



## Financing for Development

Review Session 1	<b>General Assembly</b> Sixty-second session  <b>Informal Review Session on Chapter V of the Monterrey Consensus</b> <b>"External Debt"</b> (10 – 11 March 2008, UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4)	
Review Session 2	<b>Provisional Programme</b>	
	<b>10 March 2008</b>	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
Review Session 3	10:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.	<i>Co-Chairs:</i>
Review Session 4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz</b> Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvald</b> Permanent Representative of Norway to the United Nations</li> </ul>
Review Session 5		<i>Panelists:</i>
Review Session 6		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Thomas Courbe</b>, Secretary General, Paris Club, France</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Deepak Nayyar</b>, Professor of Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India</li> <li>▪ <b>Ms. Martine Guerguil</b>, Chief of Official Financing Division, Policy Development and Review Department, IMF</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Hitoshi Shoji</b>, Adviser, Development Assistance Strategy Department, Japan Bank for International Cooperation</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Léonce Ndikumana</b>, Chief, Macroeconomic Analysis, UN Economic Commission for Africa</li> </ul>
Civil Society Hearings	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	<b>Interactive Debate</b>
Business Sector Hearings	3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	<b>Interactive Debate</b> (continued)
	<b>11 March 2008</b>	
	10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	<b>Interactive Debate</b> (continued)

## Biographical Notes

**Mr. Thomas Courbe** is Secretary General of the Paris Club, a group of official creditor governments from major industrialized countries. Before joining the Paris Club, he held various managerial positions in the French Ministry of Economy, Finances and Industry, where he was Head of the Aerospace and Shipping Export Finance Division (2006-2007), Head of the Africa and Maghreb Division (2004-2006) and Deputy Head of the Southeast Asia Division (2002-2004). From 2000 to 2002, he served in the French Ministry of Defense as Chief of Staff of the Director of the Department for Aircraft Programmes.

**Mr. Deepak Nayyar** (India) is Professor of Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and Distinguished University Professor of Economics, New School for Social Research, New York. Previously he taught economics at the University of Oxford, the University of Sussex and the Indian Institute of Management in Calcutta. He served as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Delhi from 2000 to 2005. His research focuses primarily on the areas of international economics, macroeconomics and development economics. For his contribution to research in economics he received the VKRV Rao Award. His distinguished career in academia has been interspersed with short periods of service in government. Mr. Nayyar holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Oxford.

**Ms. Martine Guerguil** is Chief of the Official Financing Operations Division in the Policy Development and Review Department of the International Monetary Fund. She has also held different positions in the Western Hemisphere Department of the Fund. Prior to joining the IMF, Ms. Guerguil worked for the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in Santiago, Chile. Her principal area of research is international finance. A national of France, Ms. Guerguil studied at the *Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris* and at the University of Paris, Panthéon-Sorbonne.

**Mr. Hitoshi Shoji** is Adviser to the Development Assistance Strategy Department of the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC). He is the focal point at the JBIC for issues related to the Development Assistance Committee, OECD. He is also a core member of the Japanese delegation to the Working Party on Aid Effectiveness. Previously, Mr. Shoji worked as Senior Operating Officer at the World Bank. He also held the position of Director at the First Division of the Operations Department in the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund. Mr. Shoji received his MPA from Harvard University (1991) and his MBA from the University of Warwick (2001).

**Mr. Léonce Ndikumana** (Burundi) is Chief of the Macroeconomic Analysis Section at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. His work at the UN involves examining and monitoring economic performance of African countries with the focus on macroeconomic policy frameworks and their impact on growth. He is currently on leave from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where he is an Associate Professor of Economics. His academic research investigates the role of financial systems in domestic investment, issues of external debt and capital flight from African countries, the politics and economics of conflict and civil wars in Africa and fiscal policies in the context of post-conflict reconstruction.

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