

**Preliminary programme
30 June – 2 July 2003
ECOSOC High-Level Segment**

UN headquarters, E Building, Geneva

30 June 2003:

9.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Opening of the session

Opening statement by H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, President of ECOSOC

Address by the Secretary-General of the United Nations

High-level Policy Dialogue on current developments in the world economy and international economic cooperation with Mr. Horst Köhler, Managing Director of the IMF; Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of UNCTAD; Dr. Mamphela Ramphele, Managing Director of the World Bank; and Mr. Francisco Thompson Flores, Deputy Director General of the WTO (trade).

(Conference Room 19)

2:45 –4:00 p.m.

Plenary

Statement by H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, President of ECOSOC on the theme of the High-Level Segment “Promoting an integrated approach to rural development in developing countries for poverty eradication and sustainable development.”

Statements by Mr. Jacques Diouf, Director-General of FAO; Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs; Ms. Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator of the Millennium Development Goals Campaign; Mr. James T. Morris, Executive Director of WFP; Mr. Lennart Båge, President of IFAD; Dr. Mamphela Ramphele, Managing Director of the World Bank; and Ms. Anna Tibaijuka, Executive Director of UN-Habitat.

Statements by Mr. Carlos Magariños, Director-General of UNIDO; Mr. Antonio Maria Costa, Executive Director of UNODC; Ms. Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director of UNFPA; Mr. Ibrahim Gambari, Under-Secretary-General and Special Advisor to the United Nations Secretary-General on Africa; and Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS).
(Conference Room 19)

27/06/2003

4:00 – 6:15 p.m.

Four Ministerial roundtable discussions co-chaired by Ministers and Heads of UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes

- a) Natural resources and rural development in developing countries
Co-chair: H.E. Mr. F. S. Mufamadi, Minister of Provincial and Local Government of South Africa;
Co-chair: Mr. Jacques Diouf, Director-General of FAO;
Ms. Christina Amoako Nuama, Former Minister for Lands and Forestry; Education; Environment, Science and Technology; and Environment of Ghana;
Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs;
Dr. William Jackson, Assistant Director-General and Director of the Global Programme, the World Conservation Union (IUCN);
Mr. George McGovern, former Senator and United States Ambassador to the UN food agencies in Rome.
(Conference Room 26)
- b) Integrated approach to implementation of MDGs in the area of rural development
Co-chair: H.E. Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation of Sweden;
Co-chair: Ms. Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator of the Millennium Development Goals Campaign;
Mr. James T. Morris, Executive Director of WFP;
Dr. Peter Piot, Executive Director of UNAIDS;
Mr. Carlos Magariños, Director-General of UNIDO.
(Conference Room 24)
- c) Global partnerships for rural development
Co-chair: Mr. Lennart Båge, President of IFAD;
Co-chair: Dr. Mamphele Ramphele, Managing Director of the World Bank.
H.E. Ms. Eugenia de Avila, Minister of Foreign Affairs of El Salvador;
Mr. Keith Jones, Issue and Policy Manager, Stewardship and Sustainable Agriculture, CropLife International;
Mr. Stewart Wallis, Livelihoods Director, Oxfam;
Mr. Jim Harvey, Senior Advisor for Rural Livelihoods, DIFD.
(Conference Room 21)
- d) Rural/urban interface and slums
Co-chair: H.E. Dr. Ivan Šimonoviæ, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia;
Co-chair: Ms. Anna Tibaijuka, Executive Director of UN- HABITAT;
H.E. Mr. Ralia Odinga, Minister of Roads, Public Works and Housing of the Republic of Kenya;
Dr. Adam Kowalewski, Vice-President of the UN-HABITAT Governing Council;
Prof. Holger Magel, President of the International Federation of Surveyors;
Mr. Alejandro Mackinnon, Tiers-Monde

Mrs. Bresso, Chairperson, WACLAC
(Conference Room 25)

6:15 – 6:45 p.m.

Plenary

Reports back from the Ministerial roundtables with the participation of H.E. Mr. F. S. Mufamadi, Minister of Provincial and Local Government of South Africa; H.E. Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation of Sweden; H.E. Mrs. Maria Eugenia de Avila, Minister of Foreign Affairs of El Salvador; and H.E. Dr. Ivan Šimonoviæ, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia.

Concluding remarks on the Ministerial Roundtables by H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, President of ECOSOC.
(Conference Room 19)

1 July 2003:

8:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Ministerial Roundtable Breakfasts¹

Six Ministerial Roundtable Breakfasts with the participation of Ministers, Heads of Delegations, Agency Heads and members of civil society (by invitation):

1. Land use practices and their impact on rural development – Co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Jacobus Richelle, Director General of Development of the European Commission; and Mr. Bruce Moore, Coordinator of the International Land Coalition.
2. A Green Revolution for Africa: what does it mean? – Co-chaired by Mr. Ibrahim Gambari, Under-Secretary-General and Special Advisor to the United Nations Secretary-General.
3. Addressing the needs of LDCs: is rural development the answer? - Co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Butime, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Uganda; H.E. Ms. Paula Lehtomäki, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development of Finland; and Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS).
4. Forest areas and rural development – Co-chaired by Mr. Pekka Patosaari, Coordinator of the United Nations Forum on Forests.
5. Agro industries in rural areas – Co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Miguel von Hoegen, Minister and Secretary of the Secretariat for Planning and Programme of the Presidency of Guatemala; and Mr. Carlos Magariños, Director-General of UNIDO.
6. Population issues, MDGs and rural development – Co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation of Sweden; and Ms. Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director of UNFPA.

¹ The Ministerial roundtable breakfasts will be held at the Delegates Restaurant on the 8th floor.

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Statements

3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Statements

2 July 2003:

8:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Ministerial Roundtable Breakfasts

Six Ministerial Roundtable Breakfasts with the participation of Ministers, Heads of Delegations, Agency Heads and members of civil society (by invitation):

1. Market access for rural development – Co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Taib Fassi Fihri, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation of Morocco; and Mr. Lennart Båge, President of IFAD.
2. Role of culture and customs in rural development –Co-chaired by H.E. Dr. Ivan Šimonoviæ, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia; and Prof. Noureini Tidjani-Serpos, Assistant Director-General for Africa of UNESCO.
3. Inequities and inequalities in rural health care – Co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Immanuel Ngatjizeko, Director General, National Planning Commission of Namibia; and Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Director-General of WHO.
4. Poverty and environment – Co-chaired by Dr. Klaus Töpfer, Executive Director of UNEP.
5. HIV/AIDS impact on rural development – Co-chaired by H.E. Ms. Aicha Agne Pouye, Minister for Small and Medium Enterprises and Trade of Senegal; and Dr. Peter Piot, Executive Director of UNAIDS.
6. Poverty, crime and development. Can alternative development bridge the gap? – Co-chaired by Mr. Antonio Maria Costa, Executive Director of UNODC.

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