ECOSOC Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the UN development system in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Delivering the 2030 Agenda: The role of the UN development system in middle-income countries [26 May 2016, ECOSOC Chamber]

Programme

10.00 – 10.10 a.m. Opening  
H.E. Mr. Alejandro Palma Cerna, Vice-President of ECOSOC

10.10 – 10.15 a.m. Introduction by Moderator  
Mr. John McArthur, Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution

10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Delivering the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in middle-income countries: Eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions  
Mr. Jonathan Glennie, Visiting Fellow, International Development Institute, King’s College, and Director of Policy and Research, Save the Children UK (via video-link)

10:30 – 11:00 a.m. Moving towards a tailored approach for increasingly diverse capacities and ever-changing needs: Member States’ priorities and challenges in different country contexts  
- H.E. Mr. Carlos Alvarado Quesada, Minister of Labor and Social Security of Costa Rica (via video-link)  
- H.E. Ms. Lourdes Ortiz Yparraguirre, Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations

11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Eradicating poverty and reducing inequality: leaving no-one behind in all country settings  
- Mr. Pedro Conceição, Director of Strategic Policy, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, UNDP, on behalf of the UN Development Group  
- Ms. Maria del Carmen Sacasa, UN Resident Coordinator, Peru (via video-link)

11:30 a.m. – 12:55 p.m. General discussion and responses from panellists

12:55 – 13:00 p.m. Summary of discussions by Moderator  
Mr. John McArthur, Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution

LUNCH BREAK

3.00 – 3.05 p.m. Resuming of session  
H.E. Mr. Alejandro Palma Cerna, Vice-President of ECOSOC
3.05 – 3.10 p.m. **Introduction by Moderator**
Mr. John McArthur, Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution

3:10 – 3:25 p.m. **The role of the UN development system to deliver the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in middle-income countries: The way forward based on lessons learned**
Ms. Adriana Abdenur, Fellow, Igarapé Institute, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

3:25 – 3:55 p.m. **Member States’ experiences and perspectives on the way forward in dealing with existing and emerging challenges: How should the UN development system reposition itself**
- Ms. Ana Maria Romero, Chief for International Affairs, Ministry of Planning, Colombia
- H.E Mr. Andrei Dapkiunas, Permanent Representative of Belarus to the United Nations

3:55 – 4:25 p.m. **Adapting strategies of the UN development system: The work at headquarters and in the field**
- Mr. Harold Robinson, Chief, Post 2015 Development Agenda Branch, Division of Governance and Multilateral Affairs, UNFPA
- Mr. Simon Springett, UN Resident Coordinator, Mauritius

4:25 – 5:45 p.m. **General discussion and responses from panellists**

5:45 – 5:55 p.m. **Summary of discussions by Moderator**
Mr. John McArthur, Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution

5:55 – 6:00 p.m. **Closing remarks**
H.E. Mr. Alejandro Palma Cerna, Vice-President of ECOSOC