This side event will feature high-level representatives from Member States, UN and the private sector, who will provide insights on the challenges and success stories for gender-responsive sustainable infrastructure in energy and industry.

**Key topics of this event are:**

- Women’s access to networks, business development services, innovative technologies and finance in the sustainable energy and green industry sectors.
- Sectors which have shown promise and potential for supporting women entrepreneurs and innovators.
- Approaches which have worked to ensure women’s access to more formalized, higher-paid job opportunities as sectors upgrade to become more capital-intensive.
- Policies that foster women’s inclusion in the sustainable energy and green industry sectors.
- Sex-disaggregated data as a vital component of evidence-based policy measures enabling sustainable infrastructure in energy and industry.

**Moderator:**

Mr. Michael Shank, Communications Director, Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance

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**Opening Statement**

H.E. Mr. Dang Dinh Quy, Permanent Representative of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam to the UN

**Keynote Address:**

Ms. Mariana Mazzucato, Professor in the Economics of Innovation and Public Value at University College London (UCL)

**Setting the scene:**

Ms. Fatou Haidara, Managing Director, Directorate of Corporate Management and Operations, UNIDO

**Panel Discussion:**

- H.E. Ms. Yalem Tsegaye Asfaw, Minister of Women and Children Affairs, Ethiopia (TBC)
- H.E. Mr. Jorma Korhonen, Director General, Prime Minister’s Office, Finland
- H.E. Ms. Keisha A. McGuire, Permanent Representative of Grenada to the UN and Chair of SIDS DOCK Island Women Open Network (IWON)
- Ms. Monica Maduekwe, ECOWAS Programme on Gender Mainstreaming in Energy Access (ECOW-GEN) Programme Coordinator