



Financing for Development

Review Session 1	General Assembly Sixty-second session	
Review Session 2		
Review Session 3	3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Co-Chairs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvald, Permanent Representative of Norway to the United Nations ▪ H.E. Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz, Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. Joseph G. Gavin, Vice President for Trade Policy, US Council for International Business <i>"Trade and investment contributions to development financing: a world business perspective"</i> ▪ Ms. Ann J. Miles, Director, BlueOrchard Finance <i>"Developments in microfinance since the adoption of the Monterrey Consensus"</i> ▪ Mr. Herman Mulder, Independent Advisor, former Head of Group Risk Management, ABN AMRO Bank <i>"Making a difference: inclusive growth, inclusive architecture"</i> ▪ Mr. Parag Saxena, Co-Founder and CEO, Vedanta Capital <i>"The need for fixed income markets"</i> ▪ Mr. George J. Vojta, Founder and Chairman, eStandardsForum <i>"Facilitating private investment for sustainable development"</i> ▪ Ms. Evelyn Ndali Oputu, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Bank of Industry, Nigeria <i>"Improving financial resource mobilization to move the poverty reduction agenda forward"</i>
Review Session 4		
Review Session 5		
Review Session 6		
Civil Society Hearings		
Business Sector Hearings	4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Interactive Debate

Hearings of the business sector on financing for development (18 June 2008, UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4)

Provisional Programme

Biographical Notes

Mr. Joseph G. Gavin communicates US Council for International Business (USCIB) views on a broad range of economic policy matters, including trade and customs, to the US government. He is also responsible for trade and customs work with USCIB international affiliates, especially with the ICC and the BIAC. He authored a book, *US Grain Exports, Russian Buyers and Short Supplies* (1990), as well as a number of articles on trade issues. Mr. Gavin received a Bachelor's degree in History from Harvard University, a Master's in International Affairs from Columbia University and studied Economics at Lund University in Sweden. He earned a PhD in Political Studies at Columbia University. Prior to his doctoral studies, he served as a research associate in the International Economics Department of the First National City Bank in New York City.

Ms. Ann J. Miles is Director at BlueOrchard Finance, S.A., an asset-management company based in Switzerland, which specializes in microfinance commercial debt instruments and manages \$700 million in assets for institutional clients. Prior to joining BlueOrchard, she worked for Women's World Banking (WWB), a nonprofit network of 55 financial institutions engaged in microfinance, where she managed the financial products and services team that helped WWB's network members access commercial funding in the local and international financial markets. She was a Vice President at Citibank N.A. and held positions in the Financial Institutions Group. She recently joined the board of the International Association of Microfinance Investors and serves on the External Investment Committee of the Calvert Foundation. Ms. Miles earned her Bachelor's degree in Economics from Drew University.

Mr. Herman Mulder is an Independent Advisor on "the business case for environmental, social, ethical and governance issues". For 27 years he held leading positions at ABN AMRO in relationship management, defaulted loan restructuring and recovery, project finance and syndicated loans. From 1995, he was Global Head of Structured Finance and from 1998, Senior Executive Vice President, Head of Group Risk Management and Co-chairman of the Group Risk Committee. He led ABN AMRO's global initiatives in Sustainable Development, for which the bank is a recognized sector leader. In mid 2006, he conscientiously chose to retire from ABN AMRO to become an independent advisor to promote the role of the business sector in sustainable development worldwide in many different capacities, including board memberships, ranging from climate issues to social entrepreneurship and from advising and mediation to business development and finance.

Mr. Parag Saxena is Co-Founder and CEO of Vedanta Capital. He has been involved in more than 300 private transactions and served on the Partnership Advisory Boards of Accel, Gryphon, Domain Partners, Essex Woodlands, Kiwi I Ventures, Salix Venture Partners and Skyline Venture Partners, as well as on the boards of several private and public companies. He co-founded the private capital group at Citicorp Investment Management and INVESCO Private Capital. Previously, he worked in the Technology Management Services Group at Booz, Allen and Hamilton. Mr. Saxena received his MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and his MS in Chemical Engineering from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.

Mr. George J. Vojta is Founder and Chairman of eStandardsForum, the Financial Standards Foundation and The Westchester Group, LLC. He is a former Vice Chairman of the Board, Director and Member of the Management Committee of Bankers Trust Company and its parent, the Bankers Trust New York Corporation. He has been active in global finance since 1961 and served as a consultant and advisor on financial matters for the World Bank, the Bank for International Settlements and individual countries and enterprises. He is currently a member of the New York State Banking Board, which regulates most of the foreign banking institutions doing business in US markets. Mr. Vojta also develops and teaches training and academic courses at Wharton, Yale and Emory Universities. He received his BA (magna cum laude) from Yale University in 1957 and his MA in 1961.

Ms. Evelyn Ndali Oputu was appointed Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank of Industry (BOI) of Nigeria in December 2005. Since she assumed office, BOI has embarked on a number of initiatives designed to facilitate the attainment of the MDGs in Nigeria. Accordingly, the bank's investment portfolio has expanded in favour of SMEs. Commencing her banking career in Nigeria in 1976, with ICON Limited, she later held management positions with the International Merchant Bank and First Bank, the largest bank in Nigeria. Ms. Oputu is renowned for her investment and commercial banking expertise, as well as her vast experience, which spans more than two decades. She is an alumnus of the University of Lagos and the Harvard Business School and interned at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York.
