

**Economic and Social Council
2007 High-Level Segment**

**Official Launch
Development Cooperation Forum
Geneva, 5 July 2007**

Programme

9:30 am -11:00 am

Plenary session

Opening remarks

Dalius Čekuolis, President of ECOSOC

Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations

Statements from interest groups

11:00 am -1:00 pm

Roundtables (parallel)

1. Promoting greater coherence among development activities of different development partners: *the role of national aid coordination and management*

Chair: Léo Mérorès, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa

Panelists: Zakia Meghji, Minister of Finance, Tanzania
Le Hoai Trung, Director-General, International Organizations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Viet Nam
Olav Kjørven, Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau for Development Policy, UNDP
Julian Lob-Levyt, Executive Secretary, GAVI Alliance and Chief Executive Officer, GAVI Fund, Geneva

Lead discussant: Irene Freudenschuss-Reichl, Director-General, Department for Development Cooperation, Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs, Austria

2. Review of trends in international development cooperation: *South-South and triangular cooperation*¹

Chair: Hilario G. Davide, Jr., Vice-President of ECOSOC

Moderator: Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General, UNDESA

Panelists: Munir Akram, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations and Chair, Group of 77 and China

Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD

Richard Manning, Chair, OECD/DAC

Björn Stigson, President, World Business Council for Sustainable Development, Geneva

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Special Events

1:15 pm – 3:00 pm **Informal policy dialogues** (parallel - by invitation only)

1. *“Strengthening national capacities and leadership in the partnership with donors?”*
(co-hosted with the Swiss Government)

Moderator: Walter Fust, Director-General, Swiss Agency for
Development Cooperation

Lead discussant: Victor Bernardo, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Planning
and Development, Mozambique

2. *“The role of civil society, legislative bodies and other stakeholders in promoting improved aid quality, including monitoring and reporting on results”*
(co-hosted with the Inter-Parliamentary Union)

Moderator: Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General
for Economic Development, UNDESA

Lead discussants: Epiphane P.B. Quenum, MP, National Assembly of
Benin

Ramesh Singh, Chief Executive, ActionAid
International

3:15 pm – 5:15 pm **Stakeholder forum**

“How can the DCF promote enhanced oversight of aid commitments and aid effectiveness for the realization of the internationally agreed development goals?”

Moderator: Rebecca Kadaga, Deputy Speaker, Parliament of
Uganda

Panelists: Olav Kjørven, Assistant Administrator and Director,
Bureau for Development Policy, UNDP

Chitriya Pinthong, Ambassador and Director-
General, Thailand International Cooperation Agency

Kumi Naidoo, Chief Executive Officer, CIVICUS -
World Alliance for Citizen Participation

Carlos Braga, Head, International Policy and
Partnership Group, World Bank