High-Level Event on Innovation and Technology
SDG Innovation

Date: Monday, 18 September 2017 / Time: 10:30 - 13:00 hours / Venue: UN Headquarters, Conference Room 2

10:30 – 10:37 OPENING SESSION
Opening remarks by H.E. Miroslav Lajčák President of the United Nations General Assembly

10:38 – 10:45 Keynote Address by Reid Hoffman, Co-Founder of LinkedIn

10:46 – 11:00 Marc Benioff, Founder and CEO of Salesforce in conversation with Ashish Thakkar, Founder of Mara Group and Chair of the UN Foundation’s Global Entrepreneurs Council

11:00 – 11:30 PANEL DISCUSSION
How can governments and innovators effectively partner in solving pressing global challenges?

- H.E. Kersti Kaljulaid, President of Estonia
- H.E. Dr. Thani Al Zeyoudi, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, United Arab Emirates
- Mitchell Baker, Executive Chairwoman Mozilla (Firefox)
- Aliko Dangote, Founder and Chair of Dangote Group
- Sunil Bharti Mittal, Founder and Chair of Bharti Enterprises
- Jimmy Wales, Founder of Wikipedia and WikiTribune

Moderator: James Manyika, Chairman, McKinsey Global Institute

11.30 – 12:55 INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE
What needs to be done to co-create innovation hubs in diverse countries and transfer skills from current epicentres, such as Silicon Valley, to the rest of the world and vice versa?

Heads of State and Government, Foreign Ministers, CEOs of leading technology companies, thought-leaders, and UN entities will each speak for 3 minutes from the floor. This will be a vibrant interactive dialogue. Strictly no prepared statements

RESPONDENTS:
Mitchell Baker, Marc Benioff, Reid Hoffman, James Manyika, Sunil Bharti Mittal, Jimmy Wales

Moderator: David Wallerstein, Chief Exploration Officer, Tencent

12:55 – 13:00 CLOSING
Call to action and closing remarks by Badr Jafar, Investor and CEO Crescent Group