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**Committing to action: achieving the Millennium
Development Goals**


**Compilation of initiatives and commitments relating to the
High-level Event on the Millennium Development Goals**



List of commitments/initiatives¹ announced for the High-level Event on the MDGs, 25 September 2008


Member States


MDG	Initiative, announcement, commitment	Target
 <p>MDG 1 Eradicate poverty and hunger</p>	<p><i>Afghanistan:</i> National Development Strategy launched in June 2008. Despite significant progress made towards the MDGs, many challenges remain, including poverty and unemployment, access to basic services, and lack of security. Four main constraints in the delivery and effectiveness of aid are: 1. overall volume of aid delivered limited relative to other post-conflict settings; 2. gap between pledges and disbursements; 3. three quarters of aid disbursed outside national budget; and 4. proportion of tied aid three times more than untied aid.</p>	Afghanistan
	<p><i>Brazil:</i> Maintain Family Grant Program (Program Bolsa Família) conditional income transfer programme, which has lifted millions of individuals above the poverty line; established the “MDG Award” to recognize successful programmes and encourage further actions by civil society, private sector and regional governments.</p>	Brazil
	<p><i>China:</i> Committed to double the number of agricultural technology demonstration centres to be built for developing countries (from 15 to 30); increase the number of agricultural experts and technicians sent overseas by 1,000 to twice the original figure; provide agricultural training for 3,000 people from developing countries in China. China will increase food export and aid to countries short of food.</p>	Global
	<p><i>China:</i> Committed to contribute US\$ 30 million to FAO to establish a trust fund for projects and activities designed to help developing countries enhance agricultural productivity.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Croatia:</i> On path to implement all MDGs by 2015. Joint Inclusion Memorandum (JIM) represents first step in the application of EU common goals in the fight against poverty and social exclusion through national policy.</p>	Croatia
	<p><i>Egypt:</i> In cooperation with the development partners, converted part of the outstanding debt finance development programmes to achieve the MDGs in health, environment and other areas.</p>	Egypt
	<p><i>India:</i> Undertaken to achieve a number of monitorable targets as part of the 11th 5 Year National Development Plan spanning the period up to 2012.</p>	India
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to increase agricultural productivity in Africa, including capacity-building for 50,000 agricultural leaders.</p>	Africa

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	<i>Mexico:</i> Committed to the achievement of MDGs nationally and internationally. On track to achieve MDGs by 2015. MDGs considered minimum standard and more ambitious targets established. Notable progress made in a number of specific indicators, such as reduction of extreme poverty.	Mexico
	<i>Saudi Arabia:</i> Committed \$800 million for food and energy.	Global
	<i>Spain:</i> E 50 million to a new window on “Children, Food Security and Nutrition” in the framework of the MDG Achievement Fund.	Global
	<i>Pakistan:</i> Launched cash transfer programme (Benazir Income Support Programme), with allocation of Rs.34 billion for 2008-09 to provide cash assistance of Rs.1,000/per month to 3.4 million low income households.	Pakistan
	<i>Republic of Korea:</i> Committed to contribute US\$ 100 million over next 3 years for emergency food relief through WFP and for technical cooperation to increase agricultural productivity in developing countries.	Global
	<i>Timor-Leste:</i> Will contribute \$1 million in support of the work of both UNICEF and UNHCR in 2009.	Global
	<i>Turkey:</i> Will create a strategic reserve fund of 50 million dollars over the next 3 years to support WFP and other related flash appeals.	Global
	<i>United Kingdom:</i> To halve number of people going hungry by 2015, and to tackle the immediate food crises reverberating around the world and especially the Horn of Africa, UK committed £42m.	Global/Horn of Africa
	<i>United States Agency for International Development:</i> “Investing in agriculture partnerships to combat hunger”. Committed \$61 million over the coming 5 years to support small-scale African farmers with affordable, reliable and high quality seeds and planting material.	Global
	MDG 2 Achieve universal primary education	
	<i>Australia:</i> \$10 million to UNICEF Transition Fund for education in fragile and disaster-affected states.	Global
	<i>Australia:</i> Committed \$450m for education over the next 3 years.	Global
	<i>Benin:</i> Build 6,000 classrooms in 2008; improve teaching; vocational training.	Benin
	<i>Brunei Darussalam:</i> Expand and develop scholarship programmes offered to foreign students at various academic, technical and research institutes in Brunei Darussalam.	Global

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	<i>China:</i> Will give 10,000 scholarships for developing countries and offer special training programmes for 1,500 headmasters, school principals and teachers from African countries.	Africa
	<i>Italy:</i> Will establish local health units in Africa, in cooperation with Italian regions.	Africa
	<i>Japan:</i> Committed to build 1,000 schools with approximately 5,500 classrooms in Africa.	Africa
	<i>Japan:</i> Committed to train 300,000 teachers mainly in math and science, including 100,000 in Africa.	Global/Africa
	<i>Japan:</i> Committed to improve management of 10,000 schools in Africa through local community participation.	Africa
	<i>Monaco:</i> Increasing access to preschool and primary education for 100,000 children per year.	Morocco, Burkina Faso, Madagascar, Mali
	<i>Portugal:</i> Has recently created a €30 million fund for education and training in Portuguese-speaking countries.	Portuguese-speaking countries
	<i>Russian Federation:</i> Is giving \$42.9 million to the World Bank for primary education in CIS, Asia and Africa.	CIS, Asia and Africa
	<i>Solomon Islands:</i> Is working with development partners to offer free primary education by 2009; has a programme to train untrained teachers to increase quality.	Solomon Islands
	<i>United Kingdom:</i> Basic Services Fund for Southern Sudan committed over 17 million pounds for the provision of basic services, including primary education, via non-government actors to the most under-served populations.	Sudan
	<i>Uruguay:</i> Is providing one computer per child in primary education.	Uruguay
 <p data-bbox="352 1206 583 1295">MDG 3 Promote gender equality and empower women</p>	<p data-bbox="590 1117 1633 1377"><i>Denmark:</i> Made new Call to Action on MDG3. Development assistance to gender equality and women's rights and opportunities will be doubled from DKK 200 million in 2008 to DKK 400 million in 2010. Initiative for women's rights and opportunities in Liberia will be launched (DKK 100 million). Part of the campaign is the Global MDG3 Champion Torch Campaign. Each MDG3 Torch Bearer (representatives of governments, international organizations, private sector and civil society from all over the world) has committed to "Doing something Extra" in support of gender equality and women's economic empowerment. By 25/9, 100 commitments were made, including by Goldman Sachs (US\$ 100 million).</p>	Global/Liberia

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 MDG 4 Reduce child mortality	<p><i>Ethiopia:</i> Has deployed 24,000 female health workers through its Health Extension Programme, and will deploy an additional 6,000 by the end of 2008 for health care of women and children, with the aim of achieving universal access to primary health care by 2010.</p>	Ethiopia
	<p><i>Spain:</i> Committed E50 million to a new multi-donor Fund on Gender equality and Aid effectiveness.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Chile:</i> Chile launched on 19 September 2008 the regional campaign entitled “Deliver now for women and children”, coordinated by the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health and in close collaboration with the Network for Global Leaders for MDGs 4 and 5.</p>	Latin America/ Chile
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to improve maternal, newborn and child health, saving the lives of 400,000 children</p>	Global
	<p><i>Norway:</i> Developed a policy focusing particularly on MDGs 4/5, and pledged US\$ 1 billion over ten years to reduce child and maternal mortality. This is in addition to a pledge of US\$ 1 billion between 2000 and 2015 for vaccinating children in poor countries.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Panama:</i> Increased medical coverage for children under the age 5.</p>	Panama
	<p><i>Tanzania:</i> Has a National Road Map Strategic Plan to accelerate Reduction of Maternal, Newborn and Child Death in an integrated manner and addressing continuum of care.</p>	Tanzania
 MDG 5 Improve maternal health	<p><i>United States:</i> To invest US\$ 1.2 b over 5 years on health workforce development in 4 nations (Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Zambia).</p>	Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Zambia
	<p><i>Australia:</i> Committed AUD \$250 million of the next 4 years to improve women and children’s health, with focus on Asia-Pacific countries.</p>	Asia-Pacific
	<p><i>Burundi:</i> Committed to extending free health care to all pregnant women from 2009.</p>	Burundi
	<p><i>Pakistan:</i> To improve maternal health, the Government as part of its Lady Health Workers Programme, initiated in 1994 to provide basic health-care services to women on their doorstep, recruited over 96,000 LHWs in the past couple of years to more efficiently execute the programme.</p>	Pakistan
<p><i>Pakistan:</i> Launched its National Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Programme to improve access to high quality and effective MCH services for all, especially the poor and disadvantaged, through the development and implementation of a sustainable MCH programme at all levels of the health delivery system.</p>	Pakistan	

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	MDG 6 Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases	<i>Australia:</i> Committed AUD 25 million to help eliminate malaria, island by island, in Vanuatu and Solomon Islands. Australia will also host the inaugural meeting of the Asia Pacific Malaria Elimination Network in 2009.	The Pacific
	<i>China:</i> Will ensure that the 30 hospitals it builds for African countries are staffed and equipped and train 1,000 doctors, nurses and managers for the recipient countries.	Global	
	<i>Denmark:</i> Committed to doubling assistance to DKK 1 billion in 2010 with the aim to achieve universal access to prevention, treatment and care.	Global	
	<i>DIFID/UK:</i> Pledges to increase spending to fund research and development to at least £5m per year by 2010.	Global	
	<i>Ireland:</i> Renewed commitment to continue spending €100 million annually on HIV/AIDS-related activities.	Global	
	<i>Japan:</i> Committed to train 100,000 health workers in Africa to achieve MDGs 4, 5 and 6.	Africa	
	<i>Japan:</i> Pledged additional US\$ 560 million to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria in coming years.	Global	
	<i>Monaco:</i> Will open centres for neglected diseases in Niger and Mali in 2009.	Niger and Mali	
	<i>Mozambique:</i> Developed a comprehensive Workforce Development Plan for 2008-2015, that will increase the number of health workers from 26,000 to 46,000 by 2015 — giving 1.89 health workers per 1,000 population. The financing gap to achieve this plan rises from 66 million dollars in 2009 to 111 million dollars per year by 2015.	Mozambique	
	<i>Russian Federation:</i> Will give \$20 million for malaria; \$18 million for polio; and \$80 million for the Advance Market Commitment for Vaccines.	Global	
	<i>Russian Federation:</i> Will give \$40 million to the Global Fund for AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.	Global	
	<i>Spain:</i> 150 million US\$ to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.	Global	
<i>The Netherlands:</i> Will contribute 58.5 million Euros per year to UNFPA, over the coming four years. In addition The Netherlands also intends to contribute 20 million Euros annually to the Global Program on Reproductive Health Commodity Security over the coming four years. The Netherlands will support the development of sexual and reproductive health services in Mali with an additional budget of 19 million Euros.	Global		

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 MDG 7 Ensure environmental sustainability	<p><i>United Kingdom:</i> To provide 20m bed nets by 2010; increasing funding for malaria research and committing £40m to a global fund-hosted funding stream to make sure the poorest have access to the latest and best malarial drugs. £450m over the next 3 years to support national health plans in 8 countries.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Belarus:</i> Proposed to establish a permanent United Nations mechanism to facilitate access of all countries to the advanced energy technologies.</p>	Global
	<p><i>China:</i> Committed to build 100 small-scale clean energy projects for developing countries over 5 years, including small hydropower, solar power and bio-gas projects.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Denmark:</i> Doubled allocation for climate change initiatives to DKK 200 million in 2009. Amount will increase to DKK 500 million in 2012.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Greece:</i> Will provide 20 million EUR to AU, CARICOM, AOSIS for funding adaptation to climate change in LDCs and SIDS over next four years. Through Chairmanship of Human Security Network, contributed to the launching of an in-depth international dialogue on the effects of climate change on populations.</p>	Global/Africa/AOSIS
	<p><i>Iceland:</i> Announced a fund over 6 million USD for the Island Growth Initiative to promote sustainable development in small island developing States (SIDS) in a variety of sectors, including fisheries, sustainable energy, women participation in development, climate change mitigation and adaptation.</p>	SIDS
	<p><i>Israel:</i> Partnered with Agri Enterprise development for stimulating rural economies in Africa. Increased financial contribution and commitments, and renewed commitments to sharing know-how, expertise, and technologies in a number of areas such as food security, agriculture, water management, and desertification to help develop rural economies and advance the green revolution in Africa.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to build capacity of 5,000 water managers/users.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to develop water facilities to provide safe drinking water to 6.5 million people.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to dispatch Water Security Action Teams.</p>	Global
<p><i>Japan:</i> Established a new financial mechanism on climate change, Cool Earth Partnership, of US\$ 10 billion, cooperating actively with developing countries' efforts to reduce emissions.</p>	Global	
<p><i>Pakistan:</i> Launched the multi-billion rupee, "Clean Drinking Water for All by 2008", programme, as part of its efforts to ensure environmental sustainability, to improve drinking water source especially for the poorest of the poor.</p>	Pakistan	


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	<i>Republic of Korea:</i> Launched “East Asia Climate Partnership” programme, including funding of US\$ 200 million over next 5 years to support developing countries in making growth compatible with climate change.	East Asia
	<i>Spain:</i> E10 million to the UN-Habitat Trust Fund on Water and Sanitation. US\$ 1.5 billion to a Water and Sanitation Fund for Latin America.	Latin America/ Global
	<i>Sweden:</i> Announced new funding package for climate change and development allocating over US\$ 585 million in additional support to climate-related development assistance over 2009-2011. Main objective is to contribute to and support adaptation to climate change in the poorest countries. Also targets reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in developing countries through dissemination of advanced technologies and promotion of energy efficiency measures. Funds will primarily be allocated through existing multilateral channels, and through bilateral cooperation with a specific focus on Africa.	Global/Africa
	<i>The Netherlands:</i> Contribute to the provision of access to safe drinking water and sanitation for at least 50 million people by 2015. Has already signed various agreements that will benefit almost 30 million people, at a cost of around 1.3 billion euros.	Global
	<i>Andorra:</i> In 2008, providing Euro 2 million in ODA to UN funds and programmes.	Global
	<i>Brazil:</i> Provides South-South cooperation, especially in South America, Portuguese-speaking countries and Africa.	South America/ Africa
	<i>China:</i> Committed to cancel outstanding interest-free loans extended to least developed countries that mature before the end of 2008 and give zero-tariff treatment to 95% of products from least developed countries.	Global
	<i>Cyprus:</i> Redefined development cooperation policy in line with EU priorities. Increased national aid-budget for attainment of MDGs. Effort to increase flow of new and additional resources for financial development in Africa. Committed to contributing to International Funds/Initiatives that support African countries.	Africa
	<i>Denmark:</i> Set aside DKK 15.3 billion in 2009 for development assistance (equivalent to 0.82 per cent of GNI) to support efforts in achieving all MDGs and to combat poverty. Two thirds of bilateral assistance to be directed to Africa. DKK 200 million set aside in 2009 to ensure follow-up to the recommendations of the Commission for Effective Development Cooperation with Africa.	Global/Africa




**MDG 8 Develop
global partnership
for development**



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	<p><i>Finland:</i> Has in place Development Policy Programme based on comprehensive approach covering all policy sectors, aimed at eradicating poverty by promoting sustainable development. Finland concentrates on fields where it has cutting-edge expertise, such as forest and water management as well as renewable energy. Finland is increasing its financing in sustainable forestry, often perceived as one of the orphan sectors in development cooperation.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Italy:</i> Launched a partnership initiative among local governments to contribute to the achievement of MDGs, promoting essential role of local governments to mobilize broad range of actors, resources, knowledge, best practices, and technology transfer. The launch took place in the context of an event on “The Contribution of local government to the MDGs” held on 24 September 2008 in New York to raise awareness of role of local governments as agents of change. Furthermore the event launched a follow-up initiative in the lead up to Milano Expo 2015, where representatives of international institutions, mayors and civil society organizations are invited to work together to showcase concrete actions that local governments can undertake to promote the MDGs.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to assist doubling FDI from Japanese private sector to Africa by the end of 2012.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to double ODA without debt relief to Africa by 2012, including doubling bilateral grants.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Japan:</i> Committed to provide up to US\$ 4 billion ODA loan over five years with special focus on infrastructure and agricultural development.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Spain:</i> In the framework of the MDG Fund: E110 million to the new “Delivering as One” funding window; E40 million to reinforce the different existing window on “Children, Food Security and Nutrition” (mentioned above, under MDG 1).</p>	Global
	<p><i>Republic of Korea:</i> Set mid-term target of ODA/GNI at 0.25% by 2015, representing a six-fold increase from 0.04% in 2000. With this target in place, Korea’s ODA is expected to reach around 3.3 billion dollars in 2015.</p>	Global

Groups of Member States/Partnerships/Non-State Entities²

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	MDG 1 Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger	Bread for the World, Alliance to End Hunger, Inter-faith Anti-Hunger Coordinators: “Global hunger crises” examined responses to the hunger crisis.	Global
		<i>China, UN country team, UN Office for Partnerships:</i> “China’s progress towards the MDGs” launched China’s new national MDG Progress Report.	China
		<i>European Commission, Economic Community of West African States:</i> “The food prices crisis: An opportunity for agriculture and world food security?” promoted the establishment of a new global partnership on food security as proposed by the G-8 leaders.	Global
		<i>EU:</i> The EU Agenda for Action on the MDGs is the basis for mainstreaming MDGs into coherent development cooperation strategies and enhanced coordination of EU efforts. EU is committed to contributing significantly to bridging the financing gap by 2010 in the areas of agriculture, food security and rural development, notably through supporting the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) framework.	Global
		<i>Feminist Task Force-Global Call to Action against Poverty, Women of Color Policy Network of the Wagner School of New York University:</i> “Women’s Tribunal On The MDGs” committed to hold Women’s Tribunals around the world on Women and MDG 1 with a focus on Women and the Food Crisis, Women and MDG 7 and Climate Change.	Global
		<i>Global Call to Action Against Poverty, UN Millennium Campaign, Amnesty International, Action Aid:</i> “Global Call to Action Against Poverty — Poverty Hearings on the MDGs” commitment to empower citizens to hold their governments accountable for promises made through poverty hearings, involving poorest and marginalized groups; and affirmed commitment to production of civil society MDG shadow reports in the North and South to monitor Government progress.	Global
		<i>International Labour Organization, Realizing Rights:</i> “Working out of poverty: A decent work approach to development and the MDGs The Ethical Globalization Initiative” to promote greater awareness, stronger commitments and new partnerships on making decent work more central to the MDGs.	Global
		<i>Ireland, UN Special Advisor on the MDGs, Earth Institute at Columbia University:</i> Launched Hunger Task Force Report which provides recommendations on ways in which Ireland and the international community can achieve MDG 1.	Global
		<i>Overseas Development Institute, Chronic Poverty Research Centre, UN Millennium Campaign:</i> “Getting the MDGs fundamentals right” promoted enhanced public dialogue about the MDGs in the South; recommended new target on social protection under MDG 1.	Global


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	<i>Religions for Peace, UN Millennium Campaign:</i> “Eliminating poverty through the MDGs” promoted commitments to scale up efforts for achieving the MDGs and eliminating poverty.	Global
	<i>UN Global Compact Office, UN Development Programme, Office of the Coordinator for Humanitarian Affairs, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, UN Office for Partnerships:</i> “UN Private Sector Forum — The Millennium Development Goals and Food Sustainability” launched a new compilation of best practices and commitments “Food Sustainability — A Guide to Private Sector Action” and a new framework for business collaboration with the UN to mobilize engagement. The Global Partnership for the Business Call to Action was launched by UNDP, UK Department for International Development, International Business Leaders Forum and UN Global Compact, in collaboration with World Economic Forum.	Global
	<i>UNDP, UN Capital Development Fund, UN-Habitat, Netherlands Development Organization (SNV), UN Millennium Campaign, Action Aid:</i> “Local Poverty reduction and MDG Localization: Scaling up the achievement of MDGs”. Launched new MDG campaign by local governments in Africa jointly with the UN Millennium Campaign and United Cities and Local Governments Africa Commitment on South-South experience.	Global
	<i>World Food Programme (WFP),</i> backed by philanthropists <i>Bill Gates and Howard Buffett:</i> Announced the Purchase for Progress project, which will buy surplus crops directly from poor farmers in Africa and Central America to feed people facing hunger and starvation. The project has been backed by \$76 million in grant funding from charitable organizations, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Howard Buffett Foundation.	Africa/Central America
	<i>Ericsson:</i> Committed to create an Innovation Centre comprised on 3 regionally placed development hubs which will focus on developing applications and tools for the rural poor in Africa.	Regional — Africa
	<i>Ericsson:</i> Committed to start a project to install weather stations to monitor local parameters.	Global
	<i>FINLAY:</i> Committed to create 10,000 new jobs in Bangladesh by 2011 by bringing poultry and dairy facilities to people.	Bangladesh
	<i>Free Rice:</i> Committed to increase rice donations from 45bn to 90bn grains.	Global
	<i>KPMG:</i> Providing auditing expertise via no-fee engagements to help evaluate potential new agricultural investments in Kenya, Ghana, Nigeria, and Mozambique.	Regional — Africa
	<i>MAP International:</i> Supporting the expansion of a cell phone-based banking model that is based on biometric identification. It will provide financial services to people who have never before had access to bank accounts.	Global

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	<i>Nedbank</i> , along with three other large banks in South Africa: Developing a programme to lower the costs of finance for smallholders.	South Africa
	<i>Partner Re</i> : Working with the World Bank and IFC to set up a global reinsurance programme that will underwrite developing country agricultural risk using parametric-based products.	Global
	<i>The Commonwealth Business Council</i> : Supporting the creation of mega-farms in 16 African countries. These farms will support small farmers, ensure a market and a price for the production, supply local silos, and potentially provide insurance cover for natural disaster risks.	Regional — Africa
	<i>United States Agency for International Development, UNDP</i> “Agricultural Value Chain Marketplace”: Facilitated new partnerships to improve access to inputs, foods and markets.	Global
	<i>Yara International</i> : Announced an expansion and scaling up of its pilot programme with IFAD in Ghana.	Ghana
	<i>Yara International</i> : Announced a \$60 million investment to build fertilizer terminals in two key African ports in Tanzania and Mozambique, which will improve port efficiencies for agricultural inputs. The port investments are to be a catalyst for a broader, government-endorsed, multi-sector partnership for ports to act as regional hubs, triggering new investments along the value chain to create Agriculture Growth Corridors.	Regional — Africa
	MDG 2 Achieve universal primary education	
	<i>EU</i> : Reaffirmed education commitments in Agenda for Action on MDGs and Joint EU AU Africa Strategy. G-8, along with other donors, will continue efforts to meet estimated US\$ 1 billion shortfall in FTI-endorsed countries.	Global/Africa
	<i>Governments/multi-national companies/charities/NGOs/faith leaders/FIFA</i> : Launched new partnership “The Class of 2015” to reach universal primary education by 2015. Announced funding commitments for education totaling over \$4.5bn, including UK commitment of £50m for the Education For All Fast-Track Initiative. (UK has already pledged £8.5bn for education over 10 years to 2015); World Bank commitment of \$3bn over 2008 and 2009, to support education in over 30 countries; \$205ml from Norway (\$180m over 2 yrs to UNICEF for girls education; \$25m to FTI in 2009); €180ml from Spain over 3 years to the EFA/FTI; \$500ml from Saudi Arabia; \$450ml from Australia; €50ml from France; FIFA will support construction and operation of 20 “Football for Hope” Centers in African countries by 2010. Comic Relief and the UK will announce undertake a new partnership totaling £10ml for children in the UK to raise money for schools education projects in Africa.	Global
	<i>Intel</i> : Commits additional \$6 million for teacher training programmes.	Global

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	<i>The Earth Institute at Columbia University, América Latina en Acción Solidaria:</i> “The children of Latin America: a future without poverty creating equity through early childhood development programmes” raised public awareness.	Global
 MDG 3 Promote gender equality and empower women	<i>Overseas Development Institute, Government of Denmark:</i> “Engendering pro-poor change: putting gender at the heart of the MDGs” examined policy solutions and ways forward to address gender equality.	Global
 MDG 4 Reduce child mortality	<i>Chile, Finland, Tanzania, Family Care International, International Planned Parenthood Federation, Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health, Save the Children-UK, White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood, World Vision International, UK, UK Department for International Development, Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation, Australia:</i> Launched global re-commitment of collaborative efforts to improve health of women and young children and accelerate progress towards MDGs 4-5.	Global
	<i>Grameen Health and Pfizer:</i> Created a partnership to identify sustainable models for health-care delivery. During the first phase, the partnership will: analyse ways to expand and improve the current low-cost, micro-health and insurance programmes at Grameen Health’s 38 existing Kalyan clinics; and, review operating efficiencies and the scope of services at Grameen clinics. At the end of the first phase, the aim is to have created a model for self-sustaining business models for replication in other countries in order to better address the health-care needs of the 4 billion people around the world whose annual income is less than \$3,000. Pfizer is committing key employees to provide technical and advisory support. [Also relates to MDGs 5 and 6].	Bangladesh/Global
	<i>Indonesia/Norway/Country partners:</i> Launched global call to address MDG 4.	Global
	<i>The Global Campaign for Health:</i> Will aim to mobilize an extra \$30bn by 2015 to save 3 million mothers and 7 million newborns. A new task force on Innovative Financing for Health, launched by the UK, Norway, the World Bank (will provide \$200 million over the next three years to help Ethiopia for mothers and children health) and others, will help towards funding over 1 million health workers, and will report to the G-8 next year; £450 million from the UK over the next three years will support national health plans, including for more nurses, midwives and doctors in 8 countries (Ethiopia, Mozambique, Kenya, Zambia, Burundi, Nigeria, Cambodia and Nepal). A further £50 million from the UK was committed to address Neglected Tropical Diseases.	Global
	<i>World Vision:</i> In 2008 is investing approximately \$150 million in cash towards addressing health in programme areas and achieving the MDGs, in particularly MDGs 4 and 5, and is contributing an additional \$300 million in in-kind contributions for medications and health products.	Global

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 <p data-bbox="352 467 548 527">MDG 5 Improve maternal health</p>	<p data-bbox="600 224 1545 284"><i>UN:</i> WFP commits to put together a consortium of leaders to improve nutritional impact targeting key demographics like children.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 224 1728 251">Global</p>
	<p data-bbox="600 305 1629 690"><i>Denmark; Novo Nordisk A/S; the World Diabetes Foundation (WDF); and Global Alliance for Women's Health (GAWH):</i> “Women’s empowerment, diabetes and development” Novo Nordisk to develop screening programmes for gestational diabetes (GDM) among high-risk populations in sub-Saharan Africa (e.g. Tanzania and Zanzibar) starting in 2009, in collaboration with National Diabetes Associations. Novo Nordisk will develop awareness campaign to reverse obesity among women of reproductive age, to start in 2009. WDF committed to financially supporting community-based initiatives that address diabetes and pregnancy in developing countries. GAWH, with the announced support of Novo Nordisk A/S and MSs, the private sector, and civil society, will organize and facilitate 2 policy secretariats (08 to 12): “Council on Women’s Health for the UN” with the aim of producing policy initiatives and monitoring policy; and, a caucus “Friends of the UN Diabetes Resolution” (61/225) to develop suggestions for national policies for the prevention, treatment, and care of diabetes.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 467 1791 527">Global/Latin America</p>
	<p data-bbox="600 711 1518 771"><i>Finland:</i> Joined the International Health Partnership. Agreement between Finland and Mozambique to support IHP compact.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 727 1797 755">Mozambique</p>
	<p data-bbox="600 792 1440 836"><i>Indonesia/Norway/Country partners:</i> Launched global call to address MDG 5.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 792 1728 820">Global</p>
	<p data-bbox="600 857 1623 950"><i>WHO, UNFPA, UNICEF, and the World Bank:</i> Developed a joint framework of responsibilities to work together to ensure universal access to family planning, skilled attendance at birth, and basic and comprehensive emergency obstetric care.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 889 1728 917">Global</p>
	<p data-bbox="600 971 1587 1031"><i>WHO:</i> WHO DG Roundtable Increased personal commitment of women leaders on action to improve maternal health in participating countries.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 987 1728 1015">Global</p>
	<p data-bbox="600 1052 1356 1096"><i>Hewlett Packard and McArthur Foundation:</i> \$100 million for MDG 5.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 1052 1728 1079">Global</p>
 <p data-bbox="352 1109 579 1193">MDG 6 Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases</p>	<p data-bbox="600 1109 1623 1227"><i>Ethiopia, GAVI Alliance, Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, UNAIDS, UNICEF:</i> Examined innovative financing and technologies to address gender, geographic, ethnic and political inequities in access to basic health services and committed to ensuring adequate funding to support these efforts.</p>	<p data-bbox="1650 1157 1728 1185">Global</p>

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	<p>G-8: Commitment to provide US\$ 60 billion to fight infectious diseases and strengthen health over 5 years. G-8 reaffirmation to commitment to universal access to HIV/AIDS treatment by 2010. US commitment to spend up to \$48 billion on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, between 2009 and 2013 (including: \$39 billion for bilateral HIV/AIDS programmes and contributions to the Global Fund; \$5 billion to fight malaria through bilateral programmes around the world; and \$4 billion for bilateral programmes to fight TB). G-8 commitment to support the control or elimination of neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) to reach at least 75% of the people with NTDs. G-8 commitment to provide 100 million anti-malarial bed nets through bilateral and multilateral assistance in partnership with other stakeholders by the end of 2010. EU commitment to 75m more anti-malarial bed nets by 2010.</p>	Global
	<p><i>GAVI Alliance</i>: Raising \$4 billion in bond markets which can be used to finance investments in developing countries.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria</i>: Commitment of US\$ 11 billion to date to fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria through grants to 136 low- and middle-income countries.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Malaria No More and Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS, TB, and Malaria</i>: Launches a campaign to raise \$100 million for Malaria Capital Campaign by 2010.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Ireland and Tanzania, UNAIDS, UN Development Operations Coordination Office</i>: Meeting on UN system coherence to achieve MDG 6. Member States reaffirmed commitments to scale up response to meet the targets for universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Marathon Oil and the Republic of Equatorial Guinea</i>: Commit \$28 million over 5 years to expand a highly successful national malaria programme. The commitment is a lead gift in the Malaria Capital Campaign to raise \$100 million by 2010.</p>	Equatorial Guinea
	<p><i>Mexico, Group of Rio, UNDP, UN ECLAC</i>: “MDGs: Advancing towards health rights in Latin America” released ECLAC-UNDP paper on the situation of health-related MDGs as a basis for action. Representatives of the Latin American and Caribbean countries and of the UN entities working in the region expressed their commitment to redouble their efforts to mobilize the resources and implement the public policies warranted to speed up the achievement of MDGs. Governments pledged to integrate and complement health policies with other policies in the fields of education, nutrition, income, housing and basic social services, among others. Governments and the UN system will work together to address the linkage between inequality of the socio-economic distribution of health determinants, through guaranteeing coverage and universal access to services that are comprehensive, integrated and appropriate.</p>	Global

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	<p><i>UK/Tanzania/Rwanda/Mozambique/Ethiopia/Netherlands/Bangladesh/Togo/DRC/Vanuatu/Guinea/USA/Australia-Vanuatu-Solomon Isles; UN/WHO/UNHCR/WB/OIC/GFATM; Civil Society: Gates Foundation/Roll Back Malaria/Malaria No More/DATA (Bono)/UNF/Malaria Capital Campaign; Faith Groups: United Methodist Church (and founder Nothing but Nets campaign); 19 Entertainment (Simon Fuller), Sesame Workshop/Sumitomo Chemical/BBC World Service/Comic Relief/Jeff Sachs Launch of a Malaria Action Plan, in partnership with Malaria No More/Roll Back Malaria/the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation/UN: The Action Plan points the way towards universal coverage of bed nets and spraying by 2010, and achieving near-zero malaria deaths by 2015. \$3 billion committed to help make this a reality, including \$1.2 billion from the WB for the booster 2 programme helping the poorest countries to meet their malaria reduction targets; \$160 million from the Gates Foundation for vaccine research; \$185 million from UNICEF for bed nets; UNHCR/UNF \$2 million for bed nets; \$200 million from the OIC and a campaign for another \$100 million from the private sector to provide bed nets, sprays and other treatments.</i></p>	Global
	<p><i>UNOP: Launched the “Digital Health Initiative” to accelerate delivery of health-related MDGs. A coalition of UN agencies, private sector partners, civil society and international organizations.</i></p>	Global
	<p>MDG 7 Ensure environmental sustainability</p>	Africa
	<p><i>African Union: Is committed to Green Wall of Sahel initiative.</i></p>	Africa
	<p><i>African Union: Committed to implement Africa EU Partnership to advance common agenda on climate change and land degradation.</i></p>	Africa
	<p><i>African Union (with European Union): Committed to implement Africa EU Partnership on Climate Change to advance common agenda on climate change, land degradation and desertification, including the “Green Wall for the Sahara Partnership”.</i></p>	Africa
	<p><i>Church World Service: “For the healing of nations: international justice dimensions of climate change” identified areas for collaboration among the faith communities.</i></p>	Global
	<p><i>G-8: Committed to at least 50% reduction of global emissions by 2050. G-8 members have thus far pledged to the Climate Investment Funds approximately US\$ 6 billion. G-8 committed to mobilize public and private investments of over US\$ 100 billion for the Clean Energy Investment Framework (CEIF) and increase investment in R&D. G-8 members have so far pledged over the next several years over US\$ 10 billion annually.</i></p>	Global

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	<p><i>Germany, Japan, Netherlands, Tajikistan:</i> Highlighted importance of mobilizing international and national financial resources for the implementation of the national strategies and the need to use sector-wide approaches; development of partnerships with civil society organizations, local authorities and the private sector as well as initiatives to establish a “Framework for Action” to focus on the off-track countries, including consideration for a “Fast Track Initiative” with catalytic funding to install a High-Level Task Force to reach MDG 7, and to make one annual global progress report and to hold one annual high-level review meeting.</p>	
	<p>Japan committed to establish a Water Security Action Team for Africa to provide safe drinking water for 6.5 million people and implement a water supply capacity-building programme that would train 5,000 people over the next five years. Tajikistan committed to host the International Freshwater Forum in 2010 as a venue for a preliminary discussion within the International Decade. The Netherlands committed to provide access to safe drinking water and sanitation for at least 50 million people by 2015; having already signed various agreements that will benefit almost 30 million people, at a cost of around €1.3 b. Germany committed to continue to train Central Asia water experts. The Netherlands and the United Kingdom committed €106m in joint funding for water and sanitation initiatives in developing countries over the next five years.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change:</i> Examined climate change and implications for the achievement of the MDGs.</p>	Global
	<p><i>International Union for the Conservation of Nature, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, UNDP, UNEP, World Bank, OECD/DAC, The World Resources Institute:</i> “Environment, climate change and the MDGs: reshaping the development agenda” secured commitments among key stakeholders on actions to improve environmental management for the achievement of the MDGs.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Norway (with FAO, UNDP and UNEP):</i> Financing initial phase of the UN (Reduced Emissions from Deforestation and Forest degradation (REDD) Programme with 35 million USD. UN REDD will assist developing countries to develop national REDD strategies, monitor forest cover and carbon stocks, build capacity, and implement pilot projects on forest management that maintain ecosystem services of forests and maximize carbon stocks, while delivering community and livelihood benefits.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Norway:</i> Committed to contribute up to 1 billion USD to Amazon Fund for reducing deforestation in the Amazon. * [Commitment made on 16/9/2008]</p>	Amazon
	<p><i>UK and the Netherlands:</i> Support for the Framework For Action including £5 million (€6 million) to monitor progress through an annual report and an annual high-level meeting and £85 million (€100 million) to support up to 20 countries to develop and implement national water and sanitation plans.</p>	Global

UK/Bangladesh/Netherlands/Switzerland/UNF: “Climate change and development: progress on finance and adaptation” Bangladesh committed \$35.0 M domestic resources for implementation of Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan; UK provided \$150.0 M for implementation of Bangladesh Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan; Switzerland proposed adaptation funding through international carbon dioxide emission levy of 2 USD per ton; World Bank (financed by UK, Netherlands, Switzerland) to conduct a study on the Economics of Adaptation to Climate Change \$8.0 M; Japan contributed \$1.2 B to Climate Investment Fund of the World Bank (total commitment by G-8 countries is \$6.0 B; Japan to establish Partnership Climate Change Investment, \$10.0 B; Norway proposed reserving emission rights for international auctioning, with proceeds used for adaptation financing through international organizations; Norway (with FAO, UNEP, UNDP) to finance and conduct pilot project on Reduced Emissions from Deforestation in Developing Countries; Republic of Korea proposed giving carbon credit to developing countries for implementing nationally appropriate climate change mitigation actions; Mexico proposed establishing international green fund.

Global

UN-Energy (DESA, UNDP, UNIDO): The Global Environment Facility (GEF) announced a Strategic Programme for West Africa in excess of \$100 m to address energy, biodiversity and Persistent Organic Pollutants. The energy component (energy access, energy efficiency, renewable energy, urban transport) will be about \$45 m. Some 26 concrete projects have been identified for further development through a consultative and demand driven process with active participation of the countries. The programme is being developed with UN-Energy and it will be operational in 18 countries.

Global

UNICEF: Committed to host the first annual high-level meeting on drinking water and sanitation in 2009.

Global



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European Commission, Economic Community of West African States: In the context of the European Initiative “Mobilizing European research for development policies”, a first research paper titled “*Millennium Development Goals at Midpoint: Where do we stand, and where do we need to go?*” has been produced with the aim to situate the ongoing efforts to fulfil MDGs commitments within the broader context of the changing world economy. It will be part of the European Report on Development (ERD), a research-led review of development issues, to be published in 2009.

Global

EU: EU members reconfirmed commitments to increase aid flows to EU target of 0.56% of GNI by 2010 and to 0.7% of GNI by 2015. EU will follow through on Accra agreement to improve aid effectiveness, by enhancing predictability in aid flows, better distribution of labour between donors to be more responsive to recipients and better alignment of aid to national priorities and needs. EU will continue to improve policy coherence for development (PCD) in the 12 areas identified in 2005

Global

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	<p><i>African countries with UNEP and WHO:</i> Interministerial conference on health and environment in Africa, August 2008 which will be followed by a second one in 2010 which committed to the establishment of a health-and-environment strategic alliance, as the basis for plans of joint action, developing or updating African national, subregional and regional frameworks in order to address more effectively the issue of environmental impacts on health, through integration of these links in policies, strategies, regulations and national development plans.</p>	Africa
	<p><i>Business:</i> Four companies endorsed the CEO Water Mandate (Hong Kong Beijing Air, Arup Group, Finlay International, Talal Abu-Ghazaleh Organization).</p>	Global
	<p><i>Louise T Blouin Foundation, UN Office for Partnerships:</i> “Global Creative Leadership Summit” Launched the LINK Project, an online project that seeks to create a search engine and online network to connect philanthropic institutions, NGOs and other non-for-profits, as a way for NGOs to find analogous projects within particular global regions in order to decrease overlap, develop partnerships and to maximize efficiency. Partnership between Philips Lighting and the Government of the Netherlands on the first stages of the Sustainable Energy Solutions for All Partnership in Ghana.</p>	Global
	<p><i>MDG-NGO Convening Group, Caritas International, in partnership with World Council of Churches, Presbyterian UN Office, World Conference Religions for Peace, Save the Children International, Council on American Islamic Relations, Bread for the World, Micah Challenge, SOS Kinderdorf International, Mercy International, Civicus, Lutheran Office of World Community, Ba’hai:</i> “Interfaith and NGO investments in the MDGs for systematic change” Promoted partnerships amongst global, civil and local leaders from all sectors. Analysed systemic change and new policies by partners and investments to meet the MDG targets. Encouraged NGO commitments to challenge both governments and civil society to fulfill promises.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Oxfam, Save the Children, Comic Relief:</i> In my name project launch of global public interactive mobilization on the MDGs. Launched new campaign, in my name, to harness the best of interactive technology and popular culture to engage ordinary people around the world in the fight to end extreme poverty. Release of a new song written by music star Will.i.am, downloadable on inmyname.com.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Parliamentarians of Global Action:</i> Forced migration, Mitigation and the MDGs. Facilitated new partnerships to work with parliamentarians toward achieving the MDGs, and to strengthen existing partnerships.</p>	Global

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	<p><i>Spain/United Kingdom/Norway:</i> To launch expansion of Delivering as One UN window of the MDG Achievement Fund. This is additional to current window of US\$ 75 million for the One UN Funds of the eight pilot countries. An expanded governance system will also be put in place. Government of Guatemala will provide free public health and school fees; Spain committed €200 ml for the One-UN in the MDG-F and €110 m to “Delivering as One”, an expanded multi-donor funding window in the MDG-F; UK committed £40 m over 2 years.</p>	Global
	<p><i>UBUNTU Forum Secretariat, UN Millennium Campaign, NGO Working Group on Currency Transaction Tax for Financing for Development:</i> To achieve the MDGs: Currency transaction tax for financing for development. Raised awareness towards the inscription of a Currency Transaction Tax within the process of the Review of the Monterrey Consensus, completed in Doha in December 2008.</p>	Global
	<p><i>UK, UNDP, International Business Leaders Forum, International Chamber of Commerce:</i> “World Business and development awards” raised awareness on poverty alleviation and encouraged action among private sector actors. WBDA highlighted the need for companies to be innovative in altering their business models so as to have a greater developmental impact. MAP International, selected as one of the 2008 Business Call to Action Awardees, committed to roll out its network beyond the pilot phase of 50,000 users in Uganda to more than 2 million citizens over the next two years. This roll-out will include incorporating 4,000 agent access points, 8,000 saccoes, and 15,000 merchant locations into the map network.</p>	Global
	<p><i>Global Catalyst Partners:</i> Commit to create a campaign for the MDGs with a view to make the goals known to the general population.</p>	Global

¹ List of additional and ongoing commitments/initiatives. Complete submissions are available at <http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/2008highlevel/index.shtml>.

² Based on information provided by the UN Office for Partnership.