



# LAO PDR'S LDC GRADUATION Smooth Transition Strategy (STS)

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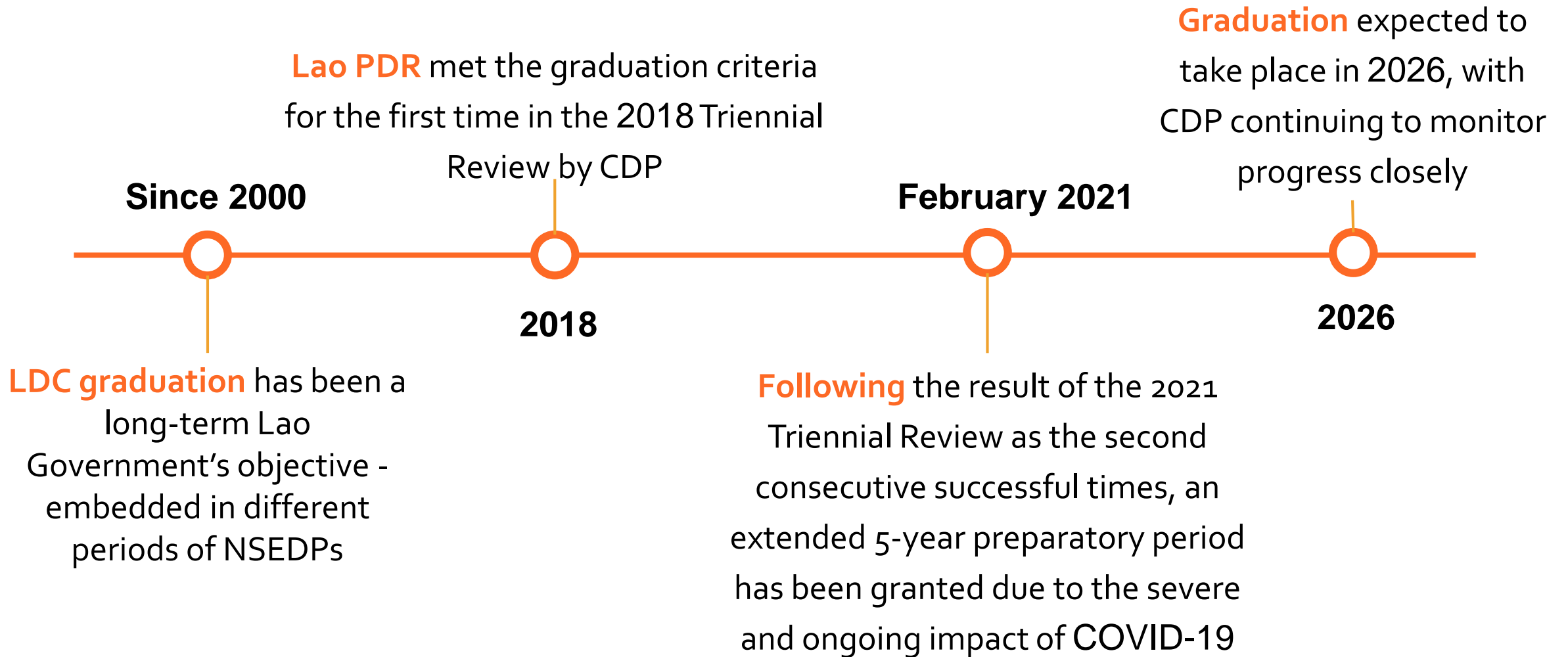


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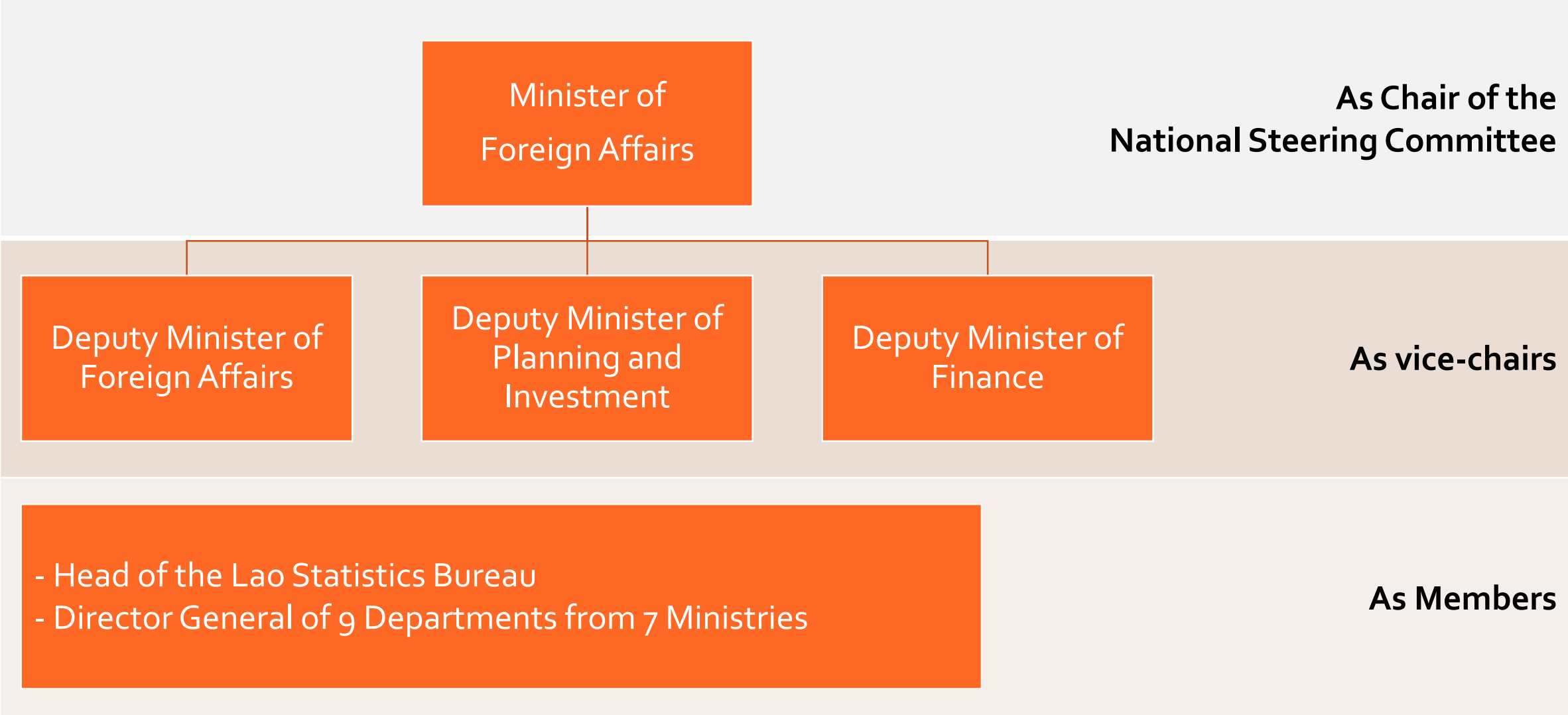
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# GRADUATION PROGRESS



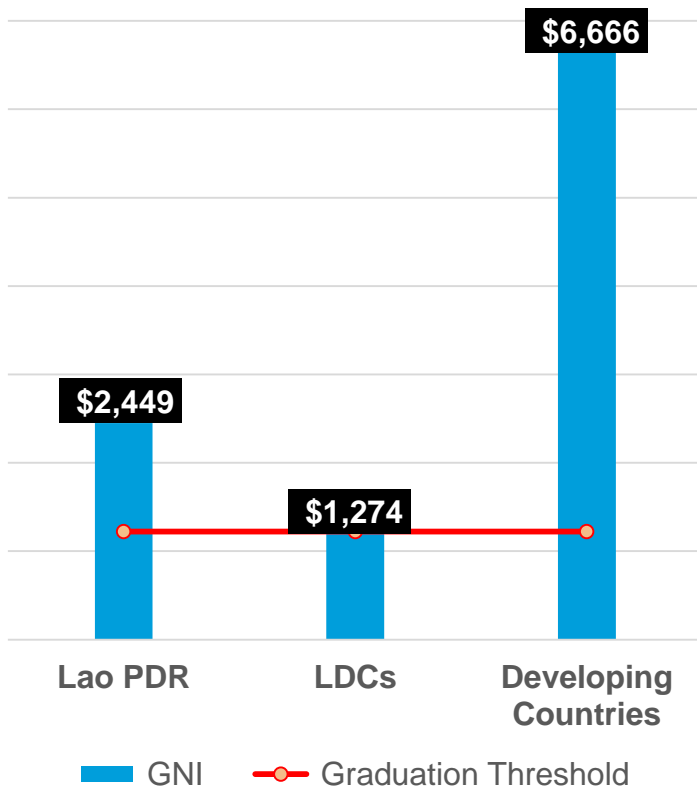
# NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE FOR LDC



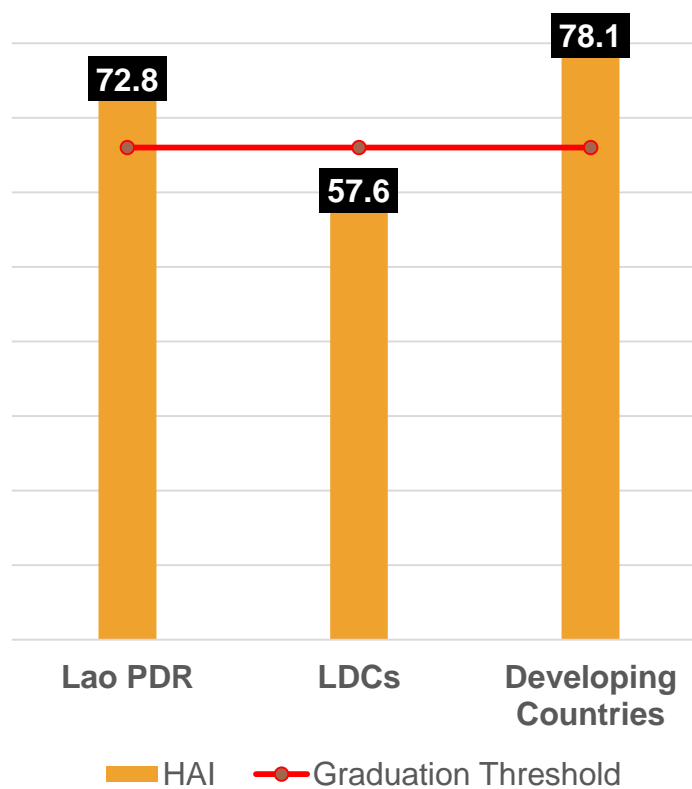
# THE 2021 TRIENNIAL REVIEW



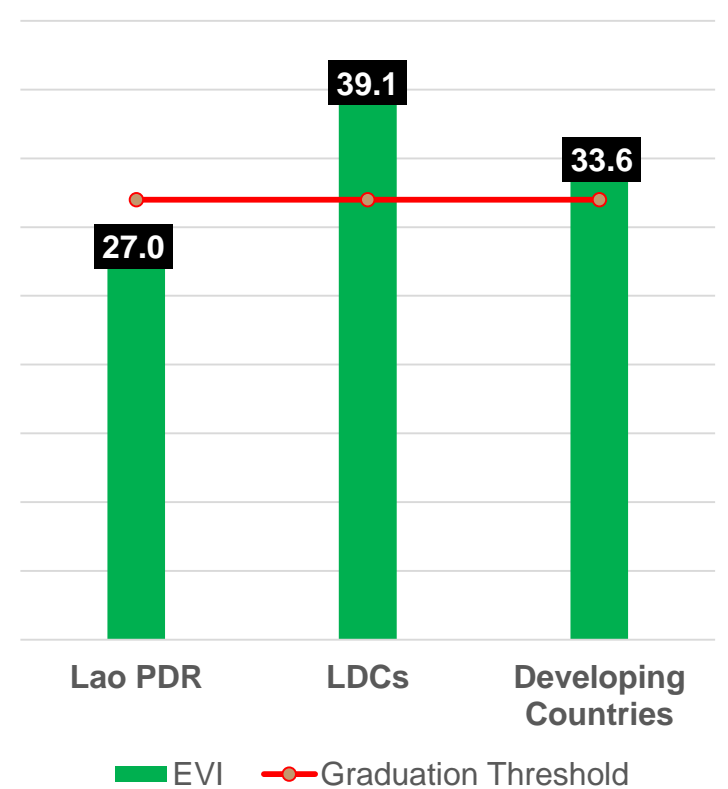
## Gross National Income (GNI) Per Capita



## Human Asset Index (HAI)



## Economic and Environmental Vulnerability Index (EVI)



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## STS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS







# THE PRINCIPLES OF STS PROCESS



A whole-of-government approach



Country-led and owned process



Country-demand driven, timely and of high quality International community support

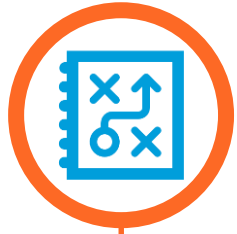


Using existing country systems to the extent possible





# THE MAIN PURPOSES OF THE STS



Identify pathways of Graduation



Identify the parameters that will require management



Determine the most prioritized smooth transition measures, timelines, and responsibilities



Summarize existing information on the impacts of losing LDC-specific ISMs and identify and address any remaining information gaps



Identify mitigation measures for specific significant impacts of graduation

# LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT IN THE STS

## Ministry of Planning and Investment

Role in developing and monitoring national plans and ensuring alignment with the 9<sup>th</sup> NSEDP and coordination with the SDG Secretariat for progress reporting against the SDGs;

## Ministry of Finance

-Role in addressing implications of graduation for access and terms for some concessional finance, advise on investment requirements to maintain levels on measures relevant to the GNI and EVI;

## Ministry of Industry and Commerce

-Role in improving productive capacity and diversifying production and trade, advise on investment requirements to maintain levels on measures relevant to the EVI;

## Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

Role in safeguarding livelihoods (sector which occupies the majority of the workforce) and positioning the agricultural sector within the global value chain;

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## Ministry of Health

Role to provide input and advise on investment requirements to maintain levels on measures relevant to the HAI;

## Ministry of Education and Sport

-Role to provide input and advise on investment requirements to maintain levels on measures relevant to the HAI;

## Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment

-Role of protecting and managing natural assets to reduce vulnerability and drive sustainable development;

## Ministry of Public Works and Transport

Role of infrastructure in supporting trade diversification and productivity improvements;

# APPROACH AND TIMELINE

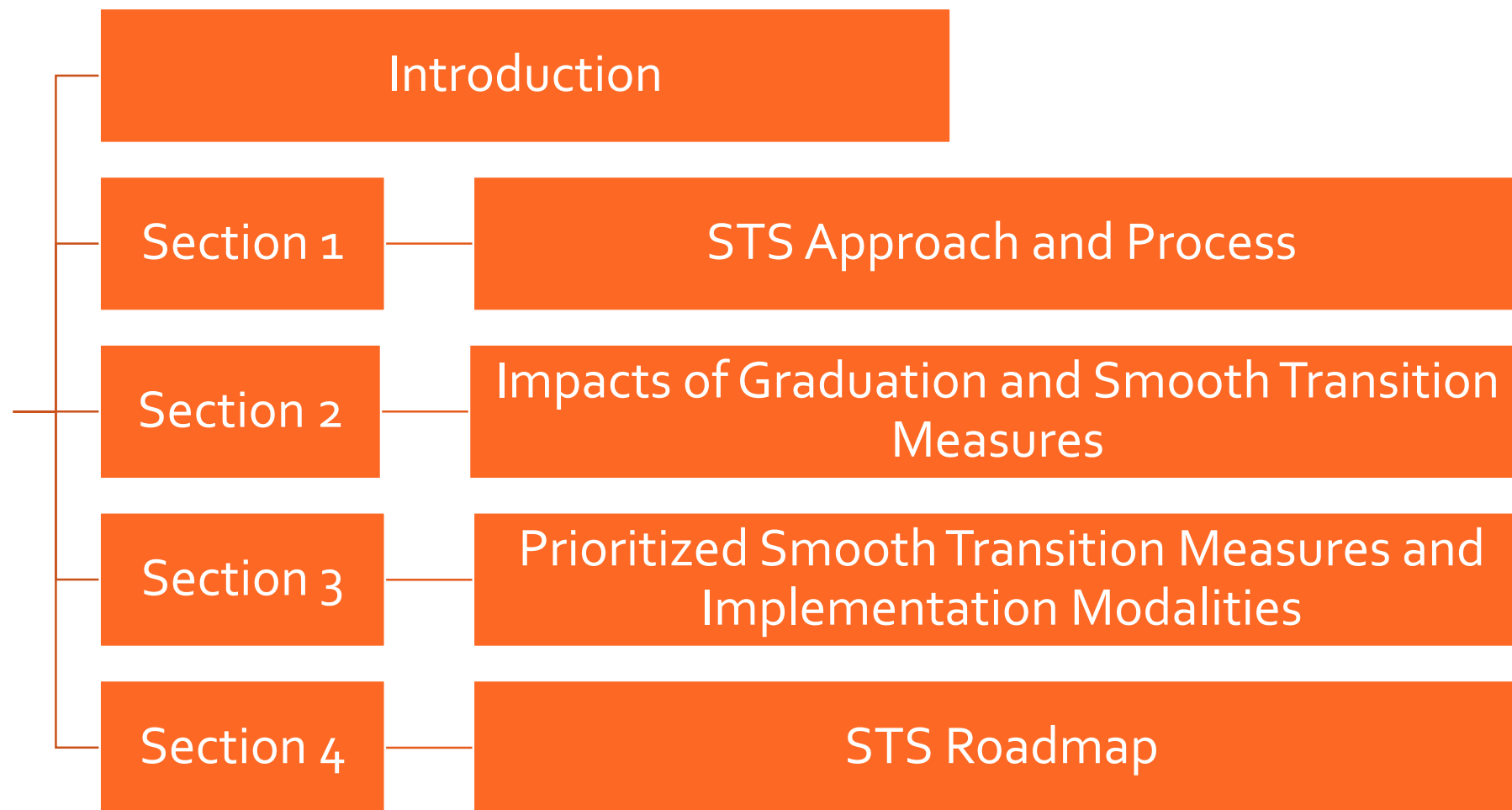
Presentation of Lao PDRs approach and plans to develop the STS, including anticipated consultations, work streams, and support from development partners at the 13<sup>th</sup> High-Level Roundtable Meeting

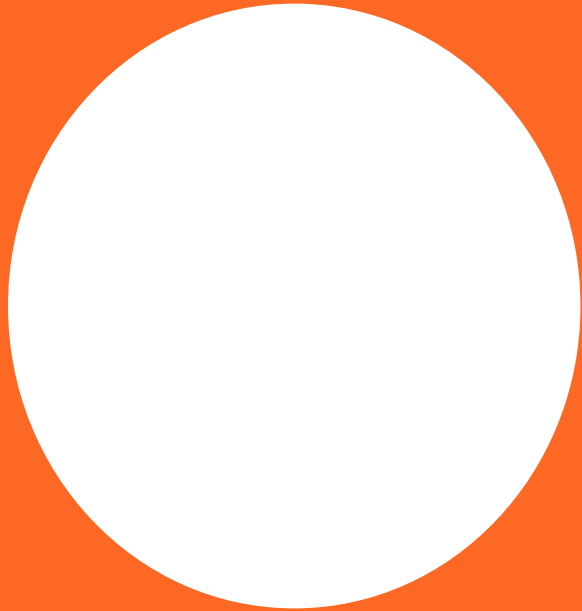
Invitation to the LDC Transitional Support Group for stakeholder consultation throughout the process of developing the STS and the opportunity for outlining the further LDC support engagement

At Doha LDC5 (Jan 2022), a presentation of the Doha Programme of Action operationalisation, outlining the draft STS

Finalization and endorsement of the STS by Q1-Q2 2022

# MAIN CONTENT OF THE STS





**THANK YOU!**