Programme of meetings and agenda

Friday, 5 July 2013

Economic and Social Council
Substantive session of 2013

Coordination segment

10:00 to 13:00

22nd meeting

Conference Room XIX

Opening of the segment

Opening statement by His Excellency Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali Osman (Sudan), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

Regional cooperation (E/2013/15, E/2013/15/Add.1, E/2013/15/Add.2, E/2013/16, E/2013/17, E/2013/18, E/2013/19, E/2013/20 and E/2013/21) [item 10]

Introduction of the report of the Secretary-General

Dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions on the theme “Regional perspectives on the post-2015 development agenda”

Panellists:

Ms. Rima Khalaf, Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Mr. Carlos Lopes, Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa

Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Coordinator of the Regional Commissions and Executive Secretary, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Ms. Antonio Prado, Deputy Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

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Mr. Andrey Vasilyev, Deputy Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Europe

Interactive discussion

Action on the recommendations contained in documents E/2013/15/Add.1 and E/2013/15/Add.2

15:00 to 18:00  23rd meeting     Conference Room XIX

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (E/2013/56) [item 4]

Introduction of the report

Panel discussion on “Partnerships for productive capacity and decent work”

Opening remarks:
His Excellency Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali Osman (Sudan), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

Moderator:
Ms. Marcia Poole, Director of the Department of Communications, International Labour Organization

Panellists:
Mr. Gilbert Fossou Houngbo, Deputy Director-General for Field Operations and Partnership, International Labour Organization

Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Director-General for Economic and Social Development, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Ms. Sigrid Kaag, Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations Development Programme

Mr. Antonio Prado, Deputy Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

Discussants:
Ms. Anita Bhatia, Director, Partnerships and Advisory Services Operations, International Finance Corporation (IFC) of the World Bank Group

Ms. María Paz Anzorreguy, Senior Policy Adviser, International Organization of Employers

Interactive discussion

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**Other meetings**

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**Friday, 5 July 2013**

**Group of 77 (on the 2013 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)**

15:00 to 18:00  Closed meeting  Conference Room XXIV

**Forthcoming official meetings**

**Monday, 8 July 2013**

**Economic and Social Council**

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*Coordination segment*

10:00 to 13:00  24th meeting  Conference Room XIX

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (E/2013/56) [item 4]

*Panel discussion on “Using human rights instruments and ILO standards and recommendations to achieve decent work for all”*

*Opening remarks:*
His Excellency Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali Osman (Sudan), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

*Moderator:*
Dr. Sarah Cook, Director, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

*Panellists:*
Mr. Guy Ryder, Director-General, International Labour Organization
Ms. Geeta Rao Gupta, Deputy Executive Director, United Nations International Children’s Fund
Mr. Wellington Chibebe, Deputy General Secretary, International Trade Union Confederation
Mr. Roberto Suárez Santos, Deputy Secretary-General, International Organization of Employers
Mr. Niklas Bruun, Member, Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Discussant:
Mr. Craig Mokhiber, Chief, Development and Economic and Social Issues Branch, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Interactive discussion

15:00 to 18:00  25th meeting  Conference Room XIX

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (E/2013/56) [item 4]

General discussion

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations, convened by the vice-presidency of the Council (Sudan), on the draft resolution on the role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (under agenda item 4), will be held on Monday, 8 July 2013, from 13:30 to 15:00, in Conference Room XXVII.

Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the 2013 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council is contained in document E/2013/100. The meetings under this header are closed.

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Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “United Nations Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases” (under agenda item 7 (g)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Monday, 8 July 2013, from 09:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room XXVII.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution on financing for development (under agenda item 6 (a)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Monday, 8 July 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room XXV; and

Wednesday, 10 July 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room XXV.
Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 4 July 2013

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20th meeting

Thematic discussion on “The contribution of the Economic and Social Council to the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda as a principal body for policy review, policy dialogue and recommendations on issues of economic and social development and for the follow-up to the Millennium Development Goals” [item 2 (c)]

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Panel I: “Shaping the post-2015 development agenda”

The President of the Council (Colombia) opened the panel discussion and made a statement.

The panel discussion was moderated by Mr. David Steven, Senior Fellow and Associate Director, Center for International Cooperation, New York University, United States.

Presentations were made by the Co-Chairs of the United Nations Task Team on the Post-2015 United Nations Development Agenda: Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs; and Ms. Helen Clark, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme.

Statements were made by the following panellists: Mr. Anthony Mothae Maruping, Commissioner for Economic Affairs, African Union Commission; The Honourable François-Xavier de Donnéa, Inter-Parliamentary Union, and member of the Chamber of Representatives, Belgium; and Ms. Amina Mohammed, United Nations Secretary-General’s Special Adviser on Post-2015 Development Planning.

The moderator made comments and posed questions, to which the presenters and panellists responded.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which His Excellency Michael Anderson, Prime Minister’s Special Envoy for Post-2015 United Nations Development Agenda, United Kingdom, and Dr. Ann Aerts, Head of the Novartis Foundation for Sustainable Development, as discussants, made statements.

A statement was also made by Her Excellency Bénédicte Frankinet, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations in New York and co-facilitator of the informal consultations on the further review of the implementation of the General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Council.

The representatives of Nepal, Croatia, China, Austria, Benin, Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Canada and Ecuador, as well as the observers for Finland, Germany, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Italy, made comments and posed questions.

The observer for the European Union also made comments and posed questions.

The lead presenters and the panellists responded to the comments made and the questions raised by delegations.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the President of the Council (Colombia).
20th meeting (parallel)  

High-level segment [item 2]  

General debate  

The Council continued its general debate of the high-level segment and heard statements by Mr. Néstor Cruz Toruño, Deputy Permanent Representative of Nicaragua to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva; His Excellency Adelakun Ayoko, Deputy Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva; Ms. Berna Kasnakli, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva; Mr. Edgardo Toro, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva; and Mr. Salvador Tinajero, Legal Adviser, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva.  

His Excellency Archbishop Silvano M. Tomasi, Permanent Observer for the Holy See to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, also made a statement.  

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations, in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: International Federation for Home Economics; International Federation of University Women; Academic Council on the United Nations System; Centro di Ricerca e Documentazione Febbraio 74; Gazeteciler ve Yazarlar Vakfı; International Federation for Family Development; World Jewellery Confederation; Convention of Independent Financial Advisors; Women’s Health and Education Organization; Organisation mondiale des associations pour l’éducation prénatale; Assemblea delle Donne per lo Sviluppo e la Lotta Contro l’Esclusione Sociale; Child Helpline International; Internet Society; Manavata; Organisation pour la communication en Afrique et de promotion de la coopération économique internationale; ONG Hope International; International Ontopsychology Association; and Unión de Asociaciones Familiares.  

The Council thus concluded its general debate.  

Organization of work  

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Austria).  

21st meeting  

Thematic discussion on “The contribution of the Economic and Social Council to the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda as a principal body for policy review, policy dialogue and recommendations on issues of economic and social development and for the follow-up to the Millennium Development Goals” [item 2 (c)]  

Panel II: “Follow-up to the post-2015 development agenda”  

The President of the Council (Colombia) opened the panel discussion.  

The discussion was moderated by Mr. David Steven, Senior Fellow and Associate Director, Center for International Cooperation, New York University, United States.  

The presenters were His Excellency Minelik Alemu Getahun, Permanent Representative of Ethiopia to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other international organizations; and His Excellency Martin Dahinden, Director of the Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation.
The panellists were Mr. John McArthur, Senior Fellow at Fung Global Institute, United Nations Foundation and Brookings Institution; and Ms. Bernadette Fischler, Policy Analyst (post-MDGs), CAFOD, The official Catholic aid agency for England and Wales.

The discussants were Her Excellency Faeqa Saeed Alsaleh, Assistant Secretary-General, League of Arab States; and Mr. Klaus Rudischhauser, Deputy Director General, EuropeAid, European Commission.

Following the statements by the moderator, the presenters and the panellists, the discussants made statements as a lead up to the ensuing interactive discussion. A statement was also made by His Excellency Yaya Olaniran, Chair of the Committee on World Food Security.

In the ensuing interactive discussion, interventions were made by the representatives of South Africa, Mexico, the Russian Federation, Gabon and Nigeria.

A statement was also made by the observer for the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Telecommunication Union.

The panellists and presenters responded to the comments made and the questions raised by delegations as well as those raised by the moderator and the discussants.

Organization of work

The President of the Council made a statement and suspended the high-level segment.

Information for participants

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List of speakers

The lists of speakers for all segments are indicated below. If no specific reference is made to a list of speakers, it implies that no such list is being maintained. The lists are open for inscription. The deadlines for inscription are indicated in the relevant paragraphs below. Requests for inscription on the lists of speakers should be sent, in writing, indicating the full name and title of speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org; or fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). The time limit set for statements under the general debate of the high-level segment is seven minutes and five minutes for all other segments.
Operational activities segment (10–12 July)
[Item 3 and sub-items (a), (b) and (c) of the provisional agenda]

The operational activities segment will begin at 10:00 on Wednesday, 10 July, with opening statements. During the segment, there will be a number of interactive panel discussions. The general discussion of agenda item 3 as a whole will be held in the morning and afternoon of Friday, 12 July. A list of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of agenda item 3. Inscription on the list of speakers will close by 17:00 on Thursday, 11 July.

A detailed programme of the operational activities segment is available on the website of the Council (click here).

Informal event to discuss the transition from relief to development (15 July (morning))

An interactive panel discussion to discuss the transition from relief to development (Council decision 2013/213) on the topic “Supporting national priorities in a process of transition from relief to development: United Nations delivering as one”, will be held in the morning of Monday, 15 July, and will be open to all interested participants. There will be no established list of speakers.

Humanitarian affairs segment (15 July (afternoon)–17 July)
[Item 5 of the provisional agenda]

The humanitarian affairs segment will begin at 15:00 on Monday, 15 July, with opening statements. During the segment, there will be two interactive panel discussions. The general discussion of agenda item 5 will be held in the afternoons of Monday, 15 July, and Wednesday, 17 July. A list of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of the item. Inscription on the list of speakers for any of the above dates will close by 17:00 of the preceding day.

General segment (18-25 July)
[Items 6–15 of the provisional agenda]

The general segment will begin at 10:00 on Thursday, 18 July, and will continue until Thursday, 25 July. Lists of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of the items under the segment. Inscription on the list of speakers will close by 17:00 on the day before the general discussion of the item.

A detailed programme of the general segment is available on the website of the Council (click here).

Conclusion of work (26 July)

The Council will conclude the work of its substantive session of 2013 on Friday, 26 July.

Registration and accreditation

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List of participants

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Side events

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