

Global Ministerial Environment Forum 18 to 20 February 2013

Rio + 20: From Outcome to Implementation

Ministerial Consultations

Structure of the Ministerial Plenary Sessions and Roundtable Discussions

MINISTERIAL PLENARY I

"Rio+20: From Outcome to Implementation"

Monday, 18 February 2013, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Conference Room 1

Chair:

President of the Governing Council of UNEP

Introductory remarks to set the scene – followed by discussion - on the topics related to the implementation of the paragraph 88 of the Rio+20 outcome document "The Future We Want" and the UNGA resolution 67/213 of 21 December 2012 to be covered by the roundtables to follow the Plenary on Tuesday morning, 19 February 2013.

Opening Remarks by Guest of Honour: (10 minutes)

H.R.H. Princess Lalla Hasnaa, Chair Person of Mohammed VI Foundation for the

Protection of the Environment, Morocco

Keynote Speakers (each 15 minutes):

H.E. Mr. Francisco Gaetani, Deputy Minister of Environment of Brazil

Mr. Wu Hongbo, UN Under-Secretary General for Economic and Social Affairs

Facilitator:

H.E. Ms. Annika Markovic, Environment Ambassador, Ministry of Environment, Sweden

Panelists: (each 10 minutes)

Hon. Dr. Terezya L. Huvisa, President of the Bureau of the African Ministerial Conference on Environment (AMCEN), Minister of State for the Environment, Tanzania

Ms. Rebeca Grynspan, UN Under-Secretary-General, Associate Administrator, UNDP

Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, UN Assistant Secretary-General, Special Advisor on Post-2015 Development Planning

Dr. Naoko Ishii, Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson, Global Environment Facility

Mr. Xinsheng Zhang, President of IUCN, Executive Chairman of Eco-Forum Global

Prof. John Knox, Independent Expert on Human Rights and the Environment, UN Human

Rights Council

Discussion:

Closing remarks by Facilitator: (10 minutes)

Documentation to be consulted:

UNEP/GC.27/16 Background papers for the ministerial consultations: Rio+20: From outcome to implementation: A strengthened environmental pillar for sustainable development: Discussion paper presented by the Executive Director: Universal Membership of the United Nations Environment Programme.

Related documents:

1. **UNEP/GC.27/INF/3** Resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its sixtyseventh session of relevance to the United Nations Environment Programme and measures taken and envisaged for the implementation of General Assembly resolution 62/208: Note by the Executive Director.

- 2. Rio+20 outcome document "The Future We Want".
- 3. UNGA resolution 67/213

MINISTERIAL ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSIONS

Tuesday, 19 February 2013, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Three parallel ministerial roundtables in the format Head of Delegation plus one, all dealing with simultaneously the following issues :

- Responsiveness to country needs
- Science-policy interface
- Secure, stable, adequate and increased financial resources to fulfill UNEP's mandate
- Stakeholders' participation
- Future ministerial engagements and institutional arrangements

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2. UNEP/GC.27/INF/5 Statements and recommendations from major groups and stakeholders to the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum at its twenty-seventh session.

- 3. Rio+20 outcomes document "The Future We Want".
- **4.** UNGA resolution 67/213

ROUNDTABLE 1 Conference Room 1

All UN Languages

Co-Chairs:

- H.E. Ms. Rejoice Mabudhafasi, Deputy Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs, South Africa
- H.E. Ms. Doris Leuthard, Federal Counselor for Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications, Switzerland

ROUNDTABLE 2 Conference Room 9+10 All UN Languages Co-Chairs: • H.E. Dr. Mariyam Shakeela, Minister of Environment and Energy, Maldives • H.E. Mr. Ville Niinisto, Minister of Environment, Finland ROUNDTABLE 3 Conference Room NOF 2, level 1 (North Wing) All UN Languages Co-Chairs: • H.E. Mr. Manuel Pulgar Vidal, Minister of Environment of Peru

• H.E. Mr. Bard Vegar Solhjell, Minister of Environment of Norway

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S LUNCH TIME DIALOGUE

ON GREEN ECONOMY IN THE CONTEXT OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

AND POVERTY ERADICATION

Tuesday, 19 February 2013, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Conference Room 1

The lunch time dialogue of Ministers and Heads of delegation plus one, with the UNEP Executive Director aims at sharing experiences and discussing on the ways and means to further the implementation of the Rio+20 outcome document "The Future We Want" as it refers to a green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication. The dialogue is expected to start with an introduction of the Executive Director, followed by a short presentation of PAGE (Partnership for Action on Green Economy) and an interactive dialogue between Ministers and Heads of delegation and the Executive Director.

Opening Remarks

Achim Steiner, UNEP Executive Director

Panelists:

H.E. Mr. Juan José Guerra, Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, Mexico

Mr. Ali Mohamed, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources,

Kenya

H.E. Mr. Yoon Jung-Soo, Vice-Minister of Environment, South Korea

H.E. Ms. Doris Leuthard, Federal Counselor for Environment, Transport, Energy and

Communications, Switzerland

Dialogue of the Executive Director with Ministers and Heads of Delegation and the representatives of other agencies including PAGE founding partners (ILO, UNIDO, UNITAR) (25 minutes)

Closing Remarks by the Executive Director and Group Photo

Documentation to be consulted:

UNEP/GC.27/INF/19 Green Economy in the Context of Sustainable Development and Poverty Eradication: Background note by the Executive Director.

Related documents:

Rio+20 outcomes document "The Future We Want".

MINISTERIAL ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSIONS

Tuesday, 19 February 2013, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Three ministerial roundtables in the format Ministers and Heads of Delegation plus one, all dealing simultaneously with the following issues:

- Environmental challenges within sustainable development and UNEP's contribution to SDGs
- Promoting sustainable consumption and production

Documentation to be consulted:

UNEP/GC.27/16/Add.1 Background papers for the ministerial consultations: Rio+20: From outcome to implementation: Environmental challenges within sustainable development and UNEP's contribution to sustainable development goals; Promoting sustainable consumption and production. Discussion paper presented by the Executive Director.

Related documents:

1. UNEP/GC.27/5: Progress in the implementation of decision SS.XII/7 on work by the United Nations Environment Programme on sustainable consumption and production: Report of the Executive Director.

2. **UNEP/GC.27/INF/13** Responsible resource management for sustainable world: Findings from the International Resource Panel: Note by the Executive Director.

3. **UNEP/GC.27/INF/3** Resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its sixtyseventh session of relevance to the United Nations Environment Programme and measures taken and envisaged for the implementation of General Assembly resolution 62/208: Note by the Executive Director.

- 4. Rio+20 outcomes document "The Future We Want".
- 5. UNGA resolution 67/203

ROUNDTABLE 4 Conference Room 1

All UN Languages

Co-Chairs:

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H.E. Mr. Susil Premajayantha, Minister of Environment, Sri Lanka

•	H.E. Mr. Richard H. R. Benyon, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Natural		
	Environment, Water and Rural Affairs, United Kingdom		
ROUNDTABLE 5 Conference Room 9+10			
All UN Languages			
Co-Chairs:			
•	H.E. Mr. Sylvester Clauzel, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Sustainable		
	Development, Energy, Science and Technology, St. Lucia		
•	H.E. Mr. Janez Potočnik, Commissioner for the Environment, European		
	Commission		
	ROUNDTABLE 6 Conference Room NOF2, level 1, (North Wing)		
All UN Languages			
Co-Chairs:			
•	Mr. Boubakeur Houmane, Chief of Cabinet of Minister, Ministry of Environment,		
	Tunisia		
•	H.E. Ms. Khatuna Gogaladze, Minister of Environmental Protection, Georgia		

MINISTERIAL REGIONAL CONSULTATIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES AND UNEP'S REGIONAL PRESENCE AND RESPONSIVENESS

Wednesday, 20 February 2013, 10:00 a.m. - 11.30 am.

The Ministers and Heads of delegation will hold consultations by UN regions lead by their respective group's coordinators on environmental challenges and UNEP's regional presence and responsiveness to country needs.

UNEP Executive Director and Regional Directors will be at the Ministers and Heads of delegation disposal to participate in the consultations if so decided by the latter.

Documentation to be consulted:

UNEP/GC.27/16 Background papers for the ministerial consultations: Rio+20: From outcome to implementation: A strengthened environmental pillar for sustainable development: Discussion paper presented by the Executive Director: Universal Membership of the United Nations Environment Programme – part III. Responsiveness to country needs; pp. 4-7.

African Group: Conference Room 1	EERG: Conference Room 7		
Director of ROA	Director of ROE		
Asia Pacific: Conference Rooms 9 + 10	WEOG: Conference Room 14		
Directors of ROAP, ROWA	Director of RONA, Head of the Brussels Liaison Office		
GRULAC: NOF2, level 1 (North Wing)			

Director of ROLAC

MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON KEY ISSUES

Wednesday, 20 February 2013, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Conference Room 1

Chair:

President of the Governing Council

The Ministers and Heads of Delegation will hold consultations with the UNEP Executive Director on the key issues being discussed at the first universal session of the UNEP Governing Council, having in mind in particular paragraph 88 of the Rio+20 outcome document "The Future We Want" and the UNGA resolution 67/213 of 21 December 2012 calling for specific action, and any other issues raising from the session that they would like to address.

Documentation to be consulted:

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UNEP/GC.27/16/Add.1 Background papers for the ministerial consultations: Rio+20: From outcome to implementation: Environmental challenges within sustainable development and UNEP's contribution to sustainable development goals: Promoting sustainable consumption and production: Discussion paper presented by the Executive Director.

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- 4. UNGA resolutions 67/213 and 67/203

MINISTERIAL PLENARY II

CLOSING PLENARY

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Wednesday, 20 February 2013, 3:00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Conference Room 1

Chair:

President of the Governing Council

Guest of Honour at closing ceremony:

H.E. Rt. Hon. Raila Amollo Odinga, EGH,MP, Prime Minister, Republic of Kenya (tbc)

The Round Tables Co-Chairs will present the main issues of the discussions held in their respective roundtables, relevant conclusions and recommendations, followed by a general discussion by Ministers and Heads of delegation and adoption of the President's summary.