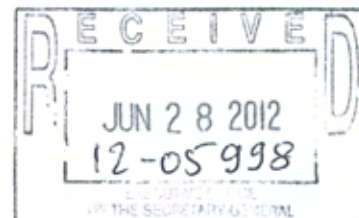


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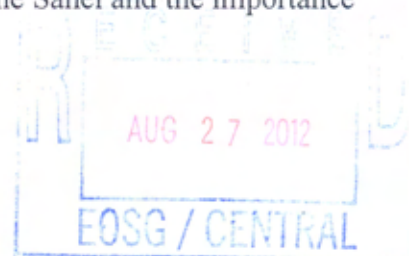
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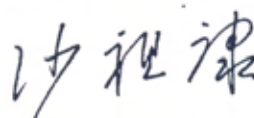
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The General Segment (23–27 July) will review reports of the Council's subsidiary and expert bodies, system-wide coordination and review of specific development issues and special country or regional issues, including the long term support to Haiti, as well as implementation of integrated, coherent and coordinated support to South Sudan.

Overall preparations for the substantive session are moving well. Over 40 Ministers and high-level representatives have so far confirmed participation in the High-level Segment. In addition, more than twenty side events are being organized by Member States and UN system organizations.

The full programme of the High-level Segment and a scenario regarding your participation are attached. ✓



Sha Zukang
27 June 2012

cc: Deputy Secretary-General
Chef de Cabinet
Mr. Robert Orr



2012 High-level Segment

New York, 2 - 9 July

Draft programme

Monday, 2 July

Morning session

- 9:00 am - 9:15 am **Adoption of agenda (ECOSOC Chamber)**
- 9:15 am - 10:00 am **Opening of the High-level Segment**
Miloš Koterec, President of ECOSOC
Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations
Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the 66th Session of the General Assembly
- 10:00 am - 11:00 am **Keynote addresses**
Sauli Niinistö, President of Finland.
Juan Somavía, Director-General of the International Labour Organization
Tan Sri Dato' Azman Shah Haron, President of the International Organization of Employers
Sharan Burrow, General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation
Danielle Fong, Chief Science Officer and Co-Founder LightSail Energy
- 11:00 am - 12: 00 pm **Policy messages from Annual Ministerial Review preparatory meetings**
Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting - Kyoto, Japan, 7 December 2011
Nakano, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs
Africa Regional Meeting - Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 25 March 2012
Ahmed Shide, State Minister of Finance and Economic Development
Latin America and Caribbean Regional Meeting - Montevideo, Uruguay - 27 April 2012

Eduardo Brenta, Minister of Labour and Social Security

Europe (Turkey) Presentation of National Consultation on Youth Employment in 11 European countries

Faruk Celik, Minister of Labour and Social Security

Policy message from the Partnerships event

David Arkless, President, Corporate and Government Affairs, Manpower Group

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm **Annual Ministerial Review: National voluntary presentation**
Algeria Abdelkader Messahel, African Affairs Minister

Moderator: Conny Czymoch, Moderator, Phoenix television, Germany

1:15 pm - 2:45 pm **Luncheon for heads of delegation** hosted by the President of ECOSOC (by invitation only)

Afternoon session

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm **National voluntary presentations**
Russia Vitaly Kolbanov, Department of Analyses and Prognosis of Health Development and Social and Labor Spheres, Ministry of Health and Social Development

Brazil Carloz Brizola, Minister of Labor and Employment

Moderator: Conny Czymoch, Moderator, Phoenix television, Germany

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm **National voluntary presentations**
Ecuador Fander Falconi, Minister of National Planning for Development

Ukraine: Mykola Azarov, Prime Minister

Moderator: José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Director, Employment Sector, ILO

Tuesday 3 July

Morning session

8:15 am - 9:45 am **AMR ministerial breakfast roundtable*** on Workers with family responsibilities: connecting child development and the decent work agenda” hosted by UNICEF and ILO

AMR ministerial breakfast roundtable* on *The new ILO recommendations on social protection floors* hosted by ILO

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10:00 am - 12:00 pm **High-level policy dialogue with the international financial and trade institutions on current developments in the world economy**
 Sha Zukang, United Nations Under-Secretary-General, UNDESA
 Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD
 Min Zhu, Deputy Managing Director, IMF
 Valentine Rugwabiza, Deputy Director-General, WTO
 Hans Timmer, Director, Development Prospects Group, World Bank

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm **Reports of the Secretary-General to the AMR and thematic discussion**
 Sha Zukang, United Nations Under-Secretary-General, UNDESA

Report of the Committee for Development Policy
 Frances Stewart, Chairperson of the Committee for Development Policy (video-link)

 Commencement of **General Debate**

Afternoon session

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm **National voluntary presentations**
 Kenya John Munyes Kiyong'a, Minister of Labour

 Mauritius K. S. Sukon, Human Resources Development Council

 Qatar Saleh bin Mohammed Al Nabit, Secretary General for the General Secretariat for Development Planning

Moderator: Edward Carr, Associate Professor, Department of Geography at the University of South Carolina

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Continuation of **General debate** (in parallel with the NVP) Room 3, NLB)

Wednesday 4 July Official Holiday

Thursday 5 July 2012 Development Cooperation Forum

Morning session

8:15 am - 9:45 am **AMR ministerial breakfast roundtable*** on *Promoting productive capacity for sustainable livelihood: the role of cooperatives* hosted by DESA/FAO/ILO

DCF Breakfast Meeting* on building partnerships for future of development cooperation

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- 10:00 am - 10:30 am **Opening session**
Miloš Koterec, President of ECOSOC
Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations
- 10:30 am - 11:30 pm **The future of development cooperation**
SG's Report to the 2012 DCF
Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
Addresses: Drivers of change - what is the future of development cooperation?
Keynote addresses
Bob Carr, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Australia
LI Baodong, Permanent Representative and Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations
Michelle Bachelet, Executive Director, UN Women
- 11:30 am - 1:00 pm **Interactive session: *Cooperative solutions for global challenges- development cooperation and sustainable development***
Joanna Kerr, CEO, ActionAid International (moderator)
Heikki Holmås, Minister of International Development, Norway
Abul Maal Abdul Muhith, Minister of Finance, Bangladesh
Panitchpakdi Supachai, Secretary-General, UNCTAD
- 1:15 pm - 2: 45 pm **Friends of the DCF meeting (by invitation)**
- Afternoon session**
- 3:00 pm - 4:45 pm ***Where should aid go and how can it unlock other resources?***
Parallel special policy dialogues
A. Allocating aid: are competing priorities addressed?
Panel
Helen Clark, Administrator of UNDP, Chair, undg (moderator)
Amadou Boubacar Cissé, Minister of State, Planning and Community Development, Niger
Jon Lomøy, Director, Development Cooperation Directorate, OECD
Lydia Alpizar Duran, Executive Director, Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID)
B. What lies beyond aid? (Room 6, NLB)
Pitchette Kampeta Sayinzoga, Permanent Secretary and Secretary to the Treasury, Rwanda (moderator)

Anne Sipiläinen, Under-Secretary of State, Development Cooperation and Development Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland

Min Zhu, Deputy Managing Director, IMF

Jesse Griffiths, Director, EURODAD

Making accountability operational: practice and findings

5:00 pm - 5:15 pm

Introductory Address

"Why do mutual accountability and aid transparency matter?"

Martin Dahinden, Director General, Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation, Switzerland

Special presentation

Findings of 2nd Survey on Mutual Accountability for the DCF?

Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, UNDESA

5:15 pm - 6:00 pm

Debate: Strengthening capacity and political buy-in for mutual accountability

Sigrid Kaag, Assistant-Secretary-General, Bureau for External Relations and Advocacy, UNDP (Moderator)

Speakers:

Oburu Oginga, Assistant Minister for Finance, Kenya

Gisela Hammerschmidt, Deputy Director General, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany

Saber Hossain Chowdhury, Member of Parliament, Bangladesh

Meja Vitalice, Reality of Aid Africa

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Thematic and Regional Workshops (In parallel)

Mutual accountability in post-conflict countries and countries in vulnerable situations

Peter Moors, Director General for Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation, Belgium (moderator)

Abdou Karim Meckassoua, Minister of Planning and Economy, Central African Republic

Maureen Quinn, Senior Advisor, International Peace Institute (IPI)

Yoka Brandt, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF

Matthias Schmale, Under Secretary General, National Society and Knowledge Development, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Mutual accountability and transparency in Africa: progress and challenges (Room 6 NLB)

Samura Kamara, Minister of Finance, Sierra Leone(Moderator)
 Pacharo Ralph Jooma MP, Deputy Minister of Finance, Malawi
 Olivier Kamitatu Etsu, Member of Parliament, Democratic
 Republic of Congo
 Collins Magalasi, Executive Director, AFRODAD
 Namhla Mniki-Mangaliso, Director, African Monitor

Strengthening development cooperation in the Pacific: what can regional compacts contribute? (Room 5 NLB)

Feleti Teo, Deputy Secretary-General, Pacific Island Forum Secretariat (Moderator)
 Amanda Ellis, Deputy Secretary International Development, Head of the New Zealand Aid Programme , Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, New Zealand
 Noumea Simi, Assistant CEO, Ministry of Finance Samoa
 Emele Duituturaga, Executive Director of Pacific Islands Association of non-governmental organizations (PIANGO)

Friday 6 July

Morning session

8:15 am - 9:45 am

AMR ministerial breakfast roundtable* on *Decent Work and Women's Economic Empowerment : Good policy and practice* hosted by UN Women and ILO

AMR ministerial breakfast roundtable* on *Working well: Safe-guarding adolescent and youth livelihood in the face of NCDs and their risk factors* hosted by UNICEF, WHO NCD Alliance

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| 10:00 am - 12:00am | <p>The lessons learned from South-South and triangular cooperation</p> <p>Interactive debate Deborah Brautigam, Associate Professor of International Development, American University, Washington D.C. (moderator)</p> <p>What can we learn from South-South cooperation? Ahmed Shide, State Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Ethiopia Nguyen The Phuong, Vice Minister of Planning and Investment, Viet Nam Miles Sampa, Deputy Minister of Finance and National Planning, Zambia Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General, UNCTAD</p> <p>Institutions for South-South development cooperation: emerging trends Serdar Cam, President, Turkish International Development and Cooperation Agency (TIKA) Masato Watanabe, Vice President, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Martin Rivero, Executive Director of the Uruguayan Agency for International Cooperation</p> |
| 12:00 pm -1:00 pm | <p>Global Development cooperation: <i>the evolving role of private philanthropic organisations and decentralized cooperation</i></p> <p>Roundtables (parallel sessions)</p> <p>A. Private philanthropic organizations <i>How does private philanthropy engage with development cooperation?</i></p> <p>Introductory remarks <i>Harnessing private flows to sustain development</i> Marie-Josée Jacobs, Minister of Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance, Luxembourg</p> <p>Panel: Ron Bruder, Chair and founder of Education for Employment (EFE) (Moderator) Tariq Al Gurg, CEO, Dubai Cares Muna Abusulyman, Secretary General, Alwaleed bin Talal Foundation of KSA Iqbal Noor Ali, Senior Advisor, Aga Khan Development Network</p> |

Heather Grady, Vice President of Foundations Initiatives (VPFI), Rockefeller Foundation

B. Decentralised development cooperation (Room 6 NLB)

What are the scope and key characteristics of decentralised cooperation among regions and municipalities?

Roundtable moderated by:

Gabriela Rosero, Technical Secretary for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Integration, Ecuador

With the participation of:

Carles Llorens Vila, Director General for International Cooperation of the Government of Catalonia, Spain

Jorge Miguel Samek, Executive Director, Italipu, Brazil

Jürgen Nimptsch, Lord Mayor of Bonn

Anthony Egyir Aikins, Mayor of Cape Coast, Ghana

Patricia Ayala, Intendente of the Uruguayan Department of Artigas, Uruguay

Berry Vrbanovich, President of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Co-Chair of the Decentralised Cooperation Committee of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

Afternoon session

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

2012 Thematic Focus - Gearing development cooperation towards sustainable development (Room 6 NLB)

Open Forum *Where do we go from Rio?*

With the participation of:

Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, DESA

Juan Somavia, Director General, ILO

Rio+20 Ministerial Speaker

Roberto Bissio, Coordinator of Social Watch

4:30 pm - 5:45 pm

Forging ahead: partnering for the future of development (Room 6 NLB)

Interactive Debate

Bruce Jones, Director of the Center on International Cooperation, New York University (Moderator)

With the participation of:

Kim Bong-hyun, Deputy Minister of Multilateral and Global Affairs, Republic of Korea

Rogelio Granguillhome, Executive Director of the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEXCID)

Katsuji Imata, Acting Secretary General, CIVICUS
Talaat Abdel Malek, co-Chair, OECD/DAC Working Party on Aid Effectiveness and Economic Adviser to the Minister of International Co-operation, Egypt

- 5:45 pm - 6:00 pm **Closing session (Room 6 nlb)**
Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations
Miloš Koterec, President of ECOSOC
- 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Continuation of **General Debate (ECOSOC Chamber)** (in parallel with DCF)

Monday 9 July

Morning session

- 8:15 am - 9:30 am **Ministerial breakfast roundtable*** on *Building Skills for Green Societies* hosted by UNESCO and ILO
- Ministerial breakfast roundtable*¹** on *Addressing Youth Unemployment as a Strategy for Peacebuilding, Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa* hosted by OSAA
- 9:30 am - 1:00 pm *Accountability, Transparency and Sustainable Development: Turning Challenges into Opportunities*
- Opening remarks**
Miloš Koterec, President of ECOSOC
Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
Yury Fedotov, Under-Secretary-General and Executive-Director, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- Interactive dialogue I: *Creating inclusive and cohesive societies: a multidisciplinary approach to combating corruption for development***
- Moderator:** Dimitri Vlassis, Secretary, Conference of the States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption and Chief, UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch
- Panelists:**
Abdeladim el Guerrouj, Minister of the Public Service and Modernization of Administration, President of the Conference of State Parties to the UN Convention of Corruption, Kingdom of Morocco

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Helen Clark, Administrator, UNDP

Abdul Tejan-Cole, Open Society Foundation Africa Regional Director and former Commissioner of Sierra Leone's Anti-Corruption Commission

Martin Kreutner, Chair of the International Anti-Corruption Academy International Transition Team and Executive Secretary to the Provisional Commission, Austria

Interactive dialogue II: *Shared roles and responsibilities: developing innovative partnerships for comprehensive action against corruption*

Moderator: Rico Hizon, Anchor, BBC Newsday and Asia Business Report

Panelists:

Sergei Dubik, Head, Personnel and State Service Directorate of the President of the Russian Federation (tbc)

Abigail Benzadon Cohen, Executive Secretary, National Council for Transparency and Anti-Corruption, Panama

Leonard McCarthy, Vice President for Integrity, World Bank

Alex Wong, Senior Director, Head of Centre for Business Engagement, World Economic Forum

Closing remarks

Miloš Koterec, President of ECOSOC

Afternoon session

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Thematic roundtable

Implementing effective macroeconomic policies for employment creation

Rico Hizon, Presenter, Asia Business Report, BBC World News (Moderator)

Abul Maal Abdul Muhith, Minister of Finance, Bangladesh

Navi Pillay, High Commissioner, OHCHR

Martin Rama, Lead Economist, Development Research Group, World Bank

Stephen Pursey, Director, Department of Policy Integration International Labour Organization

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Conclusion of General Debate

Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration and closing of the High-level Segment

Sha Zukang, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Miloš Koterec, President of ECOSOC

Scenario for the Secretary-General

2012 Substantive session of the Economic and Social Council High-Level Segment: Opening and Luncheon

Monday, 2 July 2012

Opening of the High-Level Segment

Venue: ECOSOC Chamber - United Nations Headquarters New York

9:15 a.m. The Secretary-General arrives at ECOSOC Chamber and is greeted by the President of the Council. He takes his seat to the right of the President, who sits in the center of the podium. The President of the GA sits to the left of the President. Under-Secretary-General Sha Zukang (DESA) sits to the right of the Secretary-General.

9:16 a.m. Opening of the session, adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

9:25 a.m. Opening statement by H.E. Mr. Milos Koterec President of the Council (8 - 10 minutes) - from his seat on the podium

9:35 a.m. Opening address by the **Secretary-General** (8-10 minutes) – from his seat on the podium

9:45 a.m. Opening statement by H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly (8 - 10 minutes) - from his seat on the podium

9:55 a.m. Keynote address by President Finland (10-15 minutes) – from a rostrum

10:05 a.m. Keynote address by Juan Somavía, Director-General of the International Labour Organization (8-10 minutes)

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Luncheon for Heads of delegation hosted by the President of ECOSOC

Venue: Delegates Dining Room, UN Headquarters, New York

- 1:15 p.m.** The Secretary-General arrives at the Delegates Dining Room and is greeted by the President of the Economic and Social Council. He takes his seat at the head table (to the right of the President). (The full seating chart for the head table tbc)
- 1:20 p.m.** Welcome by the President of the Council – from his seat at the head table [tbc]
- 1:25 p.m.** Toast by the **Secretary-General** - from his seat at the head table [tbc]
- 2:45 p.m.** The Secretary-General departs venue.

Thursday, 5 July 2012

Opening of the Development Cooperation Forum

Venue: ECOSOC Chamber - United Nations Headquarters New York

- 10:00 a.m.** The Secretary-General arrives at ECOSOC Chamber and is greeted by the President of the Council. He takes his seat to the right of the President, who sits in the center of the podium.
- 10:02 a.m.** Opening statement by H.E. Mr. Milos Koterec President of the Council (8 - 10 minutes) - from his seat on the podium
- 10:10 a.m.** Opening address by the **Secretary-General** (8-10 minutes) – from his seat on the podium
- 10:30 a.m.** The Secretary-General departs venue.

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