



2008 Annual Ministerial Review and Development Cooperation Forum Global Preparatory Meeting

6 March 2008, UN Headquarters, New York

Programme

AMR Global Preparatory Meeting

10.00 am Opening of the meeting

Welcome by **H.E. Ambassador Léo Mérorès**, President of ECOSOC

Opening remarks by **Mr. Sha Zukang**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

10.15 am Panel 1 - Annual Ministerial Review: delivering on implementation

How to strengthen the follow-up to the review? How to promote action where volunteering countries need help from the international community?

Panelists:

H.E. Mr. Antonio Pedro Monteiro Lima, Permanent Representative of Cape Verde to the United Nations, New York

Mr. Eckhard Deutscher, Chair, Development Assistance Committee, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development [via videoconference]

11.30 am Panel 2 - The role of ECOSOC in achieving sustainable development

How can ECOSOC foster the integration of sustainable development principles in policy-making and development cooperation? How can the AMR help to bring different actors together, including through the AMR innovation fair? How can ECOSOC help strengthen other partnerships for sustainable development?

Panelists:

Prof. Adil Najam, The Frederick S. Pardee Professor for Global Public Policy, Boston University

Mr. Olav Kjørven, Director of the Bureau for Development Policy, UNDP

12:50 pm Closing of meeting by President of ECOSOC

Each panel will be followed by interactive discussion moderated by **Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram**, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development



Towards the 2008 Development Cooperation Forum

3.00 – 3.15 pm

Introduction

Leo Mérorès, President of ECOSOC (chair)

Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (moderator)

3.15 - 4.30 pm

Panel 1 - Preparatory process towards the 2008 DCF

Panelists:

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

Key policy messages of the Vienna High-level Symposium

Mahy Hassan Abdellatif, Deputy Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs for International Cooperation, Egypt

Key policy messages of the Cairo High-level Symposium

Questions & Answers

4.30 - 6.00 pm

Panel 2 - Expectations for the 2008 DCF and beyond

What are the vision and expectations of stakeholders for the 2008 DCF? How will the DCF be expected to influence the Monterrey Follow-up Conference in Doha and the Accra High-level Forum?

Presentation:

Yash Tandon, Executive Director, South Centre

Stakeholder expectations for the DCF

Questions & Answers