World leaders will meet virtually today and tomorrow for the 2020 Riyadh Summit to address global challenges. The meeting closes the work of the G20 Saudi Presidency this year under the theme “Realizing Opportunities of the 21st Century for All.” The Saudi G20 Presidency is committed to leading joint efforts to build strong, sustainable, and inclusive growth and recovery. This can only be achieved by tackling inequalities and supporting the most vulnerable, ensuring opportunities for all, and enabling access to basic services for development.

The COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the need to achieve these goals and demanded a quick reaction to save lives while ensuring a better future for all. The G20 has led the fight against the global pandemic, taking swift and unprecedented action by contributing over $21bn to support global health systems and the hunt for a vaccine, making available over $14bn in debt relief for developing nations to ensure they can focus their resources on fighting the pandemic, and injecting $11 trillion so far to safeguard the global economy and protect lives and livelihoods.

With a focus on restoring growth, through the COVID-19 crisis, the discussions today will begin at 4:00 PM local time, with a side event focused on pandemic preparedness and response taking place shortly after.

The agenda continues Sunday at 3:30 PM local time with a side event on safeguarding the planet, followed by leaders' discussions at 4:00 PM revolving around recovering stronger by putting in measures to build resilience. The Saudi Leadership will be holding a press conference after the summit ends brief the world on the Summit's main conclusions.

Media are invited to submit questions online using the submission form found here. Every attempt will be made to answer as many questions as possible during the allocated time.

Further information about the G20, including the Presidency Agenda and full program of events, visit www.g20.org.

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