

Media Update

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What: National Consultative Forum on ICPD Beyond 2014, Islamabad
When: 4 August 2015 (9am to 11am)
Where: Serena Hotel, Sheeshmahal III Islamabad

Brief Background:

Twenty years ago in Cairo, Egypt, countries adopted the Plan of Action for the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), thus recognizing that reproductive health and rights, as well as women's empowerment and gender equality, are cornerstones of sustainable development. As the lifespan of the ICPD drew close, the United Nations through its General Assembly resolution 65/234, called for an operational review of the implementation of the ICPD Plan of Action. Member States, the UN System and civil society organizations have over the last 2 to 3 years been engaged in wide-reaching consultative processes to review country and regional level progress against the ICPD targets. Member States have called for the inclusion of the findings and recommendations, which they consider to be transformational, in the post-2015 development agenda, now known as *Sustainable Development Goals*.

In close collaboration with the Government of Pakistan, the National Consultative Forum on the ICPD will enable Pakistan to take stock of what has been achieved over the last 20 years under the ICPD framework and to underline the unfinished agenda. The Forum is a platform for stakeholders to re-commit to the global population and development targets and to translate or integrate these commitments into national and sub-national development plans and strategies. The Forum is also very timely as it contributes to ongoing conversations about the SDGs.

Key Speakers:

- H. E. Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Federal Minister for Planning Development and Reform
- H. E. Mrs. Saira Afzal Tarar, Minister of State for National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination
- Mr. Michel Jones, United Nations Resident Coordinator
- Ms. Sarah Masala, UNFPA Officer-in-Charge

You are kindly invited to attend and cover the event.

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PRESS RELEASE

Consensus Reached on New Sustainable Development Agenda to be adopted by World Leaders in September

Ambitious new agenda would end poverty by 2030 and universally promote economic prosperity, social development and environmental protection

2 August, New York—The 193 Member States of the United Nations reached agreement today on the draft outcome document that will constitute the new sustainable development agenda that will be adopted this September by world leaders at the Sustainable Development Summit in New York.

Concluding a negotiating process that has spanned more than two years and has featured the unprecedented participation of civil society, countries agreed to an ambitious agenda that features 17 new sustainable development goals



that aim to end poverty, promote prosperity and people's well-being while protecting the environment by 2030.

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon welcomed the agreement, saying it "encompasses a universal, transformative and integrated agenda that heralds an historic turning point for our world."

"This is the People's Agenda, a plan of action for ending poverty in all its dimensions, irreversibly, everywhere, and leaving no one behind. It seeks to ensure peace and prosperity, and forge partnerships with people and planet at the core. The integrated, interlinked and indivisible 17 Sustainable Development Goals are the people's goals and demonstrate the scale, universality and ambition of this new Agenda."

Mr. Ban said the September Summit, where the new agenda will be adopted, "will chart a new era of Sustainable Development in which poverty will be eradicated, prosperity shared and the core drivers of climate change tackled."

He added that the UN System stands ready to support the implementation of the new agenda, which builds on the successful outcome of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in Addis Ababa, and which, he said, will also contribute to achieve a meaningful agreement in the COP21 in Paris in December.

More than 150 world leaders are expected to attend the Sustainable Development Summit at the UN headquarters in New York between 25 to 27 September to formally adopt the outcome document of the new sustainable agenda.

The new sustainable development agenda builds on the success of the Millennium Development Goals, which helped more than 700 million people escape poverty. The eight Millennium

Development Goals, adopted in 2000, aimed at an array of issues that included slashing poverty, hunger, disease, gender inequality, and access to water and sanitation by 2015.

The new sustainable development goals, and the broader sustainability agenda, go much further, addressing the root causes of poverty and the universal need for development that works for all people.

The preamble of the 29-page text, “Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,” states, “We are resolved to free the human race within this generation from the tyranny of poverty and want and to heal and secure our planet for the present and for future generations.” It continues, “We are determined to take the bold and transformative steps which are urgently needed to shift the world onto a sustainable and resilient path. As we embark on this collective journey, we pledge that no one will be left behind.”

Rio+20 and the intergovernmental process

At the Rio+20 Conference of 2012, Member States agreed to launch a process to develop a set of sustainable development goals, which will build upon the Millennium Development Goals. The Millennium Development Goals have proven that goal-setting can lift millions out of poverty, improve well-being and provide vast new opportunities for better lives. It was agreed that the new goals would be global in nature and universally applicable to all countries while taking into account different national realities, capacities and levels of development and respecting national policies and priorities.

The negotiations were co-facilitated by the UN Permanent Representative of Ireland, Ambassador David Donohue, and the UN Permanent Representative of Kenya, Ambassador Macharia Kamau, over two years. The inclusive and transparent consultations by Member States, with the strong engagement of civil society and other stakeholders, have served as a basis for the conclusion of the intergovernmental negotiations on the emerging universal and people-centred agenda.

Core elements of the draft outcome document

The outcome document highlights poverty eradication as the overarching goal of the new development agenda and has at its core the integration of the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development. The emerging development agenda is unique in that it calls for action by all countries, poor, rich and middle-income. Member States pledge that as they embark on this collective journey, no one will be left behind. The ‘five Ps’—people, planet, prosperity, peace, and partnership—capture the broad scope of the agenda.

The 17 sustainable goals and 169 targets aim at tackling key systemic barriers to sustainable development such as inequality, unsustainable

consumption and production patterns, inadequate infrastructure and lack of decent jobs. The environmental dimension of sustainable

development is covered in the goals on oceans and marine resources and on ecosystems and biodiversity, bringing core issues into the goal and target framework.

The means of implementation outlined in the outcome document match its ambitious goals and focus on finance, technology and capacity development. In addition to a stand-alone goal on the means of implementation for the new agenda, specific means are tailored to each of the sustainable development goals.

Member States stressed that the desired transformations will require a departure from “business as usual” and that intensified international cooperation on many fronts will be required. The agenda calls for a revitalized, global partnership for sustainable development, including for multi-stakeholder partnerships. The agenda also calls for increased capacity-building and better data and statistics to measure sustainable development.

An effective follow-up and review architecture – a core element of the outcome document - will be critical to support the implementation of the new agenda. The High Level Political Forum on sustainable development, set up after the Rio+20 Conference, will serve as the apex forum for follow up and review and will thus play a central role. The General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and specialized agencies will also be engaged in reviewing progress in specific areas.

Based on the outcome document, the agenda will include a Technology Facilitation Mechanism to support the new goals, based on multi-stakeholder collaboration between Member States, civil society, business, the scientific community, and the UN system of agencies. The Mechanism, which was agreed at the Addis Conference in July, will have an inter-agency task team, a forum on science, technology and innovation, and an on-line platform for collaboration.

The successful outcome of the Addis Conference gave important positive momentum to the last stretch of negotiations on the post-2015 development agenda. It is expected that the consensus reached on the outcome document will provide momentum for the negotiations on a new binding

climate change treaty to culminate at the Climate Change Conference in Paris from 30 November to 11 December 2015.

The draft agreement can be found at : <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015>

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Expression of Interest

Media Coverage

United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21/CMP11), Paris, France

The United Nations Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC) has the pleasure to invite your media organization to submit your Expression of Interest for the booking of workspace to assist with your media coverage of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21/CMP11) that will take place in Paris - Le Bourget.

The conference will take place from 30th November to 11th December 2015.

A media centre, including an International Broadcast Centre (IBC), will be established at the venue providing facilities to fulfill the needs of Television and Radio Broadcasters and Press News Agencies. Workspaces in the IBC are limited and therefore are offered on an approval basis. Applications for workspaces is now open and submissions must be received by the deadline of Monday 31st August 2015.

Applicants will receive an email acknowledgement of their application. Immediately following the aforementioned deadline allocations will be applied according to the space available. All applicants will then be notified and confirmation or otherwise will be given on or before 30th September 2015.



Overview of the meeting venue

- All primary areas will be on the ground floor. This includes the Two Plenary Halls, the 3 Press Conference Rooms and the Media Centre.
- The Media Centre will be on two levels. TV workspaces and the MCR will be on the ground floor and Radio workspaces will be on the upper mezzanine level. The open writing press area will be split between the two levels.
- The Plenaries and Press Conference Rooms are all within a short walking distance of the Media Centre.

It is recommended that you visit <http://www.cop21.gouv.fr> and <http://unfccc.int/press> for further general information regarding the Conference.

Accommodation

Media representatives accredited to cover UNFCCC meetings are responsible for their own travel and hotel or other accommodation bookings and arrangements. 2 Accommodation is plentiful in Paris generally all within a 60min journey of the Conference venue. Accommodation ranges from Self Catering Apartments to a choice and range of Hotels. If you require assistance in locating and booking accommodation for your stay in Paris please visit <http://www.cop21.gouv.fr> and follow the links for accommodation. It is recommended that bookings be made as early as possible to secure rooms.

Transport

A continuous shuttle bus transport system will operate between all the hotels within the Roissy-Charles-de-Gaulle hotel zone, the immediate area adjacent to the conference venue. For those staying outside this area it is recommended to use the public rail network to reach Le Bourget Station from where there will be a bus shuttle service to and from the conference venue (running every 5mins). The coverage of the bus shuttle transport system will be published on <http://www.cop21.gouv.fr>.

For those staying within Paris, Le Bourget station is best reached from the 'Gare du Nord' station via the RER line B. You can also take Metro line 7 to "Fort d'Aubervilliers" station with a connecting shuttle bus to the conference

site. For those arriving through 'Charles De Gaulle Airport', Le Bourget is only 2 stops on the rail line towards Paris.

Taxis are available throughout Paris and will be an option for getting to the Conference venue. There will be a 'drop off and pick-up' point at the entrance of the Conference.

Press Accreditation

Only those accredited will have access to the Conference. Accreditation will be granted upon presentation of valid press credentials in accordance with United Nations requirements outlined in the Accreditation Form that can be found on the UNFCCC web site at: <http://unfccc.int/press>

All Media must accredit with the United Nations under the name and letter of assignment of their respective media organisations. Accreditation will be opened in August 2015.

Visa Requirements

EU nationals and nationals from several States (outside the European Union) do not need an Entry Visa to France and are free to enter and stay in France for a period of 3 months. Nationals from other States must be in possession of a short-stay Visa which allows entry for 90 days. In most cases Visas are issued within 48 hrs. Please visit <http://www.cop21.gouv.fr/en/practical-arrangements/coming-France> for rules regarding Visas.

Filming Licenses

Filming within the Conference venue is unrestricted in all public areas only. Filming within the meeting rooms is not permitted although there will be limited access to the Plenary Halls. Further details in this regard will be contained in a bulletin which will be available in print and online at the commencement of the Conference. Filming in and around Paris or anywhere else in France (outside of the Conference venue) is unrestricted and will not require special permissions as long as the filming content is for 'News' and not 'Documentary' – type coverage. As guests in France please respect the local laws and do not infringe on people's privacy or cause obstruction.

Press Working Area



- Approximately 1000 workspaces including desk, chairs and electrical sockets will be available. Bookings do not need to be applied for these spaces and will be available on a first come first served basis.
- 100 Positions will be provided with free-for-use Laptops with RJ45 plugNplay wired Internet access.
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- The remaining 700 positions will be unserviced with only desk, chair and power. These are free-for-use for those who have their own computers and can connect to the WiFi.
- XLR connectivity will be centrally located for audio capture in Floor, English & French languages from the 2 Plenary Halls
- WiFi connectivity will be available throughout the Media Centre.
- CCTV Monitors will be available within the Press Writing Area providing live coverage of all proceedings including a scrolling agenda of the meetings.
- Press News Agencies with over 6 journalists attending can apply for a larger dedicated space within the IBC.

Television and Radio Work Spaces (all within the IBC)

- 120 open plan workstations are available (2.1m x 1,4m) including worktop, 3 chairs, electrical sockets, connection to the Host Broadcasters feed, one RJ45 plugNplay wired internet connection and a CCTV Monitor to follow proceedings.
- The Host Broadcaster will distribute the signals through XLR inside the media center and in the Press Conference rooms.
- These workstations will be arranged next to each other in a large room separated by partitions. The configuration of the workstations will be designed to suit and accommodate broadcasters based on individual requirements and number of personnel attending (which must be included with the Expression of Interest).
- Each workstation will be allocated one lockable cabinet (120cm x 45cm x 60cm).
- There will also be a limited number of 'larger' lockable cubicles for Broadcasters who warrant the space. These will be allocated on a first come, first served basis and an indication of this space should be given in your Expression of Interest. The lockable cubicles will not be soundproofed and will not have a ceiling.
- WiFi access to the Internet will be available throughout the Media Centre. 4
- Positions for SNG vehicles or Flyaway Dishes will be available within 200

meters of the International Broadcast Centre. Request for this facility should be included in your Expression of Interest.

There will be a communal lockable storage area for those requiring to store their flight boxes or other items during the period of the Conference.

Uplink Facilities

Broadcasters who intend to bring their own uplink services must include this in their applications. This should include whether it will be an SNG or Flyaway that will be brought to the Conference venue.

There is a large parking area at the rear of the Media Centre already reserved for SNG's and Flyway's. 16 amp single-phase, 32amp single-phase or three-phase power will be provided, your need should clearly be given on your Expression of Interest. Independent power supplies, including generators will not be permitted.

Those without their own Uplink Facilities and who require this service can book onsite through a commercial provider. Provider to be advised.

Stand Up Positions

Up to 30 Stand Up positions will be available spread throughout the venue. Specific locations are still to be determined. Some will be located at the Conference entrance. This will be outdoors and will have the entrance and flags as a backdrop. These positions will be approximately 1000 meters from the 'Satellite farm' and media centre. Others will be located within the venue and will have suitable backdrops. These will be within 200-500 metres from the 'Satellite farm' and media centre. More exact cable run distances will be confirmed closer to the conference.

All stand up positions will be allocated on a first come first served basis and interest in these must be included in the Expression of Interest application.

Those requiring to 'cable' positions booked will need to undertake installations preconference on specific dates which will be advised.

Open Day

An 'Open Day' will be arranged on a date to be advised for Broadcasters to tour the facilities to acquaint themselves with the positions of the Stand Up positions, Satellite Farm and Media Centre. The date will be within the 2 weeks preceding the Conference. Interest in attending this 'Open Day' is to be given in the applications.

This will be the only opportunity to visit the conference venue ahead of the official opening day of the Media Centre.

Commercially Available Services

Additional services (e.g. telephone, independent Internet access, ISDN lines etc.) will be available. These will be provided by the communication provider 'Orange'. You can send your requirements to Clarisse.dessous@orange.com and Jeanpierre.bidau@sarm-conseil.fr

Those expressing interest in these services will be provided with the contact details where bookings can be made on a commercial basis. The deadline for these bookings will be 15th September 2015.

There will be limited computerized editing facilities with personnel offered by the Host Broadcaster.

There will not be a dedicated 'Radio Studio' but there will be a soundproofed 'Quiet Room' from where Radio Broadcasters can submit their pieces. This will be available on a booking arrangement through the IBC Manager

Summary

Requests for the any of the facilities included in this Expression of Interest must be included in the Applications being submitted noting:

1. Approximate number of personnel in your team
2. Designation i.e., Text reporting, TV or Radio
3. Commercial Services that may be required
4. Interest in Stand Up positions and any relevant requirements related to this, e.g. feed, to/from the MCR power etc.
5. Whether space for an SNG Truck or Flyaway is needed. If so please provide:
 - Make, registration and overall dimensions of the vehicle. In the case of Flyway's the base area needed.
 - Any requirements over and above parking space.

- The direction and elevation needed.
- The dates that you intend to take up the use of the facilities and the anticipated date of departure.
- If arriving after the start of the Conference vehicles will only be permitted to enter the venue between 9pm and 6am and will need to be security searched prior to entry to the venue. Further advice will follow once applications are received.

6. Whether you are interested in attending the 'Open Day'

7. Any specific requirements over and above those mentioned in this document.

The Master Control Room (MCR) will be located within the International Broadcast Centre serviced and managed by the Audiovisual Expert from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development.

Facts to Consider

- Power Supply in Paris is 220volts. Electrical plugs are European standard 2 pin Schuko.
- The Broadcast Signal will be in HD 16x9 in both NTSC and PAL delivered through SDI connection with embedded audio (floor + translations)
- Wired Internet speeds are expected to be 4mbs.
- Catering and refreshments will be available close to the IBC.

CCTV Facility

The Host Broadcaster will cover all proceedings from gavel-to-gavel from Plenaries 1 & 2 and the 3 Press Conference Rooms. All the coverage will be available for monitoring on the CCTV network and is available by those who have access to the clean feeds.

This is ONLY in the IBC within the Media Centre.

The Host Broadcaster's coverage is unrestricted and available for free use.

Dates Facilities are Available

All the above-mentioned Media Facilities will be available from Monday 30th November 2015 through to the end of the Conference scheduled for Friday 11th December 2015.



The Media Centre will be available for 'set-up' from Sunday 29th November 2015. An indication of your intended date of arrival and departure would be useful.

All Expressions of Interest should be submitted by email to the IBC Manager, Tim Davis, before Monday 31st August 2015 to ensure early reservation of space.

Any alterations to the facilities being offered, that may occur due to logistical, technical or security reasons will be advised at the time of confirmation of your application.

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