

## **PBC Ambassadorial meeting on Burundi**

**06 March 2019**

1. On 06 March 2019, the Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) held an Ambassadorial-level meeting on Burundi. The meeting was chaired by **H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber**, Chair of the Burundi Configuration of the PBC. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the socioeconomic situation with a focus on the National Development Plan of Burundi 2018-2026 (NDP), the United Nations Development Assistance Framework 2019-2023 (UNDAF) and the World Bank Country Partnership Framework 2019-2023 (CPF). In this regard, PBC members were briefed by H.E. Mr. Albert Shingiro, Permanent Representative of Burundi to the UN, Mr. Garry Conille, UN Resident Coordinator for Burundi, and Mr. Nestor Coffi, Country Manager for the World Bank Group in Burundi.
2. **H.E. Mr. Albert Shingiro, Permanent Representative of Burundi to the UN**, underscored that the NDP aims for Burundi to reach a growth level of emerging countries by 2027,

4. **Mr. Nestor Coffi**, Country Manager for the World Bank Group in Burundi, outlined an overview of the WBG program in Burundi and its linkages to the NDP under two focus areas: (1) Building human capital and inclusion; (2) Strengthening the foundations for economic and social resilience; all supported by a cross-cutting foundation to restore macro-economic stability and governance. With an active portfolio of \$700 million commitments in investment projects, complemented by a wide range of analytical works, the current program is supporting social protection, notably for women and most vulnerable households, access to quality education, health, food security and nutrition, youth skills development and improve access to energy. He noted that the program is implemented in close collaboration with key development partners including the African Development Bank, the European Investment Bank, EU, UN agencies, private sector, and local and international NGOs. He underlined that the CPF 2019-2023 is fully aligned with the NDP, citizen-centred and aims to promote an inclusive and integrated approach to improve human capital outcomes.

5. Member States welcomed the briefings and made the following observations:

They welcomed the PBC meeting as timely and comprehensive, expressed their appreciation for [redacted] for the presentations by the briefers.

Participants welcomed the linkages between the three planning instruments presented in the briefings, [redacted] the integrated approach presented in the [redacted] social and political dimensions.

They welcomed the issuance of the NDP by the Gove,

