



**Economic and Social Council  
2008 High-level Segment  
New York, 30 June - 3 July 2008**

**Programme**

**Monday, 30 June morning session**

9:00 – 9:30 am **Opening of the High-level Segment** (Trusteeship Council Chamber)

**Opening addresses**

Léo Mérorès, President of the Economic and Social Council

Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations (statement delivered by Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General)

9:30 – 11:00 am **Keynote addresses on the theme “achieving sustainable development” followed by Q&A** (Trusteeship Council Chamber)

Rajendra K Pachauri, Chairman, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

Lord Stern of Brentford, author of the Stern Review

11:00 am – 1:00 pm **High-level Policy Dialogue with the international financial and trade institutions on current developments in the world economy** (Trusteeship Council Chamber)

Moderator: Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General, UNDESA

Panelists: Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD

Murilo Portugal, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund

Justin Lin, Chief Economist, World Bank

Valentine Rugwabiza, Deputy Director General, World Trade Organization

1:15 – 2:45 pm **Luncheon for Heads of delegations hosted by the President of ECOSOC<sup>1</sup>** (DDR)

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<sup>1</sup> Upon invitation

## **Afternoon session**

- 3:00 – 3:20 pm      **Opening of the Development Cooperation Forum (CR 4)**  
Leo Mérorès, President of the Economic and Social Council  
Thomas Stelzer, Assistant Secretary-General, UNDESA
- 3:20 – 3:30 pm      **Introduction of the report of the Secretary-General**  
Thomas Stelzer, Assistant Secretary-General, UNDESA
- 3:30 – 4:15 pm      **Keynote Q&A**  
*“A new vision for development cooperation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century”*  
Louis Michel, European Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian Aid
- 4:20 – 6:00 pm      **Development Cooperation Forum roundtables (parallel)**
- A. **Identifying gaps and obstacles**  
*“Allocating more aid: where should it go?” (CR 3)*
- B. **Reviewing trends and progress**  
*“South-South and triangular development cooperation: what can development actors learn?” (CR 4)*
- C. **Reviewing trends and progress**  
*“How are civil society and new actors enhancing impact at the country-level?” (CR 6)*

## **Tuesday, 1 July morning session**

- 8:30 – 9:50 am      **Ministerial roundtable breakfasts<sup>2</sup>**
- 8:30 – 9:30 am      **Development Cooperation Forum informal meeting of civil society participants<sup>3</sup> (CR7)**
- Development Cooperation Forum (continued, CR 4)**
- 10:00 – 10:45 am      **Keynotes Q&A (CR 4)**
- A. *“A new vision for development cooperation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century”*  
Trevor Manuel, Minister of Finance, South Africa and Special Envoy for the Doha Review Conference
- B. *“The changing landscape and dynamics of international development cooperation”*  
Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD
- 11:00 – 1:00 pm      **Development Cooperation Forum roundtables (parallel)**

<sup>2</sup> Additional information to be provided separately

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**A. Identifying gaps and obstacles**

*“Are capacities ready for more aid at the country-level?”* (CR 1)

**B. Exchanging lessons learned**

*“How can development aid support national development strategies?”* (CR 4)

1:15 – 2:45 pm      **Lunch meeting**<sup>4</sup>.

**Tuesday, 1 July afternoon session**

3:00 – 6:00 pm      **General debate for the High-level Segment** (parallel with the Development Cooperation Forum roundtable) (ECOSOC Chamber)

**Opening address**

Léo Mérorès, President of the Economic and Social Council

**Introduction of the reports of the Secretary-General on the Annual Ministerial Review and the thematic discussion**

Thomas Stelzer, Assistant Secretary-General, UNDESA

**Development Cooperation Forum** (continued, CR 4)

3:00 – 3:30 pm      **Special presentation**

*“Key policy messages and recommendations of the Rome Stakeholder Forum”*<sup>5</sup> (CR 4)

3:30 – 5:45 pm      **Development Cooperation Forum roundtable**

**A. Identifying gaps and obstacles**

*“Aid effectiveness agenda: towards consensus at Accra and Doha”* (CR 4)

5:45 – 6:00 pm      **Closing of the Development Cooperation Forum** (CR 4)

Concluding remarks by Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General, UNDESA

Summary statement by Léo Mérorès, President of the Economic and Social Council

**Wednesday, 2 July morning session**

8:00 – 9:20 am      **Ministerial roundtable breakfasts**<sup>6</sup> (DDR)

9:30 am – 1:30 pm      **Annual Ministerial Review: National Presentations** (ECOSOC Chamber)

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<sup>4</sup> Upon invitation. Additional information to be provided separately

<sup>5</sup> Rome Stakeholder Forum: *“The role of national and local stakeholders in contributing to aid quality and effectiveness”*, 12-13 June 2008

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**Belgium**

H.E. Charles Michel, Minister for Development Cooperation,  
Belgium

**Chile**

H.E. Paula Quintana, Minister of National Planning and Cooperation,  
Chile

**United Kingdom**

Mr. Andrew Steer, Director General, Policy and Research,  
Department for International Development, United Kingdom

**United Republic of Tanzania**

H.E. Mustafa Mkulo, Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs,  
United Republic of Tanzania

**Wednesday, 2 July afternoon session**

3:00 – 6:00 pm

**General debate for the High-Level Segment** (concluded) (ECOSOC Chamber)

**Annual Ministerial Review roundtable** (parallel with the General debate for the High-Level Segment)

A. *“The role of ecosystem services in sustainable development”* (CR 4)

**Thursday, 3 July morning session**

9:30 am – 1:30 pm

**Annual Ministerial Review: National Presentations** (ECOSOC Chamber)

**Lao People’s Democratic Republic**

H.E. Bounkeut Sangsomsak, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lao PDR

**Luxembourg**

H.E. Jean-Louis Schiltz, Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs, Luxembourg

**Kazakhstan**

H.E. Nurlan Danenov, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs,  
Kazakhstan

**Finland**

H.E. Paavo Väyrynen, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development,  
Finland

**Thursday, 3 July afternoon session**

**Thematic discussion: “Promoting an integrated approach to rural development in developing countries for poverty eradication and sustainable development, taking into account current challenges”**

3:00 – 5:30 pm

**Panel discussions**

- A. *“Bioenergy, sustainable livelihoods and rural poor”* (CR6)
- B. *“Harnessing the current boom in agricultural commodities for poverty eradication and sustainable development: the case of small scale farmers”* (ECOSOC Chamber).

5:35 – 6:00 pm

**Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration** (ECOSOC Chamber)

6:00 pm

**Closing of the High-level Segment**