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**Programme of meetings and agenda**  
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## Official meetings

### General Assembly

Thirtieth special session

Special session on the World Drug Problem

10:00

5th plenary meeting [webcast]

*Trusteeship Council Chamber*

General debate [item 7] (*continued*)

His Excellency Ollanta Humala Tasso, President of the Republic of Peru

His Excellency Evo Morales Ayma, President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia

His Excellency Juan Manuel Santos Calderón, President of the Republic of Colombia

Her Excellency Ms. Michelle Bachelet, President of Republic of Chile

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#### Interactive multi-stakeholder round table 4

*“Cross-cutting issues: new challenges, threats and realities in preventing and addressing the world drug problem in compliance with relevant international law, including the three drug control conventions; strengthening the principle of common and shared responsibility and international cooperation”*

10:00	 [webcast]	Conference Room 4
15:00	6th plenary meeting  [webcast]	General Assembly Hall
	1. General debate [item 7] ( <i>continued</i> )	
	Nepal	
	Russian Federation	
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	
	Iceland	
	Côte d’Ivoire	
	Myanmar	
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	
	Brunei Darussalam	
	Armenia	
	Honduras	
	Qatar	
	Namibia	
	Burkina Faso	
	Ecuador	
	Holy See	
	Gulf Cooperation Council	
	Economic Cooperation Organization	
	INTERPOL	

Collective Security Treaty Organization Secretariat

World Customs Organization

Organization of American States

2. Credentials of representatives to the special session of the General Assembly: Report of the Credentials Committee A/S-30/5 (to be issued) [item 3 (b)]

### Interactive multi-stakeholder round table 5

*“Alternative development; regional, interregional and international cooperation on development-oriented balanced drug control policy; addressing socioeconomic issues”*

14:00

 [webcast]

Conference Room 4

[The thirtieth special session shall consist of a general debate and five interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings, should contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail [poliakova@un.org](mailto:poliakova@un.org), copy to [muturi@un.org](mailto:muturi@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082). To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in the plenary meetings should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions; participation in the round tables will be conducted without a list of speakers. However, Member States, Observer States and Observers are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail [poliakova@un.org](mailto:poliakova@un.org), copy to [muturi@un.org](mailto:muturi@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082) in which of the round tables they wish to intervene.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (Room S-3633; tel. 1 (917) 367-5133).

For more information, please [click here](#).

For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants per booth, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing <http://icms.un.org>, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the “Bilateral” tab. The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request.

For further information regarding bilateral requests, please contact [bilats-msu@un.org](mailto:bilats-msu@un.org).

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the thirtieth special session on the World Drug Problem can be consulted by [clicking here](#).]

## General Assembly

Seventieth session

### High-level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

*Opening ceremony*

09:00

 [webcast]

General Assembly Hall

*Plenary segment: Action at all levels: National implementation*

10:00 to 14:30

General Assembly Hall

*Interactive discussion 1: Financing poverty eradication and sustainable development*10:00  [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber*Plenary segment: Action at all levels: National implementation (continued)*

15:00 to 21:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

*Interactive discussion 2: Technology and data for SDGs*15:00  [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated [4 December 2015](#), [18 January 2016](#), 4 April 2016 and 20 April 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail [poliakova@un.org](mailto:poliakova@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail [muturi@un.org](mailto:muturi@un.org)). Statements in the plenary segment should not exceed *three minutes*.

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*Collection of invitations and collection of secondary passes for interactive discussions*

Formal invitations for the high-level lunch and the high-level reception, hosted by the President of the General Assembly, have been placed in the Member States pigeon holes, located in GA-3B-710.

Access passes (two per delegation) will be required to enter the ECOSOC Chamber. These passes must be collected in advance from the Office of the President of the General Assembly on the 3rd floor of the Conference Building (CB-0306).

Additional information on the High-level Thematic Debate is available on the President of the General Assembly website ([click here](#)).

**General Assembly****Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

**Disarmament Commission**

2016 substantive session

**Working Group II**

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
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**Plenary**

15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3
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## Economic and Social Council

### Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-sixth session

Organizational session

15:00 to 18:00 1st meeting (closed) Conference Room 5

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of officers [item 1]
3. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work [item 2]

Annotated provisional agenda ([E/AC.51/2016/1](#))

Status of documentation: Note by the Secretariat ([E/AC.51/2016/L.1/Rev.1](#))

Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit: Note by the Secretariat  
([E/AC.51/2016/L.2\\*](#))

[Members of the Committee wishing to attend the fifty-sixth session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegation, in a note verbale from their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail [cpc@un.org](mailto:cpc@un.org); Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers should communicate this request, in a note verbale from their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, as well as the composition of their delegation.]

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### Committee of Experts on Public Administration

Fifteenth session

10:00 to 11:30 7th meeting  [\[webcast\]](#) Conference Room 6

Developing transformative leadership and enhancing relevant competencies of public servants ([E/C.16/2016/7](#)) [item 3 (e)]

*General discussion*

11:30 to 13:00 Moving from commitments to results: transforming public institutions to facilitate inclusive policy formulation and integration in the implementation and monitoring of the sustainable development goals ([E/C.16/2016/2](#)) [item 3]

General discussions (*continued*)

15:00 to 17:00 8th meeting  [\[webcast\]](#) Conference Room 6

CEPA contribution to the High-Level Political Forum

*General discussion*

17:00 to 18:00 Towards a set of internationally-recognized principles of governance

*General discussion*

[For further information and to access the official documents of the session, please [click here](#).]

The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the [PaperSmart Portal](#) in all available official languages. Delegations and participants on the list of speakers are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to [papersmart6@un.org](mailto:papersmart6@un.org), as soon as available, and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which it will be available to the public on the portal. Please indicate in the subject your delegation name and agenda item.]

## Other meetings

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### **Event entitled “Communicating the Sustainable Development Goals – For everyone” (co-organized by the European Commission, European Union, the World’s Best News and Sustainable Development Goals Action Campaign)**

13:15 to 14:30

 [webcast]

Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Stina Soewarta, [European Commission](#) (e-mail [stina.soewarta@ec.europa.eu](mailto:stina.soewarta@ec.europa.eu)); or Mr. Thomas Ravn-Pedersen (e-mail [trp@dca.dk](mailto:trp@dca.dk)). To register, please [click here](#).

### **Group of 77 (on the Committee on Information)**

13:15 to 14:30

Closed meeting

Conference Room A


### **Special event on promoting South-South cooperation on climate change and launch of the Southern Climate Partnership Incubator (co-organized by Executive Office of the Secretary-General (EOSG) and the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC))**

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Xiaohua Zhang, [EOSG](#) (e-mail [zhang69@un.org](mailto:zhang69@un.org); tel. 1 (917) 367-6362; or Ms. Teresa Liu, [UNOSSC](#) (e-mail [teresa.liu@undp.org](mailto:teresa.liu@undp.org); tel. 1 (212) 906-5336).

## Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237)  [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link [www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp](http://www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp)

## Forthcoming official meetings

### General Assembly

Seventieth session

#### Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

Monday, 2 May 2016

10:00

Conference Room 3

The status of preparedness of documentation has been issued in document [A/C.5/70/L.33](#).

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the status of documentation, as well as the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available on the website of the Committee ([www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/](http://www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/)).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit any change or update to their official list of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers by sending a note verbale from their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and/or completing form [A/INF/70/2](#) and sending it to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail [fifthcommittee@un.org](mailto:fifthcommittee@un.org); Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

### Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2016

Monday, 25 April 2016

15:00

Conference Room 5

To elect the Bureau for 2016 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda contained in document [A/AC.172/2016/L.1](#), which includes an agenda item on the review of the proposed strategic framework for the period of 2018-2019 ([A/71/6 \(Prog.1\)](#)). For all relevant documents of the Committee, please [click here](#).

The session will be PaperSmart. Official documentation of the session will be available electronically via the [PaperSmart Portal](#) in all official languages.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of [A/54/32 \(Supp\)](#), and amended in paragraph 10 of [A/56/32 \(Supp\)](#), non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request *in writing* to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail [zhangl@un.org](mailto:zhangl@un.org)).

**Committee on Information**

Thirty-eighth session

Tuesday, 26 April, to Friday, 6 May 2016

Conference Room 4

Member States wishing to inscribe their names for the General Debate on Tuesday, 26 and Wednesday, 27 April 2016, should please send an e-mail to [committeeoninformation@un.org](mailto:committeeoninformation@un.org).

The afternoon of Tuesday, 26 April, will be devoted to an informal interactive session where the Under Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information will discuss matters relating to the Department with members of the Committee.

The thirty-eighth session of the Committee on Information is being served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages. Delegations and participants on the list of speakers are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to [papersmart3@un.org](mailto:papersmart3@un.org), *as soon as available*, and at least *one hour* in advance of their designated speaking slot and the email subject should include the entity name, meeting name and related agenda item. PDF format is preferred.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which it will be available to the public on the Portal.

**Committee on Contributions**

Seventy-sixth session

Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information. The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to [contributions@un.org](mailto:contributions@un.org).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

**Open-ended informal consultative meetings in preparation for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)**

Monday, 25, to Friday, 29 April 2016

Conference Room 3

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference circulated a letter to all Permanent



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Missions, dated 4 April 2016, containing the proposed programme for the informal consultative meetings. The programme and detailed supporting concept notes can be consulted on the Conference website (please [click here](#)).

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## Security Council

Monday, 25 April 2016

10:00

Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on “Piracy and armed robbery at sea in the Gulf of Guinea” in connection with the agenda item “Peace consolidation in West Africa”.

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council’s provisional rules of procedure (e-mail [dpa-scsb3@un.org](mailto:dpa-scsb3@un.org); or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

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## Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016

Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a Comprehensive Review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi, Permanent Representative of Spain, will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

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## Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal briefing

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 1

The Vice-President of the Council (Honduras) will hold an informal briefing with the representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council, on the second phase of the Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system. All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cassandra Price Taveras, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail [priced@un.org](mailto:priced@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-1523).

## Integration segment

Monday, 2, to Wednesday, 4 May 2016

Economic and Social Council Chamber

The integration segment (agenda item 8) will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council (Estonia). Pursuant to Council decision 2016/206, the theme for the segment is “Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development through policy innovation and integration”. The segment will include interactive panel discussions and dialogues. Additional information, including the draft programme and related side events is available on the website of the Council ([click here](#)) or contact Ms. Filipa Correia, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail [correiaf@un.org](mailto:correiaf@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-8969).

The *general discussion of the segment* will be held on Monday, 2 May 2016, from 16:30 to 18:00, and on Wednesday, 4 May, from 12:00 to 13:00. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail [duap@un.org](mailto:duap@un.org); Room S-1271)). *Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close by 17:00 of the preceding day.* The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the segment to the Secretary of the Council (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail [duap@un.org](mailto:duap@un.org); Room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are further advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council.

*PaperSmart arrangement* is available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal of the Council should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to [papersmart2@un.org](mailto:papersmart2@un.org). The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please [click here](#).

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Special meeting on the impacts of the 2015/16 El Niño phenomenon: Reducing risks and capturing opportunities

Friday, 6 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/110, the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea) will convene the special meeting as an opportunity to discuss the socio-economic and environmental impacts of the 2015/16 El Niño phenomenon.

All are invited to attend. The concept note and programme are available on the website of the Council ([click here](#)). For further information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail [selcuk@un.org](mailto:selcuk@un.org); tel. 1 (917) 367-5019).

**Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

Fifteenth session

Monday, 9, to Friday, 20 May 2016

Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document [E/C.19/2016/1](#), and the proposed organization of work is contained in document [E/C.19/2016/L.1](#). Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail [elliotts@un.org](mailto:elliotts@un.org); Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Only those observers who indicate their participation by *Wednesday, 27 April 2016*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. For background and other related documents of the fifteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: [www.un.org/indigenous](http://www.un.org/indigenous). The fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers *is open*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrstiak (e-mail [vrstiak@un.org](mailto:vrstiak@un.org); fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

**Committee for the United Nations Population Award**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00

2nd meeting (closed)

Conference Room 8

Voting to select laureates

Kindly confirm your participation to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail [ferguson@unfpa.org](mailto:ferguson@unfpa.org)). All member delegations are invited to attend.

**United Nations Forum on Forests**

Twelfth session

Monday, 25 April 2016

09:30 to 10:30

Conference Room 2

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council decision 2016/214, the United Nations Forum on Forests will hold the first meeting of its twelfth session, for the sole purpose of electing its officers in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

## United Nations Children's Fund

### Executive Board

Informal briefings

Monday, 25 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 5

In preparation for its 2016 annual session, on: (a) Annual report of the Executive Director of UNICEF and mid-term review of the strategic plan; (b) Mid-term review of the UNICEF integrated budget; and (c) Annual report on the implementation of the Gender Action Plan.

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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### Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

11:30 to 13:00

Conference Room 11

On UNDP country programme documents (Mauritius and South Sudan).

All member and observer delegations are invited.

## Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

### Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

#### Conference of States Parties

Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 162 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 108 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 ([click here](#) for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the Secretariat via e-mail to [zhangg@un.org](mailto:zhangg@un.org), with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail ([zhangg@un.org](mailto:zhangg@un.org) and [enable@un.org](mailto:enable@un.org)) or visit [UN Enable website \(www.un.org/disabilities\)](http://www.un.org/disabilities).

### Forthcoming other meetings

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#### **Event on “Towards Nature-Based Solutions: Mitigating and Adapting to Climate Change” (organized by the International Union for Conservation for Nature (IUCN), in collaboration with the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS))**

Friday, 22 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kelsey Howard, [IUCN](http://www.iucn.org) (e-mail [kelsey.howard@iucn](mailto:kelsey.howard@iucn); tel. 1 (212) 346-1163).

#### **Event entitled “A Financial Roadmap to Bankable Projects in the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and the Least Developed Countries (LDCs)” (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)**

Friday, 22 April 2016

15:15 to 16:30

Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Marlies van den Dungen, [Permanent Mission of the Netherlands](http://www.minbuza.nl) (e-mail [marlies-vanden.dungen@minbuza.nl](mailto:marlies-vanden.dungen@minbuza.nl); tel. 1 (212) 519-9520).

#### **Briefing by the Chair of the Open-ended Working Group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/33 (A/RES/70/33) on taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations**

Monday, 25 April 2016

10:00 to 11:30

Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nawin Chirapant, [Permanent Mission of Thailand](http://www.mission-thailand.org) (e-mail [nawinchi@gmail.com](mailto:nawinchi@gmail.com)).

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**Informal interactive panel discussion on “Understanding Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants” (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM)), in collaboration with the Global Migration Group (GMG))**

Monday, 25 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact the [Global Migration Group](#) (e-mail [gmgchair@unwomen.org](mailto:gmgchair@unwomen.org)).

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**Event entitled “Atrocity Crimes, Transitional Justice and Healing of Memories” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the World Council of Churches)**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

10:00 to 12:00

Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Margaret Agondua, [Permanent Mission of South Africa](#) (e-mail [agonduam@dirco.gov.za](mailto:agonduam@dirco.gov.za); tel. 1 (212) 692-2486).

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**Panel discussion on “Health and Environment: Global Partner for Global Solution – 30 Years of Chernobyl Legacy for the Nuclear Safety of the World” (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine, in collaboration with the World Information Transfer, Inc.)**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room 1

All invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Yaroslav Golitsyn, [Permanent Mission of Ukraine](#) (e-mail [uno\\_us@mfa.gov.ua](mailto:uno_us@mfa.gov.ua); tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).

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**United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) (on the country programme document for South Sudan)**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

10:00 to 11:30

Conference Room 11

All member and observer delegations are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Imelda Katjomuise, [UNFPA](#) (e-mail [katjomuise@unfpa.org](mailto:katjomuise@unfpa.org); tel. 1 (212) 297-4927).

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**Event on “Customary International Law, the United Nations Charter and the Security Council” (organized by Permanent Mission of Poland)**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Wladyslaw Manteuffel, [Permanent Mission of Poland](#) (e-mail [wladyslaw.manteuffel@msz.gov.pl](mailto:wladyslaw.manteuffel@msz.gov.pl); tel. 1 (646) 559-7561).

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**Event on “Health as the ‘Pulse’ of the New Urban Agenda” (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ghana, and Norway, the World Health Organization (WHO), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the Climate and Clean Air Coalition)**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Annemarta S. Mugaas, [Permanent Mission of Norway](mailto:annemarta.mugaas@mfa.no) (e-mail [annemarta.mugaas@mfa.no](mailto:annemarta.mugaas@mfa.no)).

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**Special event on “Digital Creativity: Reimagining Culture for Sustainable Development” (on the occasion of the [World Intellectual Property Day](#)) (organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia)**

Tuesday, 26 April 2016

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lucinda Longcroft, [WIPO New York Office](#) (e-mail [newyork.office@wipo.int](mailto:newyork.office@wipo.int); tel. 1 (212) 963-6813).

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**Meeting on “Protecting Cultural Heritage – an Imperative for Humanity: Acting together against the destruction and trafficking of cultural property by terrorist groups and organized crime” (at the expert level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Jordan, Interpol, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))**

Thursday, 28 April 2016

10:00 to 12:30

Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, [Permanent Mission of Italy](#) (e-mail [luigi.marini@esteri.it](mailto:luigi.marini@esteri.it); tel. 1 (646) 840-5336).

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**Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)**

Friday, 29 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room S-0310

For further information, please contact the [UNITAR New York Office](#) (e-mail [nyo@unitar.org](mailto:nyo@unitar.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

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**Event on “Advancing an Integrated Approach to Women and Preventing Violent Extremism” (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania and the Global Center on Cooperative Security)**

Friday, 29 April 2016

10:00 to 12:00

Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Laima Birstunaite, [Permanent Mission of Lithuania](#) (e-mail [laima.birstunaite@mfa.lt](mailto:laima.birstunaite@mfa.lt)); or Ms. Rafia Bhulai, (e-mail [rbhulai@globalcenter.org](mailto:rbhulai@globalcenter.org)).

**International Criminal Court: Working Group on the Amendments of the Assembly**

Tuesday, 3 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room 12

**Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters****Economic and Social Council****United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names**

Twenty-ninth session

Bangkok, Thailand (25-29 April 2016)

The twenty-ninth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will be held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document [GEGN/29/1](#).

For further information on the session, please [click here](#).

Members of the Group of Experts, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session and be included in the *list of participants* are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by means of a note verbale on official letterhead to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail [leu@un.org](mailto:leu@un.org); Room S-3073; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

**Commission on Science and Technology for Development**

Nineteenth session

United Nations Office at Geneva (9-13 May 2016)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2015/246 of 22 July 2015, the nineteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 9, to Friday, 13, May 2016 in Conference Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document [E/CN.16/2016/1](#).

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Mr. Angel Gonzalez-Sanz, Chief, Science, Technology and ICT Branch (e-mail [angel.gonzalez-sanz@unctad.org](mailto:angel.gonzalez-sanz@unctad.org); tel. 011-41-22-917-5508; fax 01141-22-917-0052), and Ms. Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, UNCTAD (e-mail [dong.wu@unctad.org](mailto:dong.wu@unctad.org); tel. 011-41-22-917-4171; fax 01141-22-917-0052).



In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by [clicking here](#).

Inquiries on the nineteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail [gustafik@un.org](mailto:gustafik@un.org)).

## Announcements

### High-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement

Friday, 22 April 2016

The Secretary-General of the United Nations will convene the high-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement.

On this occasion, Parties to the UNFCCC will be provided with an opportunity to deliver national statements in parallel sessions, which will start at 10:20. The seating for the States Parties has been divided into *two rooms* as follows:

A to L, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber;

M to Z, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

In light of time constraints, the length of these statements should not exceed *three minutes*. Delegations wishing to deliver statements should approach Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail [poliakova@un.org](mailto:poliakova@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5063, copy to Ms. Mary Muturi, e-mail [muturi@un.org](mailto:muturi@un.org)), at the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with customary protocol and taking into consideration the signing in the General Assembly Hall.

For *bilateral meetings*, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants per booth, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing <http://icms.un.org>, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the “Bilateral” tab. The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request. For further information regarding bilateral requests, please contact [bilats-msu@un.org](mailto:bilats-msu@un.org).

### Opening for signature of the Paris Agreement

Friday, 22 April 2016

States and regional economic integration organizations intending to sign the Paris Agreement at the high-level signature ceremony convened by the Secretary-General on 22 April 2016 are requested to send to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, as soon as possible and well in advance of the ceremony, a letter or note verbale confirming their participation in the signature ceremony and indicating the name and

title of the representative who will sign the Agreement on their behalf. When needed, this communication should be accompanied by the instrument of full powers authorizing the representative to sign the Agreement.

In this regard, it is recalled that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign the Agreement on behalf of their State without having to produce full powers. Any other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these three authorities.

*Contacts:* Ms. Dina Hamdy (e-mail [hamdyd@un.org](mailto:hamdyd@un.org)); or Ms. Hada Guevara (e-mail [guevarah@un.org](mailto:guevarah@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

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### World Humanitarian Summit

Istanbul, Turkey (23-24 May 2016)

The Secretary-General will convene the first World Humanitarian Summit from Monday, 23 to Tuesday, 24 May 2016, in Istanbul, Turkey. For more information on the Summit, please [click here](#). Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers for the plenary session entitled “Member States and other Stakeholders’ Announcement Plenary” are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail [poliakova@un.org](mailto:poliakova@un.org); tel. (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to [muturi@un.org](mailto:muturi@un.org)). Statements in the Announcement Plenary should not exceed *three minutes*.

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### Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (e-mail [fuchs@un.org](mailto:fuchs@un.org)).

Resolution 70/32, paras. 6 and 7, entitled “Relationship between disarmament and development”, adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/19-2016/D&D dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/44, para. 3, entitled “Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels”, adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/15-2016/CAC dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/46, para. 16, entitled “Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices”, adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/20-2016/IED dated 8 February 2016 refers); and

Resolution 69/57, paras. 2 and 8, entitled “Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium”, adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/16-2016/AADU dated 8 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please [click here](#)), by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, the information relevant to Resolution 70/21, paras. 1 and 8, entitled “Objective information on military matters, including

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transparency of military expenditures”, adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/17-2017/OIMM dated 8 February 2016 refers).

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### **International Law Seminar for African Universities — Call for applications**

(15-26 August 2016)

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

The deadline for submitting applications is *Friday, 29 April 2016*. Information concerning the seminar and the application process is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

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For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law ([click here](#)); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail [morrisv@un.org](mailto:morrisv@un.org)).

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### **Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies**

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 ([click here](#) for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 ([click here](#) for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 ([click here](#) for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such

credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail [zhangg@un.org](mailto:zhangg@un.org); Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail [trotta@un.org](mailto:trotta@un.org); Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

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### **Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *April 2016*:

*Introduction to United Nations documents*

*Security Council documentation*

*Finding speeches*

*Law Library overview*

*General Assembly documentation*

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar ([click here](#)).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail [library-ny@un.org](mailto:library-ny@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

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### **Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises**

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by [clicking here](#).

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

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### **Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations

to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by [clicking here](#).

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### Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the [Department for General Assembly and Conference Management \(DGACM\)](#) website, or can be consulted by [clicking here](#).

## Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 20 April 2016

### General Assembly

Thirtieth special session

Special session on the World Drug Problem

 [\[archived video\]](#)

3rd plenary meeting

*General debate* [item 7] (*continued*)

Statements were made by His Excellency K. Shanmugam, Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Law of Singapore; Her Excellency Sophie Lohde, Minister of Health of Denmark; Her Excellency Jane Philpott, Minister of Health of Canada; His Excellency Bernard Nottage, Minister of National Security of the Bahamas; His Excellency Dario Nakić, Minister of Health of Croatia; His Excellency Emmanuel Caparas, Secretary of the Department of Justice of the Philippines; Her Excellency Susana Mabel Malcorra, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Argentina; His Excellency Mikheil Janelidze, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia; His Excellency Rahmani Fazli, Minister of Interior of the Islamic Republic of Iran; His Excellency Michael Farrugia, Minister for the Family and Social Solidarity of Malta; Her Excellency Kamina Johnson Smith, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica; Her Excellency Marlene Mortler, Federal Government Drug Commissioner of Germany; His Excellency Martin van Rijn, Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport of the Netherlands; His Excellency Sagala Ratnayake, Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development of Sri Lanka; His Excellency Svatopluk Němeček, Minister of Health of the Czech Republic; Her Excellency María Esther Reus González, Minister of Justice of Cuba; His Excellency Lejeune Mbella Mbella, Minister for External Relations of Cameroon; Her Excellency Hanna Serwaa Tetteh, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration of Ghana; His Excellency Amayi Kossi Baumodom, Executive Secretary of the National Anti-Drug Commission of Togo; the Chairs of the Delegations of Indonesia and Trinidad and Tobago; Mr. Marat Demeuov, Deputy Minister of Internal

Affairs of Kazakhstan; Mr. Dimby Noelson Hama, Secretary-General of Interministerial Anti-Drug Commission of Madagascar; the Chair of the Delegation of Liechtenstein; and Mr. Fernando Araújo, Secretary of State Assistant and of Health of Portugal.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/32 of 19 November 2002, the observer of the Inter-Parliamentary Union made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, made a statement.

#### 4th plenary meeting

##### *General debate [item 7] (continued)*

Statements were made by His Excellency Urmas Reinsalu, Minister of Justice of Estonia; His Excellency General Paiboon Koomchaya, Minister of Justice of Thailand; His Excellency Juras Pozela, Minister of Health of Lithuania; His Excellency Sohn Mungi, Minister of Food and Drug Safety of the Republic of Korea; His Excellency Vladimir Makei, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus; Mr. Jesús Gracia Aldaz, Vice-Minister for International Cooperation and Iberoamerica of Spain; Colonel Gerry Chanda, Deputy Minister of Home Affairs of Zambia; Mr. Marek Tombarkiewicz, Vice-Minister of Health of Poland; Mr. Le Quy Vuong, Deputy Minister of Public Security of Viet Nam; Ms. Evika Siliņa, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Interior of Latvia; His Excellency Andrea Orlando, Minister of Justice of Italy; Mr. Ken Wyatt, Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care of Australia; Ms. Christina Papoutsopoulou-Diamantopoulou, National Drug Coordinator of Greece; Ms. Elona Hoxha, Vice-Minister of Interior of Albania; Mr. Imre Nyitrai, Deputy State Secretary for Social Affairs of Hungary; Mr. Michael Botticelli, Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy of the United States; Lieutenant General Sulaiman Fahad Al-Fahad, Under-Secretary, Ministry of Interior of Kuwait; and the Chairs of the Delegations of Luxembourg, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Guyana and Israel.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/5 of 13 October 1993, the observer of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe made a statement.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Armenia and Azerbaijan.

## Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up

 [\[archived video\]](#)

#### 5th meeting

*Financing for sustainable development: follow-up to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development: round tables and panel discussions [item 2 (c)]*

The forum continued its consideration of the sub-item.

##### *Round table D “Debt and systemic issues”*

The round table, held in two parts, was chaired by His Excellency Hector Alejandro Palma Cerna (Honduras), Vice-President of the Council, who made an opening statement.

The Moderator of the round table, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Professor and Director of the Economic and Political Development Concentration, School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University, also made a statement.

#### *Debt*

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Alister Smith, World Bank Group Executive Director for Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Canada, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; and Ms. Stephanie Blankenburg, Head of Debt and Development Strategies of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

A statement was made by the lead discussant, Mr. Lee Buchheit, Partner at the Law Firm of Cleary, Gottlieb Steen and Hamilton LLP.

#### *Systemic issues*

A presentation was made by Mr. Min Zhu, Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund; and the Moderator.

A statement was made by the lead discussant, Ms. Jo Marie Griesgraber, Executive Director of New Rules for Global Finance Coalition.

#### *Interactive dialogue*

In the ensuing interactive discussion, moderated by the Chair, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and France.

A statement was made by Mr. Khalid Alkhudairy World Bank Group Executive Director for Saudi Arabia.

Statements were also made by the following business sector entities: Morgan Lewis; and INFRADEV (Global Clearinghouse for Development Finance).

Statements were made by the following civil society organizations: Niger Delta Women's Movement for Peace and Development; European Network on Debt and Development (EURODAD); and Center of Concern.

The Moderator, the panellists and the lead discussants responded to the comments made and questions raised.

The Chair made a closing statement.

#### *Round table E "Trade, science, technology, innovation and capacity-building"*

The round table, held in two parts, was chaired by His Excellency Paul Herbert Oquist Kelley, Minister and Private Secretary for National Policies of Nicaragua, who made an opening statement.

The Moderator of the round table, His Excellency Alfredo Suescum of Panama, President of the Trade and Development Board of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, also made a statement.

#### *Trade*

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Puvan Selvanathan, Head of the International Trade Center; and Mr. Hans-Peter Werner, Counsellor and Head of the Committee on Trade and Development Unit, Development Division of the World Trade Organization.

A statement was made by the lead discussant, Ms. Deborah James, Director of the International Programmes, Center for Economic and Policy Research.

*Science, technology, innovation and capacity-building*

A presentation was made by the panellist, Mr. Andrew Hirsch, Director-General of the International Intellectual Property Institute.

A statement was made by the lead discussant, Mr. Ambuj Sagar, Professor of Policy Studies at the Indian Institute of Technology, and member of the group of experts to support the Technology Facilitation Mechanism.

*Interactive dialogue*

In the ensuing interactive discussion, moderated by the Chair, the panellists responded to the comments made and questions posed by the representatives of Indonesia and the Netherlands.

Statements were made by the following business sector entities: KPMG International; Infrastructure experts group (Global Clearinghouse for Development Finance); and Global Network of Cities, Local and Regional Governments (UCLG).

Statements were made by the following civil society organizations: ETC Group; African Development Interchange Network; and Third World Network.

The Chair made a statement.

The panellists and the lead discussants responded to the comments made and questions raised.

*Organization of work*

A statement was made by the Chair.

6th meeting

The summary of the 6th meeting of the Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/79).

## Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

*The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.*

### [Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

*Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol. Doha, 8 December 2012*

*Acceptance: Zimbabwe (20 April 2016)*



## General information

### Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States*

Uganda  
His Excellency Richard Nduhura

*Asia-Pacific States*

Iran (Islamic Republic of)  
His Excellency Gholamali Khoshroo

*Eastern European States*

Belarus  
His Excellency Andrei Dapkiunas

*Latin American and Caribbean States*

Argentina  
His Excellency Martín García Moritán

*Western European and other States*

Malta  
His Excellency Christopher Grima

## General Assembly

### Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please [click here](#).

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail [poliakova@un.org](mailto:poliakova@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please [click here](#) for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to [papersmart@un.org](mailto:papersmart@un.org). The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document [A/70/251](#).

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to [gaab@un.org](mailto:gaab@un.org) or to [dpu-dgacm@un.org](mailto:dpu-dgacm@un.org), to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

*For future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

*Candiweb* – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please [click here](#).

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#### Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document [A/71/50](#).

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#### Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail [emeetsm@un.org](mailto:emeetsm@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail [mccormackm@un.org](mailto:mccormackm@un.org), or [levyd@un.org](mailto:levyd@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

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