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Division for Sustainable Development (DSD) / Department of Economics and Social Affairs (DESA)

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CSD Secretariat
May 2009

MONDAY, 4 MAY 2009

Official Session MONDAY, 4 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Opening
10.00 - 1.00	Conf. Rm 4	Welcoming remarks by the Chairperson of the CSD-17 - Adoption of the agenda and organization of work - Opening remarks by the Deputy-Secretary General - Reports on inter-sessional meetings - Introduction of the Chairperson's draft negotiating document* - Group Statements - Regional Perspectives* (total 90 minutes)
3.00 - 6.00	Conf. Rm 4	Statement by representative of Major Groups General Comments on the Chairperson's draft negotiating document**

* Interactive dialogue on implementation with Regional Commissions

** UN Funds and Programmes and Specialized Agencies could also be invited to speak, after Member States

Learning Center MONDAY, 4 MAY 2009			
Time	Venue	Session	Trainers
3.00 - 6.00	Conf. Rm C	Climate Ethics: Implications for the CSD 17 Thematic Cluster Sponsor: Baha'i Int'l Community and Penn State University	Mr. Peter Adriance NGO Liaison, National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is, US Mr. Donald A. Brown Associate Professor, Environmental Ethics, Science and Law, Penn State University Ms. Marilyn Averill Center for Science and Technology Policy research, University of Colorado at Boulder.

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13.30 - 14.30	Conf. Rm B	U.S. Listening Session for U.S. Major Groups at the Bahá'í International Community – Suite 120, 866 UN Plaza (1st Ave. and 48th St.)
14.00 - 15.00	Conf. Rm B	Farmers
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3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 6	Working Session: Urban-Rural Linkages for Food Security and Vibrant Markets – the Potential of Public Procurement sponsored by Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development (SARD) Initiative
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Side Events MONDAY, 4 MAY 2009		
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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Women, Agriculture and Land Organizers: International Women’s Anthropology Conference (IWAC), Women Organizing for Change in Agriculture and NRM
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	Modes de Production et de Consommation Durables (MPCD) : Enjeux pour l’Afrique Organizers: Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Reconciliation as a Key to Sustainability Organizers: The International Public Policy Institute & The United Religious Initiative at the UN
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm C	Defining and Practicing Sustainable Consumption and Production: Food and Agriculture Organizers: Citizens Network for Sustainable Development
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	Economic, Social and Ecological Sustainability for the Afro-Indigenous People Organizers: Ethiopian World Federation
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 6	Women in Science Technology and Sustainable Development Organizers: Sudan Council of Voluntary Agencies

TUESDAY, 5 MAY 2009

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	Conf. Rm 2	Working Group 2 - Land, - Drought, - Desertification, - Africa

* Inter-linkages, Cross-cutting Issues and Means of Implementation

Learning Center TUESDAY, 5 MAY 2009			
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3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm C	Production et consommation durables : de la théorie à la pratique Sponsor: Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie - OIF	Mme Chantal Line Carpentier Agent de développement, UNDESA Mme Geneviève Verbrugge Chargée de mission auprès du PNUE, France Mme. Djaheezah Subratty M. Christian Brodhag Président du Groupe de travail de Marrakech Enjeux touristiques

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10.00 – 1.00	Conf. Rm 6	Working Session: Fostering a Culture of Partnership for Rangelands, sponsored by the Government of Namibia
10.00 – 1.00	Neck Area	Information desks: 1. Mediaterra 2. Adaptation Learning Mechanism Initiative (ALM) 3. Network of European Active citizens (NEAC)

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3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 6	Working Session: The future of partnerships, co- sponsored by the Government of Italy and DSD – DESA
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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Climate Change: Its Impact on Agriculture, Land, Drought and Africa and Leading to Copenhagen Conference Organizers: Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	Protecting Health From Climate Change Organizers: NGO Health Committee
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Delving into a Deep Green Revolution: Responding to the Food Crisis and Climate Stresses with Pro-Active Risk Management Organizers: Heifer International
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm C	Global Rangeland Assessment Partnership Organizers: USDA Forest Service
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	Urban Rural Linkages for Food Security and Vibrant Markets – Regions Feeding Cities Organizers: International Partners for Sustainable Agriculture
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 4	African Partnerships on Sustainable Development Organizers: Association Nigerienne des Scouts de L'Environnement

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1.15-2.45	Delegates Dining Room 4th Floor	Farming First: Enhancing Sustainable Development Through Agriculture Sponsored by: CropLife International, International Fertilizer Association (IFA), International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP), International Council for science (ICSU)

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Partnerships Fair WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2009		
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10.00 – 1.00	Conf. Rm 6	Working Session: Enhancing the Effectiveness of Partnerships: Lessons from Experience, sponsored by The National Academies, USA
10.00 – 1.00	Neck Area	Information desks: 1. Mountain Partnership 2. Vinyl 2010 3. Scientific Capacity Building and Enhancement for Sustainable Development in Developing Countries (CAPaBLE)
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 6	Working Session: Promoting mountain economies: high value, high quality products for better lives, sponsored by the Mountain Partnership
3.00 – 6.00	Neck Area	Information desks: 1. Mountain Partnership 2. Vinyl 2010 3. Scientific Capacity Building and Enhancement for Sustainable Development in Developing Countries (CAPaBLE)

Learning Center WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2009			
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10.00 - 1.00	Conf. Rm C	<p>Ecosystem Services, markets and Sustainable Development</p> <p>Sponsor: US Department of Agriculture</p>	<p>Mr. Al Todd Assistant Director, Ecosystem Services & Markets, U.S. Forest Service</p> <p>Ms. Brook Harker Manager, Watershed Evaluation of BMPs (WEBs) project- Canada</p> <p>Dr. Sylvana Li Foreign Agricultural Service, Office of Capacity Building and Development. In consultation with China Ministries of Environmental Protection, of Agriculture, of Water Resources, and Science and Technology and American Soybean Association</p> <p>Ms. Lisa Duriancik Coordinator, Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP, USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service)</p> <p>Dr. Jean Steiner USDA, Agricultural Research Service.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Felix Spinelli USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service</p>
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm C	<p>Pollinators and food security</p> <p>Sponsor: US Department of Agriculture</p>	<p>Prof. Vernon G. Thomas Professor of wildlife ecology and management at the University of Guelph, Canada</p> <p>Ms. Linda Collette Dept. Agriculture and Consumers Protection FAO</p> <p>Ms. Laurie Davies Adams Executive Director, Pollinator Partnership</p>

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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Overturing the False Solutions to the Food Crisis Organizers: Friends of the Earth International
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	Bio-fuels and Food Security: Avoiding Pitfalls and Mobilizing Potentials Organizers: International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Government of Austria and OPEC Fund for International Development
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Sustainable Consumption and Production towards the CSD-18: What are they Key Programmes for Action Organizers: Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic in cooperation with, Belgium, Hungary and other partners
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security Organizers: International Council for Science with CGIAR, ESSP, & IFAP
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 4	Guidelines for sustainable land use Organizers: German Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection

Related Events WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2009		
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1.00 – 3.00	West Terrace Delegates Dining	Words into Action: Capacity Building Requirements for Rural Development and Sustainable Communities Organizer: World Federation of Engineering Organizations (Scientific and Technological Major Group)
1.15 – 2.45	Bahai International Community Offices 866 UN Plaza, Suite 120	Assassination Over Land Rights Organizer: Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur
1.15 – 2.45	Uganda House 1st Ave & East 45th St	UN CSD 17 Education Caucus event: Climate Change: Voices from the Frontlines Co-organized by the CSD Education Caucus with Soka Gakkai International (SGI), Co-sponsored by the Indigenous Information Network, the CSD Indigenous Peoples' Caucus and the CSD Youth Caucus
3.00 – 5.00	Conf. Rm B	Working with the Media: The Full Story Workshop organized by Stakeholder Forum and supported by the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality and the BBC World Service Trust.

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10.00 – 1.00	Conf. Rm 6	Training Session: Proposal Development Training Workshop under the Scientific Capacity Building and Enhancement for Sustainable Development in Developing Countries (CAPaBLE) partnership, sponsored by the Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN)
10.00 – 1.00	Neck Area	Information desks: 1. Methane to Markets (Agriculture Group) 2. MyCOE: My Community, Our Earth 3. Farmer's Relief Project
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10.00 - 1.00	Conf. Rm C	Economic – Environmental accounting at the national level Sponsor: Statistics Division, UNDESA	Ms. Alessandra Alfieri Statistics Division, UNDESA
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm C	Africa's Ecological Footprint – Learning for National Development Strategies in a Resource Constrained World Sponsor: GTZ,GFN	Mr. Mathis Wackernagel , Ph.D., Exec Director Global Footprint Network (GFN), Germany Ms. Jennifer Mitchell , The Director of Strategic Initiatives, GFN, USA Mr. Steven Goldfinger , Ph.D. is Senior Scientist at GFN, USA Ms. Susanne Willner GTZ, Germany

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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	A Policy Forum on Achieving Eco-effectiveness through Knowledge Sharing Systems Organizers: CSD Education Caucus with Global Youth Action Network & Government of Finland
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Changing World and Water Management Adaptation Strategies Organizers: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	Bio-energy and Food Security Organizers: FAO
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 4	Enabling Equitable and Sustainable Development: Policy Options from the UN-sponsored IAASTD Organizers: Governments of Switzerland and France, FAO, UNEP, UNESCO, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, with Major Groups.
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 6	SCP Towards a Green Economy, How to Get There? Organizers: Ministère de l'écologie, de l'énergie, du développement durable et de l'aménagement du territoire, France with UNEP&UNDESA

Related Events THURSDAY, 7 MAY 2009		
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1.15 – 2.30	Conf. Rm 7	Panel on IPRs, Agriculture and Sustainable Development Organizers: World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

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Partnerships Fair FRIDAY, 8 MAY 2009		
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10.00 – 1.00	Neck Area	Information desks: 1. Recovery of the Circuit of Four Lakes 2. Geo/GEOSS (integrated Global Observing Strategy) 3. Farming First
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 6	Training Session: Creating an enabling environment for locally-driven entrepreneurial partnerships for sustainable development, sponsored by The SEED Initiative
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10.00 - 1.00	Conf. Rm C	The Role of Bio-fuels in Sustainable Rural Development Sponsor: IUCN	Professor Richard Ottinger Chair of the Energy Law and Climate Change Specialty Group of IUCN's Commission on Environmental Law, USA Mr. Stephen Gitonga Environment and Energy Group, Bureau of Development Policy, UNDP Ms. Sabina Anokye Mensah the GRATIS Foundation, Ghana Ms. Gail Karlsson Senior Policy Advisor, ENERGIA
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm C	Dry-lands Ecosystem management and services Sponsor: IUCN	Dr. Joost Brouwer , Member, IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management Mr. Jonathan Davies , Regional Drylands Coordinator for Eastern and Southern Africa, IUCN Regional Office, Kenya

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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Agriculture for Africa's Shift To a Green Economy Organizers: United Nations Environment Programme
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	GlobalSoilMap.net: A Digital Soil Map of the World Organizers: Earth Institute at Columbia University

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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 5	<p>Politics and Food Security</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Christine K. Durbak, Chair and CEO, WIT</p> <p>Speakers: H. E. Mr. Yuriy Sergeev – Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the UN Prof. Hanna Kapustian – Kremenchuk State Polytechnic University, Ukraine, Dr. Mark Mark Robson – Dean, Agricultural & Urban Programs, Rutgers University</p> <p>Organizers: World Information Transfer (WIT) and Mission of Ukraine</p>
1:15-2:45	Conf. Rm 7	<p>Regional Centres of Expertise for Sustainable Development in Africa</p> <p>Organizer: United Nations University—Office at the UN in New York AND United Nations University—Institute of Advanced Studies</p>
1:15-2:45	Church Center 2nd Floor 777 UN Plaza	<p>Poverty and the Climate Crisis</p> <p>Organizer: Working Group on Poverty and Climate Change, NGO Subcommittee on Poverty Eradication</p> <p>Sponsored by Baha'i International, Congregation of Notre Dame, Federation of Sisters of Charity, International Peace Research Association, International Presentation Association, Sisters of Mercy, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, UNANIMA International, and the Subcommittee on Poverty Eradication</p>

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3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm C	Increasing water availability and sustainable use by comprehensive Assessment of water resources Sponsor: IAEA	<p>Dr. Pradeep Aggarwal Programme Manager , Water Resources, IAEA</p> <p>Dr. Verne Schneider Chief of International Water Resources Branch at the US Geological Survey</p> <p>Dr. Holger Rogner Programme Leader and Section Head, Planning and Economic Studies Section, Department of Nuclear Energy – IAEA</p>

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12.00 - 13.00	Conf. Rm B	Youth and Children
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13.00 - 14.00	Conf. Rm B	Major groups briefing on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns(SCPP)/the Marrakech Process
14.00 - 15.00	Conf. Rm B	
15.00 - 16.00	Conf. Rm B	Business and Industry
16.00 - 17.00	Conf. Rm B	African Region
17.00 - 18.00	Conf. Rm B	Workers and Trade Unions
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Side Events MONDAY, 11 MAY 2009		
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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm C	Providing Climate, Land-use, Energy and Water Strategies Organizers: International Atomic Energy Agency
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Gender and Agriculture Resilience Organizers: CIDA in Partnership with WOCAN
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	Climate Change and Older Persons Organizers: Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Overcoming Barriers to Regional Coordination: The Pacific Invasives Partnership and the Cooperative Islands Initiative as Model Approach Organizers: New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm C	Deploying Anaerobic Digesters in Livestock/Dairy Operations for Clean Energy, Environmental Improvement and Reduced GHG Emissions Organizers: Methane to Markets Administrative Support Group
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	CSD-17 and dryland policies: which opportunities to proceed from words to actions? Organizers: Both Ends
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 6	A Global New Deal on Agriculture Organizers: International Trade Union Confederation
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 4	Food and Sustainable Development: Future Challenges Organizers: Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality & Boston University's Frederick S. Pardee Center

Related Events MONDAY, 11 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Session
1.15 - 2.45	Conf. Rm 7	Facing Global Environmental Change: Environmental, Human, Energy, Food, Health and Water Security Concepts Organizer: United Nations University—Office at the UN in New York AND United Nations University —Institute for Environment and Human Security

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TUESDAY, 12 MAY 2009

Official Session TUESDAY, 12 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Parallel Negotiations
10.00 - 1.00	Conf. Rm 4	Working Group 1 - Preamble - Agriculture, - Rural Development, - IL, CCI, and MOI*
	Conf. Rm 2	Working Group 2 - Land, - Drought, - Desertification, - Africa
	Conf. Rm 6	Parallel Session - Dialogue of Ministers with Major Groups and UN specialized agencies, funds and programmes on Implementing Sustainable Development
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 4	Working Group 1 - Preamble - Agriculture, - Rural Development, - IL, CCI, and MOI*
	Conf. Rm 2	Working Group 2 - Land, - Drought, - Desertification, - Africa
3.00 – 5.15	Conf. Rm 6	Parallel Session - Dialogue of Ministers with Policy Research Community and UN specialized agencies, funds and programmes on Implementing Sustainable Development
5.30 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 4	Working Groups reporting on progress in negotiations
7.00 PM	Conf. Rm 3	Working Group 1 - Preamble - Agriculture, - Rural Development, - IL, CCI, and MOI*
7.00 PM	Conf. Rm 1	Working Group 2 - Land, - Drought, - Desertification, - Africa

* Inter-linkages, Cross-cutting Issues and Means of Implementation

Learning Center TUESDAY, 12 MAY 2009			
Time	Venue	Session	Trainers
10.00 - 1.00	Conf. Rm C	From Project to Self-Sustaining Business Sponsor: SEED Initiative	Ms. Heather Creech Director, Global Connectivity, IISD Ms. Helen Marquard Executive Director, SEED Initiative Mr. Ross Andrews Head of Programme, SEED Initiative
3.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm C	Innovative Finance of Public-Private Partnership and Donor Coordination ; a case of donor coordination in support of African enterprises Sponsor: USAID/AfDB	Mr. John Wasielewski Director, Office of Development Credit, USAID Ms. Leila Mokadem Manager, Private Sector & Microfinance Department, AfDB.

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10.00 - 11.00	Conf. Rm B	Women
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12.00 - 13.00	main cafeteria E side windows	Energy
13.00 - 14.00	Conf. Rm B	Indigenous Peoples
13.30 - 14.30	Suite 120 866 UN Plaza 1 st Ave / 48 th St	U.S. Listening Session for U.S. Major Groups at the Baha'I International Community
14.00 - 15.00	Conf. Rm B	Farmers
15.0 - 16.00	Conf. Rm B	Business and Industry
16.00 - 17.00	Conf. Rm B	Workers and Trade Unions
17.00 - 18.00	Conf. Rm B	Africa Regions
18.00 - 20.00	Conf. Rm B	NGOS Review strategy meeting

Side Events TUESDAY, 12 MAY 2009		
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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm C	Experiences applying the strategic Environmental Assessment for Communal Planning in Honduras Organizers: GTZ and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Climate Change and Agriculture: The Role of Trade Organizers: International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development with IPC
1.15-2.45 PM	Conf. Rm 4	Food Security: Will the next revolution be more sustainable? Organizers: UNEP
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Erosion and soil organic matter decline as Elements of Soil Degradation Organizers: Czech Presidency of the EU and Kingdom of Spain
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm C	The Role of Youth Delegates at the United Nations/CSD Organizers: European Youth Forum
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	Sustainable Bio-energy – A practical decision support tool for decision -makers in developing countries Organizers: UN Energy – Renewables Cluster
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 4	Best Practices in Enhancing Agricultural Production by Women in Africa Organizers: South Africa and Network of Women Ministers and Leaders in Agriculture
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 6	A Model for International Cooperation for Sustainable Development Organizers: Cooperation Programme between the Italian & Austrian Governments and the Government of the Pacific SIDS

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1.15 - 2.45	ECOSOC Chamber	High-level Briefing on the Outcomes of the International Scientific Congress on Climate Change: Global Risks, Challenges and Decisions Co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the UN and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

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WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2009

Official Session WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Parallel Negotiations
8.30	Conf. Rm 2	Closed Ministerial meeting: Dialogue with UN system and Heads of Governing Councils/ Executive Boards of UN Organizations – Part I (secondary passes required)
10.00 - 1.00	GA Hall	Official Opening - Statements by Chairperson of CSD-17; Secretary-General; Keynote Speakers; President of ECOSOC; Groups: on policy options, practical measures and the way forward
1.00		Ministerial lunch discussion - Lunch hosted by H.E. Ms. Gerda Verburg, Chair CSD-17 (by invitation)
3.00 – 3.45	Conf. Rm 4	Roundtable Plenary Responding to food crisis through sustainable development - Remarks by three keynote speakers
4.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 2 Conf. Rm 4	Two Parallel Interactive Sub-Roundtables

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Note: Accredited Major Groups can access the 10.00 to 1.00 session in the GA Hall through the 4th floor balcony. no need for secondary passes, just take elevators in the main visitor's entrance.

Side Events WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Session
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Challenges to Sustainable Development: Responding to the current crises and the future of Agenda 21 Organizers: Mission of Brazil to UN
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Water in a Changing World: Findings of the New World Water Development Organizers: United Nations World Water Assessment Programme
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	First Preparatory Meeting for the Ministerial Conference on Climate Change and Sustainable Development Organizers: Ministry of Tourism & Environment, Montenegro and Ministry of Environment, Land & Sea, Italy
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 4	Food Security: resource pressures and the role of governments Organizers: Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 6	Dialogue on Climate Change Adaptation for Land and Water Management Organizers: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Denmark

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9.30 - 5.30	ECOSOC Chamber	Sustainable Urbanization in the Information Age; Role of Infrastructure in Metropolitan Development Featuring Mayors and city officials from: New York (USA), Jakarta (Indonesia), Melbourne (Australia), Teubingen (Germany), Cape Town (South Africa), Curitiba (Brazil), Rosario (Argentina) Organized by UN-Habitat, UNDESA- DPAMD GAID, the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter ,Regional Plan Association, United Cities and Local Governments
1.15 – 2.45	Delegates Dining Room	The crucial role of genetic resources in ensuring food security in a changing climate Organizer: Nordic Council of Ministers
1.00-3.00	Dag Hammarskjold Plaza 47 th St & 2 nd Ave	Youth Farmers Market (Free and Open to Public) - Learn It, Grow It, Eat It youth-led nutrition education - Teen Iron Chef Cooking Demo with international recipes - Greenmarket Youth Farmers' Market –urban youth partnering with regional farmers - NYC/International youth caucus video interviews Co-sponsored by the Council on the Environment, Family Cook Productions Teen Iron Chef, WHY (World Hunger Year), and the NYC CSD Host Committee
8.30 – 6.00	ECOSOC Chamber	Sustainable Urbanization in the Information Age, Role of Infrastructure in Metropolitan Development Organizer: UN-Habitat, UNDESA- DPAMD GAID, the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter ,Regional Plan Association, United Cities and Local Governments

THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2009

Official Session THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Parallel Negotiations
8.30	Conf. Rm 2	Closed Ministerial meeting: Dialogue with UN system and Heads of Governing Councils/ Executive Boards of UN Organizations – Part II (secondary passes required)
10.00 - 10.45	Conf. Rm 4	Roundtable Plenary Realizing Green Revolution in Africa - Remarks by three keynote speakers
11.00 – 1.00	Conf. Rm 2 Conf. Rm 4	Two Parallel Interactive Sub-Roundtables
1.00		Ministerial lunch discussion - Lunch hosted by the Government of Sweden (by invitation)
3.00 – 3.45	Conf. Rm 4	Roundtable Plenary Integrated Management of Land and Water Resources for Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development - Remarks by three keynote speakers
4.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 2 Conf. Rm 4	Two Parallel Interactive Sub-Roundtables

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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm C	Water scarcity, Agriculture and Gender Organizers: Women for Water Partnership with Ministry of Agriculture, Netherlands
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	Water Scarcity and Droughts Organizers: Ministry of the Environment, Rural and Marine Affairs, Spain
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 4	The Role of Farmers in Combating Desertification, Land Degradation and Drought Organizers: International Federation of Agricultural Producers
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 6	Urban Food Security for All - possibility or wishful thinking? Organizers: Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The World Bank
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm C	Sustainable Bio-energy Development: the Global Bio-energy Partnership's contribution Organizers: Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 2	Land Degradation and Public Security Organizers: Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
6.15-7.45	Conf. Rm 6	Sustainable and Efficient Water Use in Agriculture Organizers: Government of Sweden

FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2009

Official Session FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2009		
Time	Venue	Parallel Negotiations
10.00 – 1.00	Conf. Rm 4	Plenary; Summing up the HLS - “Shared Vision” Summary of the Ministerial Roundtables
4.00 – 6.00	Conf. Rm 4	Closing Plenary - Presentation of the final decision text of CSD-17 (4:00 pm) - Adoption of the CSD-17 decisions (5:00 pm) - Other Matters - Adoption of the report of the 17th session First Session of CSD-18 - Election of CSD-18 Bureau

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1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm C	Information for Governments on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation Organizers: Equator Initiative; The Climate, Community, and Biodiversity Alliance
1.15-2.45	Conf. Rm 2	From Conflict to Peace building – The Role of Natural Resources and the Environment Organizers: Permanent Mission of Finland with UNEP