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Honouring Outstanding Staff Initiatives

**SCRIPT OF THE UN 21 AWARDS CEREMONY  
FRIDAY, 11 JULY 2008 AT 9:30 A.M.  
IN DAG HAMMARSKJÖLD AUDITORIUM**

**First row:** Lena Dissin (Moderator, UN21 Awards Ceremony), Secretary-General & accompanying staff, Yohannes Mengesha (Chairperson), USGs: DESA, DGACM, DPI, DM, DPKO, Panel Members: Soon-Hong Choi, Rashid Khalikov, Karina Gerlach, Alice Hecht (Panel Member), and Promela Suri (Project Manager)

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Ms. Dissin opens the ceremony and introduces the Chairperson of the Panel.

Mr. Mengesha gives **Welcoming Statement**.

Mr. Mengesha invites the Secretary-General, and steps aside.

Secretary-General steps to podium to give **Remarks**.

Ms. Dissin thanks the SG and starts to announce the winners.

SG is directed towards the left side of the stage (by the piano) for presentation of awards.

Mr. Mengesha returns to his seat.

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**[CURTAINS OPEN]**

Ms. Dissin starts to announce the **WINNERS from Away from Headquarters (Winners from UNEP, UNODC & UNIFIL are expected to attend via video-conference. Their awards & commendation certificates will be sent to them by pouch):**

**AWARDS**

Ms. Dissin announces **UNEP** project team – calls the name of the representative of the team to come on stage and the SG presents the award to the awardee.

The Billion Tree Campaign (UNEP)  
(*Substantive Programmes*)

**(1 representative)**  
**(via VC, Nairobi)**

*Photo op: SG and the awardee  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardee return)*

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Ms. Dissin announces the second **UNEP** project team [Mr. Steiner and winners expected to attend via video-conference].

Indian Solar Loan Programme (UNEP)  
**Paris)**  
(Field projects)

(via VC-UNEP,

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Ms. Dissin announces the second **UNODC** project team:

National Drug Control Programme (UNODC)  
(Substantive Programmes)

(via VC - Vienna)

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Ms. Dissin announces **UNODC** project – calls the name of the representative of the team to come on stage and the SG presents the award to the awardee.

On-line Clearance for Separating Staff (UNODC)  
(Process Reengineering)  
**Vienna)**

(1 recipient @HQ)  
(via VC-

*Photo op: SG and the awardee*  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardee return)

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## COMMENDATIONS

Ms. Dissin announces **DPKO/UNIFIL** project – calls the name of the team members present at the ceremony to receive the Commendation certificate from the SG.

Rapid Response to the 2006 Lebanon Conflict (DPKO/UNIFIL)  
(Field-based Projects)

(2 recipients @HQ)  
(via VC- Lebanon)

*Photo op: SG and the awardees*  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardees return)

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Ms. Dissin announces **ESCAP** project – calls the name of the representative of the team to come on stage and the SG presents the Commendation certificate to the awardee.

Common IT Learning Initiative (ESCAP)  
(Improvements in Working Environment/Staff Morale)

(1 recipient)

*Photo op: SG and the awardee*  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardee return)

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Ms. Dissin announces the **UNEP** project [Mr. Steiner and winners expected to attend via video-conference. Also, the team is based in UNEP, Paris and UNEP, Shiga Office]

Environmental Management of the Iraqi Marshlands (UNEP)  
(Field projects)  
**Shiga)**

(via VC – Paris &

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Ms. Dissin announces the **UNODC** project:

The Pre-Export Notification (PEN) System (UNODC)  
*(Substantive Programmes & Process Reengineering)*

(via VC – Vienna)

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Ms. Dissin announces the other **UNODC** project:

The Mobile Office (UNODC)  
*(Improvements in Working Environment/Staff Morale)*

(via VC – Vienna)

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[CURTAINS CLOSE]

Ms. Dissin now announces the **WINNERS at Headquarters:**

### AWARDS

Ms. Dissin announces **DESA** project – calls the names of the awardees to come on stage and the SG presents the awards to the awardees.

**Paperless Committee System**  
*(Award – Process Reengineering)*

(2 recipients)

*Photo op: SG and the awardees  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardees return)*

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Ms. Dissin announces **DGACM** project – calls the names of the awardees to come on stage and the SG presents the awards to the awardees.

**UNTERM – United Nations Terminology Database**  
*(Award – Knowledge Management)*

(11 recipients)

*Photo op: SG and the awardees  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardees return)*

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Ms. Dissin announces **DM** projects – calls the names of the awardees to come on stage and the SG presents the awards to the awardees.

**Global Contact Directory**  
*(Award –Improvements in Working Environment/Staff Morale)*

(15 recipients)

*Photo op: SG and the awardees  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardees return)*

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Ms. Dissin announces **DPA** project – calls the names of the awardees to come on stage and the SG presents the awards to the awardees.

**Peacemaking Databank** (22 recipients)  
(Award – Knowledge Management)

*Photo op: SG and the awardees*  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardees return)

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Ms. Dissin announces **DPI** project – calls the name of the awardees to come on stage and the SG presents the awards to the awardees.

**i-Seek, the Primary Internal Communication Tool** (16 recipients)  
(Award –Improvements in Working Environment/Staff Morale)

*Photo op: SG and the awardees*  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardees return)

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Ms. Dissin announces **DM** project – calls the name of the awardee to come on stage and the SG presents the award to the awardee.

**United Nations Recycling Programme** (1 recipient)  
(Commendation –Process Reengineering)

*Photo op: SG and the awardee*  
(Photographer takes pictures – and the awardee returns)

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Ms. Dissin thanks SG for doing the honours.

Ms. Dissin invites the attending Evaluation Team Members on stage for a group photo-op with the SG. (6 members)

Ms. Dissin then invites the High Level Panel Members, Coordinator (self) and Project Manager on the stage for a group photo-op with the SG. (7 members)

At the end, a call for a round of applause for winners and all others involved in the UN21 Awards Programme.

