



CSD TODAY

Friday, 9 May 2008



OFFICIAL SESSION

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	10:00 – 1:00	Conf. Room 2 Parallel	<p style="text-align: center;">Thematic Discussions: <u>Inter-linkages and all cross-cutting issues</u></p> <p>Interactive discussions led-off by a panel of UN agencies, funds, programmes, IGOs, and Major Groups, etc.</p> <p>Discussions should be as specific as possible and focus on (i) identifying obstacles and constraints; (ii) lessons learned and best practices; as well as (iii) next steps. Delegates are invited to address, inter alia, the following issues in an integrated and balanced manner, taking into account linkages with other thematic issues and with cross-cutting issues, including means of implementation:</p> <p>Addressing the social, economic and environmental dimensions of the thematic issues and their inter-linkages, as well as national, regional and global characteristics, with a view to enhancing coherence and consistence in implementation of all cross-cutting issues, including the means of implementation</p> <p><u>Panellists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Peter McPherson, former President of University of Michigan and Administrator of USAID • Prof. Cleophas Migiro, Director, Cleaner Production Center of Tanzania • Ms. Mona Elisabeth Brøther, Ambassador, MFA, Norway • Ms. Nadine Gouzée, Head of the Task Force on Sustainable Development of the Belgian Federal Planning Bureau <p><i>(Note: the above-listed issues are intended to facilitate discussions only and are not meant to be an exhaustive list)</i></p> <p>An oral summary will be provided by the Chair of the session.</p>

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	4:30 – 6:00		<p>Dialogue with Major Groups and Representatives of Partnerships Initiatives</p> <p>This dialogue session provides an opportunity for a focused discussion on the role of Major Groups and the role of implementing Partners in promoting action in implementation in relation to the thematic cluster.</p>

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PARTNERSHIPS FAIR

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All Day	Neck Area (Partnerships Fair Information Desks)			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vinyl 2010 • CGIAR – Harvest Plus • Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) 			
	A.M.	Partnerships Presentations		
		10:00 – 10:55	Conf. Room 6	Vinyl 2010
11:00 – 11:55		Marrakech Task Force “Cooperation with Africa”		
12:00 – 12:55	Sustainable Agriculture and rural Development Initiative (SARD): Collaborations of Major Groups and governments to advance SARD			

LEARNING CENTRE

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A.M.	10:00 – 1:00	Conf. Room B	Linking Sustainable Land Management and Climate Change – Processes, Policies and Actions Sponsor: UNCCD
P.M.	3:00 – 6:00	Conf. Room B	Innovative technologies for sound decision making in water resources management, including the water-energy nexus Sponsor: IAEA

SIDE EVENTS

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P.M.	1:15-2:45	Conf. Room 2	Dialogue on the Sustainability of African Cities Organized by: ICLEI -Africa
	1:15-2:45	Conf. Room B	Land for Sustainable Urbanization in Africa Organized by: Women Environmental Programme and Global Land Tool Network
	1:15-2:45	Conf. Room 4	Land-use, Water, Energy and Sustainable Development Organized by: International Atomic Energy Agency
	1:15-2:45	Conf. Room 6	National Reporting to the CSD lessons learned to improve future reporting Organized by: Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade - Canada
	6:15-7:45	Conf. Room 2	Digital Agricultural Information Services for Sustainable Development Organized by: National Agricultural Library
	6:15-7:45	DHLA	Biofuels, Food Security and Rural Development Organized by: Citizens Network for Sustainable Development
	6:15-7:45	Conf. Room 6	How Agro-Industries can help eradicate poverty Organized by: United Nations Industrial Development Organization

*Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

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CSD RELATED EVENTS

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A.M.	8:30 - 2:30	Church Center 777 U N Plaza - 2nd Floor	Workshop - Growing Insecurity: Land and Vulnerable People Organized by: IFAD, International Land Coalition
	10:00 - 5:00	UN Visitors Lobby	Natural World Museum International Art Exhibition: Art, Attitudes & Environment Organized by: UN DPI, UNEP, Natural World Museum
	10:00 - 5:00	North East Gallery, Visitors' Lobby, UNHQ	Hard Rain - Our Headlong Collision with Nature: Photographs illustrating climate change, poverty and the sixth great extinction Co-sponsored by Still Pictures, UNEP and UNDP

MAJOR GROUPS MEETINGS

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A.M.	8.00 - 9.00	Conf. Room A	Youth and Children
	9.00 - 10.00	Conf. Room A	NGOs informational meeting
	10.00 - 11.00	Conf. Room A	Freshwater Action Network
	11.00 - 12.00	Conf. Room A	Scientific and Technological Community
P.M.	12.00 - 13.00	Conf. Room A	Local Authorities
		UN Cafeteria	Energy (raised area centre main cafeteria)
	13.00 - 14.00	Conf. Room A	Indigenous People
	14.00 - 15.00	Conf. Room A	Farmers
	15.00 - 16.00	Conf. Room A	Business and Industry
	16.00 - 17.00	Conf. Room A	Drylands
	17.00 - 18.00	Conf. Room A	Workers and Trade Unions
	18.00 - 19.00	Conf. Room A	NGOs review strategy meeting
19.00 - 20.00			

To cancel Conference Room A for an NGO or Major Group caucus, please send an e-mail to: silverio-ruffing@un.org by 4:00 p.m. the preceding day. At this time, no additional time slots are available in Conference A for caucus meetings.

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