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Module 3: UN system in a changing development cooperation landscape

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Conference Room C
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PROGRAMME

TIME

SESSION

10:00 a.m.

Welcome remarks

Yvonne Lodico, Head, UNITAR New York Office

Navid Hanif, Acting Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, UNDESA

10:30 a.m.

Emerging Issues in UN development operations

Presenter:

Bruce Jenks, Senior Fellow, Harvard University, former UN Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Partnerships Bureau of UNDP

Discussant(s):

H.E. Le Hoai Trung, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Vietnam to the United Nations

Bjorn Gillsater, Chief, Multilateral System Analysis Office, UNICEF

Moderator:

Navid Hanif, Acting Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination,

UNDESA

11:15 -12:30 p.m. Interactive dialogue

12:30 p.m. Closing remarks and evaluation

Yvonne Lodico, UNITAR

Possible discussion questions

Below are selected questions to facilitate interactive dialogue during the session:

1. *Which emerging issues and global challenges are likely to significantly impact the future role of the UN development system in international cooperation for development?*
2. *What are the key drivers of change in (a) international development cooperation and (b) the UN development system?*
3. *What kind of change in (a) strategic positioning, (b) operational effectiveness, (c) delivery of results and (d) accountability is needed if the UN development system is to respond effectively to the emerging issues/global challenges?*
4. *What are the most important likely shifts in the sectoral and geographic focus, and modalities for delivery of development cooperation and what do they tell us about the changing role of the UN development system?*
5. *What kind of challenges and opportunities does the expanding role of civil society and private sector organizations in development cooperation pose for the UN development system?*
6. *How is the growth in South-South and triangular cooperation likely to impact the future role of the UN development system?*



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