



12 July 2013

## United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Humanitarian Affairs Segment

15 to 17 July 2013, Geneva – ECOSOC Chamber

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

## **The future of humanitarian affairs: Towards greater inclusiveness, coordination, interoperability and effectiveness**

**Monday, 15 July**

**Morning session**

10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

**Economic and Social Council event to discuss transition from relief to development – “Supporting national priorities in a process of transition from relief to development: UN delivering as one”**

*Chairs:*

H.E. Ambassador Ferit Hoxha, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

H.E. Ambassador Masood Khan, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

*Moderator:*

Ms. Debbie Landey, Director, United Nations Development Operations Coordination Office (DOCO)

*Panelists:*

- H.E. Mr. Sebastian T. Muah, Deputy Minister of Finance, Republic of Liberia
- H.E. Mr. Jose D. Almendras, Secretary, Cabinet of the Republic of the Philippines
- Mr. Aeneas C. Chuma, Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator in Liberia
- Ms. Luiza Carvalho, Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator in the Philippines

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**Monday, 15 July**

**Afternoon session**

3.00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**Opening session and general debate**

- Opening remarks by the Vice-President of ECOSOC
- Introduction of the Secretary-General's Report by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs
- Start of the general debate

**Tuesday, 16 July**

**Morning session**

10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

**Panel discussion: Reducing vulnerability, improving capacities and managing risks: an approach for humanitarian and development actors to work together**

*Chair:*

H.E. Ambassador Masood Khan, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

*Moderator:*

Ms. Valerie Amos, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

*Panelists:*

- Mr. Sukiman Mochtar Pratomo, Founder of Lintas Merapi Community Radio, Central Java, Indonesia
- Mr. Muhammad Idrees, Director, Disaster Risk Reduction, Pakistan National Disaster Management Authority
- Dr. Nick Bostrom, Director of Future of Humanity Institute and Director of the Programme on the Impacts of Future Technology, Oxford University, United Kingdom
- Mr. Claus Sorensen, Director-General, ECHO, Brussels, Belgium

**Wednesday, 17 July**      **Morning session**

10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.      **Panel discussion: Promoting humanitarian innovation for improved response**

*Chair:*

H.E. Ambassador Masood Khan, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

*Moderator:*

Ms. Valerie Amos, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

*Panelists:*

- Mr. Mohamed Osman, Managing Director, Star FM, Nairobi, Kenya
- Ms. Wendy Harman, Information Management and Situational Awareness, Domestic Disaster Services, American Red Cross, Washington, D.C., United States of America
- Ms. Elizabeth Rasmusson, Assistant Executive Director, World Food Programme, Rome, Italy
- Mr. Nigel Snoad, Crisis Response and Civic Innovation, Google, New York, United States of America

**Wednesday, 17 July**      **Afternoon session**

3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.      **Continuation of general debate and closing**

- Adoption of Resolution “Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations” (E/2013/L.20)
- Closing remarks by Ms. Valerie Amos, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator
- Closing by the Vice-President of ECOSOC