



*The Permanent Mission of Portugal
to the United Nations*



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Excellency,

In our capacity as Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development, we wish to recall the enclosed letter dated 7 March 2024 from the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs and Secretary-General for the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development, Mr. Li Junhua.

With the official substantive preparatory process launching shortly, through the first session of the Preparatory Committee, to be held on 22-26 July 2024 in Addis Ababa, we encourage your government to contribute to the Financing for Development Trust Fund at UN-DESA.

As described in the enclosed letter, contributions to the Trust Fund will facilitate the participation of developing countries and countries in special situations, stakeholders from the global South, as well as experts, academics and think tanks. Such support is essential to ensure the success of the Conference, including that a diversity of perspectives and range of stakeholders are able to participate in the sessions of the Preparatory Committee meetings and the Conference in Spain in 2025.

We thank those Member States that have already provided assistance for their generous support. However, despite promising signals, no funds have yet been raised for the travel of delegates from developing countries. We respectfully invite governments to contribute to the Trust Fund urgently. With your support, together we can achieve a preparatory process and Conference in which all voices contribute to our shared ambition.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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