



Economic and Social Council
Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of UN development system
in the context of the 2030 Agenda
Phase 2

Briefing Session - New Context

New York, 17 December 2015, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Conference Room 12, UN Secretariat Building

Programme

Morning

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Opening

H.E. Mr. Alejandro Palma Cerna, Vice-President, ECOSOC
Ms. Helen Clark, Chair, UNDG and Administrator, UNDP
Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under Secretary-General, UNDESA

10:30 a.m. -11:15 a.m.

2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development:
How will it impact the UN development cooperation vision?

Panellists:

H.E. Mr. Simon Gaviria Munoz, Minister for National Planning, Colombia (via videolink)
Mr. David Nabarro, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (Designate)
Mr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, Corporate Secretary and President's Special Envoy, World Bank Group
Ms. Sarah Cliffe, Director, NYU Center on International Cooperation

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development constitutes the new mission of the UN development system. This panel discussion will examine how the new agenda as well as other drivers of change in the broader environment will impact the development cooperation vision of the UN in the post-2015 era. The panellists will particularly discuss how the new agenda as well as the need to better link the development, humanitarian and peace agenda will impact the functions, funding practices, governance structures, organizational arrangements, capacity and impact and partnership approaches, in the UN development system. This will include discussing the implications of the new agenda in terms of the need for the UN development system to strengthen cooperation and partnerships with a broad range of actors such as the World Bank.

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

General discussion

12:15 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.

Special briefings:

Key messages of recent reviews by high-level expert panels

- (a) Peace Operations - Mr. Youssef Mahmoud, Panel Member
- (b) Peacebuilding Architecture - Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Chair

The briefings will focus on findings and recommendations of the two independent expert panels of relevance for the UN system as a whole and the ECOSOC Dialogue process, including those relating to cooperation and coordination among the humanitarian, peace and security and development pillars of the Organization. The briefings and the presentation will particularly discuss how the long-term development perspective can be more effectively included in peacebuilding, peace operations and humanitarian activities, including challenges in this regard.

12:50 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Closing remarks

H.E. Mr. Alejandro Palma Cerna, Vice-President, ECOSOC