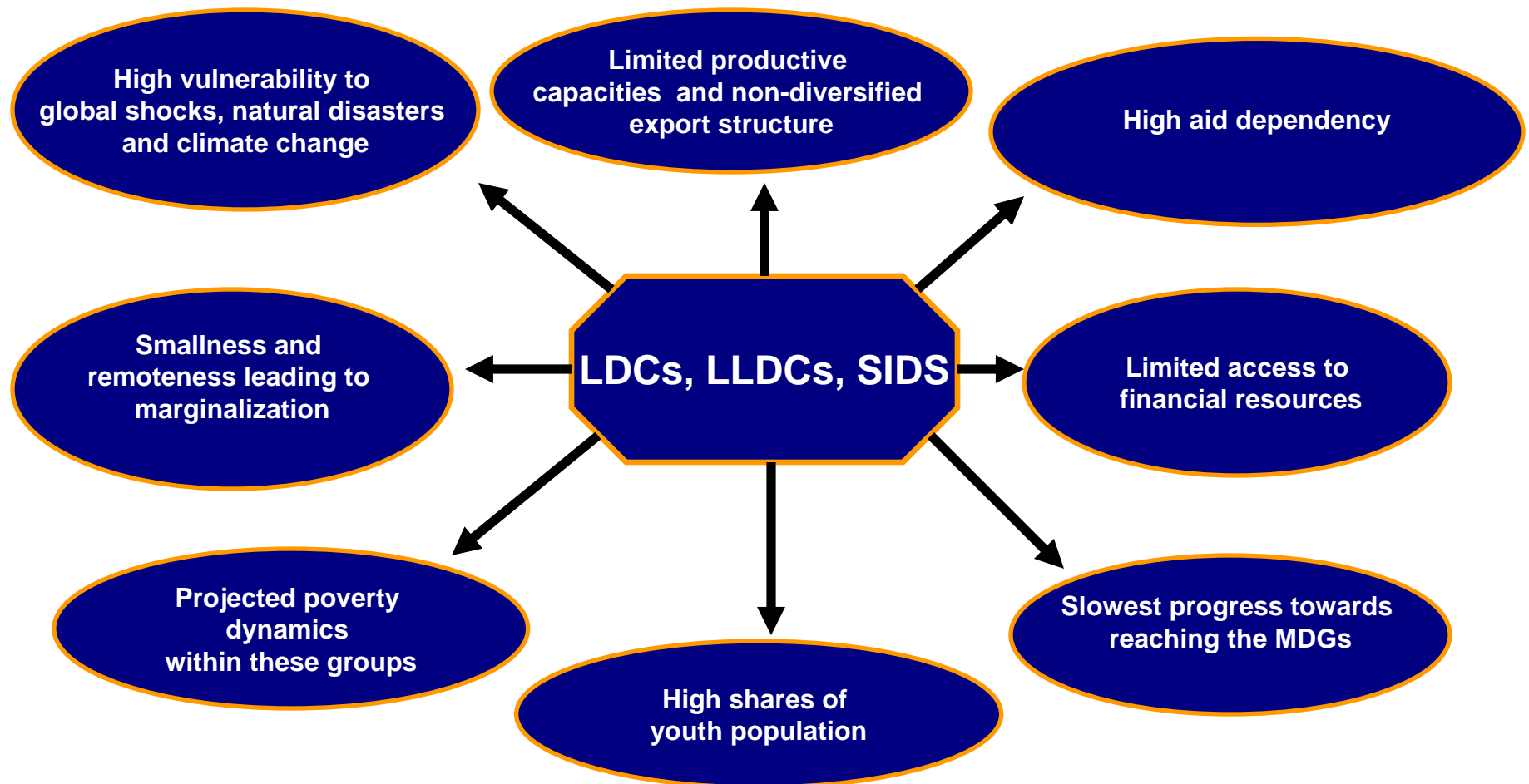


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Why should the focus on LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS be part of the global development agenda?



Possible ways to reflect the special situation of the most vulnerable countries in the new global partnership

Need to build resilience for long-term sustainable and equitable development

The goal of capacity building, which includes statistical and technological capacity as well as the capacity to deal with risks, should be more explicit in a new framework

Flexibility and policy space needs to be increased to ensure true ownership

LDC, LLDC and SIDS vulnerabilities and needs should be a priority in the post 2015 development agenda to address inequality between countries



The IPoA and the post 2015 development agenda

The IPoA constitutes a renewed partnership for LDCs, including South-South cooperation and non-government stakeholders

First priority of the IPoA: productive capacities

- transfer of technology
- incentives for investment
- measures to promote trade especially in labour intensive industries
- leveraging of ODA to increase other capital inflows

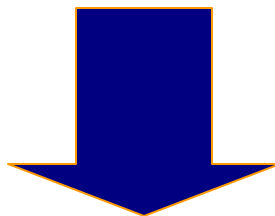
Priority on multiple crises and other emerging challenges

- support risk mitigation strategies
- enhance financing for climate change adaptation and mitigation
- enhance capacities in clean energy production, trade and distribution
- strengthen capacity to reduce vulnerability to natural disasters



Parallel inter-governmental process related to LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS

- Mid-term review of the Istanbul Programme of Action should be closely linked to the discussion about post-2015 MDG development agenda
- The GA decided to convene in 2014 a 10 year review conference of the Almaty Programme of Action for the LLDCs
- A third global conference on the sustainable development of SIDS is envisaged in 2014



There is a need to coordinate the preparations of such conferences and their outcomes in order to produce maximum synergies with the post-2015 MDG development agenda process



Thank you.

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