

# INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY

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## PROGRAMME

**WEDNESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2006** [Conference Room 2]

10:00 - 11:15	<p><b>OPENING AND PLENARY SESSION</b> Chair: <b>Mr José Antonio Ocampo</b>, Under-Secretary General for Economic and Social Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs</p> <p><b>GUEST SPEAKERS</b> <b>H.E. Ms. Tiina Intelmann</b>, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Estonia to the United Nations, Chair of the Second Committee <b>Prof. Peter Townsend</b>, Townsend Centre for International Poverty Research <b>Ms Wahu Kaara</b>, Ecumenical Coordinator for the Millennium Development Goals, All Africa Conference of Churches &amp; Feminist Task Force of the Global Call to Action Against Poverty (GCAP) [Conference Room 2]</p>
11:15 - 12:45	<p><b>SESSION 1: REDUCING HUNGER AND EXTREME POVERTY</b> Moderator: <b>Mr. Prabhu Pingali</b>, Director, Agricultural and Development Economics Division, FAO <b>Ms. Rajul Pandya-Lorch</b>, Head, 2020 Vision for Food, Agriculture, and the Environment Initiative, and Chief of Staff, Director General's Office, International Food Policy Research Institute <b>Mr. David Beckmann</b>, President, Bread for the World <b>Mr. Roberto Bissio</b>, Executive Director, Third World Institute; Coordinator, Social Watch [Conference Room 2]</p>
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b> 13:30 - 14:45	<p><b>ON OVERCOMING POVERTY TRAPS</b> Moderator: <b>Mr. Johan Scholvinck</b>, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA <b>Prof. Stephen C. Smith</b>, Professor of Economics and International Affairs, Director, Research Program in Poverty, Development and Globalization, George Washington University <b>Ms. Rabeya Yasmin</b>, Program Co-ordinator, BRAC, Bangladesh <b>Ms. Chinwe Effiong</b>, Regional Director, East and Anglophone W. Africa, Africare [Conference Room 2]</p>
13:30 - 14:45	<p><b>ON GOOD PRACTICES IN POVERTY ERADICATION INITIATIVES</b> Moderator: <b>Mr. Roberto Bissio</b>, Executive Director, Third World Institute; Coordinator, Social Watch <b>Ms. Solveig Buhl</b>, Social Development Advisor, GTZ <b>Ms. Cecile Reinhart</b>, ATD 4th World; Co-founder, Croisement de Savoirs <b>Ms. Tracy Dolan</b>, Child Participation Adviser, Christian Children's Fund [Dag Hammarskjöld Auditorium]</p>
15:00 - 16:30	<p><b>SESSION 2: ELIMINATING CHILD POVERTY AND BREAKING THE INTERGENERATIONAL CYCLE OF DISADVANTAGE</b> Moderator: <b>Ms Elizabeth Gibbons</b>, Chief, Global Policy, Division of Policy and Planning, UNICEF <b>Prof. Peter Townsend</b>, Townsend Centre for International Poverty Research <b>Prof. David Gordon</b>, University of Bristol and Townsend Centre for International Poverty Research <b>Ms. Jo Maher</b>, HelpAge International <b>Prof. Michael Samson</b>, Economic Policy Research Institute, Cape Town [Conference Room 2]</p>
16:30:18:00	<p><b>SESSION 3: BUILDING PRODUCTIVE CAPACITIES AND FACILITATING ACCESS TO FINANCIAL RESOURCES</b> Moderator: <b>Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram</b>, Assistant-Secretary General for Economic Development, DESA <b>Mr. Charles Gore</b>, Chief for Research and Policy Analysis, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programs, UNCTAD <b>Mr. Augusto de la Torre</b>, Senior Regional Financial Sector Advisor Latin America &amp; the Caribbean, World Bank <b>Mr. Kadmiel Wekwete</b>, Director, United Nations Capital Development Fund, Local Governance Unit [Conference Room 2]</p>

**THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2006** [Conference Room 2]

10:00 - 11:20	<p><b>SESSION 4: EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN: ACCESS TO ASSETS</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Ms. Caren A. Grown</b>, Senior Scholar and Co-director of the Gender Equality and the Economy program, The Levy Economics Institute <b>Ms. Haoua Dia MP</b>, President Senegalese Women's Council <b>Ms. Jan Peterson</b>, Chair, Huairou Commission and Member, High-Level Commission on the Legal Empowerment of the Poor <b>Prof. Cheryl Doss</b>, Professor of Economics, Yale University [Conference Room 2]</p>
11:20 - 12:45	<p><b>SESSION 5: MAINSTREAMING DECENT WORK INTO POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGIES</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Riswanul Islam</b>, Director, Economic and Labour Markets Analysis Department, ILO <b>Prof. Martha Chen</b>, Harvard University <b>Mr. Claude Akpokavie</b>, ILO Bureau for Workers' Activities <b>Dr. Ladislaus Columban Komba</b>, Permanent Secretary of Labour, Tanzania [Conference Room 2]</p>
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b> 13:30 - 14:45	<p><b>ON THE MILLENNIUM VILLAGES PROJECT</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Johan Scholvinck</b>, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA <b>Prof. Pedro Sanchez</b>, Director, Millennium Villages Project, Director, Center for Tropical Agriculture and the Rural Environment, The Earth Institute, Columbia University <b>Dr. Patrick Mutuo</b>, Science Coordinator, Millennium Villages Project [Conference Room 2]</p>
13:30 - 14:45	<p><b>ON RIGHTS, PARTICIPATION AND POVERTY ERADICATION</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Ms. Sharon Altendorf</b>, PBVM, International Presentation Association of the Sisters of the Presentation <b>Mr. Quentin Wodon</b>, Lead Poverty Specialist for Africa, World Bank <b>Dr. Iulia-Antoanella Motoc</b>, Member, United Nations Sub-Commission on Promotion and Protection of Human Rights <b>Mr. Jacques Petidor</b>, Informal education technician, Ministry of Education, Haiti [Dag Hammarskjöld Auditorium]</p>
15:00 - 16:20	<p><b>SESSION 6A: BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF LDCS</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury</b>, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked and Developing Countries and Small Island States (UN-OHRLS) <b>H.E. Mr. Joe Robert Pemagbi</b>, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Sierra Leone to the United Nations <b>H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury</b>, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations <b>Mr. Charles Gore</b>, Chief for Research and Policy Analysis, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programs, UNCTAD [Dag Hammarskjöld Auditorium]</p>
15:00 - 16:20	<p><b>SESSION 6B: WORKING TOGETHER, BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Amir Dossal</b>, Executive Director, United Nations Fund for International Partnerships (UNFIP) <b>Mr. Bharat Wakhlu</b>, President, Tata Inc., US <b>Ms Wahu Kaara</b>, Ecumenical Coordinator for the Millennium Development Goals, All Africa Conference of Churches &amp; Feminist Task Force of the Global Call to Action Against Poverty (GCAP) <b>Ms. Stefania Marcone</b>, Director, International Relations Office, Legacoop [Conference Room 2]</p>
16:20 - 17:40	<p><b>SESSION 7: THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX, INNOVATIVE APPROACHES</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram</b>, Assistant-Secretary General for Economic Development, DESA <b>Prof. Nicholas Negroponte</b>, Founder, One Laptop per Child <b>Prof. Iqbal Quadir</b>, Founder Director, Program in Developmental Entrepreneurship, MIT <b>Mr. Patrick Mulvany</b>, Senior Policy Adviser, Practical Action [Conference Room 2]</p>
17:45 - 18:00	<p><b>CLOSING PLENARY SESSION</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>H.E. Sheikha Haya Rashed Al Khalifa</b>, President, General Assembly <b>Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram</b>, Assistant-Secretary General for Economic Development, DESA [Conference Room 2]</p>