16 May 2012

Excellency,

In furtherance to my letter of April 20th, 2012 informing you of the U.N. General Assembly's informal thematic debate entitled “The Road to Rio + 20 and Beyond”, to be held on 22nd May, 2012 I am pleased to share the attached detailed programme. Updated information about this event will be available on the website of the President of the General Assembly.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers
to the United Nations
New York
Informal Thematic Debate Of The 66th Session Of
The United Nations General Assembly On
"The Road to Rio+ 20 and Beyond"

Tuesday, 22 May 2012
Venue: ECOSOC

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<td>▪ H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly.</td>
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<td>▪ H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-Moon, Secretary General.</td>
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<td>▪ H.E. Mr. Antonio de Aguiar Patriota, Minister of External Relations of Brazil.</td>
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<td>▪ H.E. Mr. Kim Sook and H.E Mr John Ashe Co-Chairs of the Bureau for UNCSOD</td>
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| 10:30am – 1pm |
| Panel I: |
| - How can Rio +20 foster the global development agenda? |

**Moderator:** Mr. Olav Kjorven, Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Bureau for Development Policy, UNDP

**Panelists:**

- Professor Jeffery Sachs, Director of the Earth Institute at Columbia University.
- Mr. Brice Lalonde, Executive Coordinator Rio+20.
- Dr. Martin Khor, Executive Director, South Centre, Geneva.
- Mr. Jose Manuel Mendoza-Nasser, Viridi International.
- Mr. Helio Mattar, Akatu Institute for Conscious Consumption.

- Questions and comments from the floor, response from the panelists.
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| **03:00 – 5:50 pm** | Panel II:  
- The role of the General Assembly in supporting the objective of the Conference UNCSD (Rio+20).  
- What are the effective means to support the implementation of Rio+20 objectives and outcome?  

**Moderator:** Mr. Narinder Kakar, Permanent Observer of IUCN to the UN.  

**Panelists:**  
- Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, Chairman of IPCC and Director-General TERI Institute.  
- Dr. Steven Bernstein, Associate Professor, Political Science. Director, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto.  
- Mr. Jan Gustav Strandenaes, Stakeholder forum for a sustainable future.  
- Dr. Pat Mooney, ECT Group.  
- Dr Rubens Born, Vitae Civilis.  

- Questions and comments from the floor, response from the panelists.  

| **5:50-6:00 pm** | Closing Remarks:  
H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly |