



MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND BEYOND 2015

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Global leaders join representatives from civil society, private sector and others at UN to highlight anti-poverty goals and set stage towards sustainable future

Since 2000, the world has come together to achieve historic results in fighting poverty and its consequences. Global poverty continues to decline. The Millennium Development Goals have catalyzed the most successful anti-poverty initiative in history. Today there's still a lot to be done and there are new global challenges to tackle. In 2015, people and leaders must agree on new goals and take action to improve the world for current and future generations. A number of major events during the High-level week of the UN General Assembly will focus on accelerating achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and setting the stage for the post-2015 development agenda.

- WHO:** Heads of State and Government, joined by leaders from the private sector, civil society organizations, philanthropists and senior UN officials
- WHEN:** 22-26 September 2014, with more events occurring before and after
- WHERE:** United Nations Headquarters, New York, and surrounding venues
- WHAT:** Key intergovernmental events plus dozens of other meetings and side events by governments, UN agencies and leaders from civil society, foundations and the private sector will raise awareness around the many issues connected to the Millennium Development Goals and the post-2015 development agenda.

KEY HIGH-LEVEL EVENTS:

[Special session of UNGA of International Conference on Population and Development](#)

22 September, 1.00pm – 9.00pm

At this special session of the General Assembly, world leaders are expected to renew political support to fully achieve the goals of increasing access to health and education, and protecting human rights, especially those of women and adolescents that were laid out at the International Conference on Population and Development held in Cairo 20 years ago.

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[Climate Summit](#)

23 September, 8.00am – 7.30pm

The Climate Summit, hosted by the Secretary-General, provides a platform for world leaders and finance, business, civil society and local leaders from public and private sectors – to catalyze ambitious action on the ground to reduce emissions and strengthen climate resilience and mobilize political will for an ambitious global agreement by 2015.

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Global Education First Initiative Event – Second Anniversary Event

24 September, 3.15 pm-5.00pm.

The theme for the second anniversary of the Global Education First Initiative is “Quality Education for the World We Want,” and will feature 26 speakers, including 12 Heads of State.

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Every Woman Every Child High-level Event

25 September, 3.00pm-5.00pm

The High-level Every Woman Every Child event, to be hosted by the Secretary-General, will seek to set the agenda for the final year of the MDGs and build a strong coalition of global partners to ensure that progress on women’s and children’s health is scaled up in the post-2015 era.

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MDG Advocacy Group Leaders Report

25 September, 8.30am- 10.30am

At a High-level breakfast session will showcase the successes of the eight MDGs to deliver a healthier, equitable and more sustainable future, and will serve to launch the MDG Advocates' *Leaders Report*.

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Zero Hunger Challenge High-level Dialogue

25 September, 1.15pm - 2.30pm

Representatives from Member States, international organizations, civil society and the private sector will convene at the United Nations Headquarters in New York for a Zero Hunger High-level Side Event titled Delivering Zero Hunger – Demonstrating Impact. This High-level event provides an opportunity for Zero Hunger champions to benchmark transformative partnerships, showcase innovative actions and announce new commitments for the eradication of hunger.

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<http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/UNGA69.shtml>

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EVENTS AND PRESS CONFERENCES

All press conferences will take place in the Press Briefing Room (S-237) and all stakeouts will take place at the Conference Building Stakeout, unless noted otherwise. The schedule is subject to change – please check daily media alert for latest information:

<http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/alert.shtml>

Several announcements of new actions are expected to be made at events organized by Governments, UN agencies, leaders from civil society, foundations and the private sector, at the UN or elsewhere in New York City, including the following:

All press conferences, official events and some side events will be webcast at webtv.un.org

The schedule of the 69th Session of the General Assembly plenary and related meetings may be found at: <http://www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/69schedule.shtml>

18 September, 11:00am Press conference to launch the **MDG Gap Task Force Report 2014**, entitled, “The State of the Global Partnership for Development,” tracks delivery on commitments listed under Millennium Development Goal 8—the global partnership for development, including access to aid, trade, debt relief, essential medicines and technologies. Press contacts: Wynne Boelt, boelt@un.org, +1 212 963 9264
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18-19 September, 10.00am -5.00pm, Global consultation on A Call to Action – Faith and Reproductive Health Post 2015. Participants, representing various religions and faith-based organizations from around the world, are expected to re-affirm their support for sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights and to call on the international community to stand up to these rights in the Post 2015 development agenda. Press contact: Omar Gharzeddine, gharzeddine@unfpa.org

19 September, 11:00am Advance press briefing on [Special Session](#) of the General Assembly on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014. Press contact: Wynne Boelt, boelt@un.org, +1 212 963 9264

20 September, 5.00pm-7.00pm, “He for She” Campaign Special Event

Co-hosted by British actor and UN Women Goodwill Ambassador Emma Watson, the event will bring together Heads of States, senior United Nations officials, champions for women’s empowerment, as well as role models and the general public.

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21-22 September, [Social Good Summit](#), 92nd Street Y, New York. At this event where big ideas meet new media to create innovative solutions, a diverse and high-profile roster of speakers will interact with hundreds of bloggers and digital media. Organized by the UN Foundation and UNDP with Mashable, the 92nd Street Y and Ericsson, on the Theme “2030 Now”.

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22-23 September 2014, [World Conference on Indigenous Peoples](#)

The World Conference on Indigenous Peoples aims to share perspectives and best practices on the realization of the rights of indigenous peoples. This High-level meeting will result in a concise, action-oriented outcome document prepared on the basis of inclusive and open informal consultations with Member States and indigenous peoples.

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More events are listed daily during the High-level GA week below.

Monday, 22 September

9.00am – 1.30pm, **High-level event on Implementing Sustainable Energy for All**

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9.00am – 12.55pm, **Women's Leaders Forum 2014**

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10.00am – 12.30pm, **Organization of Africa First Ladies on Maternal Health**

A number of First Ladies from all around Africa will renew their commitments on maternal and newborn health and mobilize political leadership and strategic partnerships for additional investments to reduce maternal deaths and promote the wellbeing of adolescent girls.

10:00am – 1.00pm, **Sustainable Land Management for Adaptation, Resilience and Food**

Security. UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and UN General Assembly President Sam Kutesa will gather with other influential policy-makers to present policy proposals that can set us on the path to sustainability. Press Contact: Melchiade Bukuru: bukuru@un.org, +1-917 402 6978

11.00am Press conference on Implementing Sustainable Energy for All.

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1.15pm Press conference on World Conference on Indigenous Peoples

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2.00pm – 7.00pm, **Africa Rising Forum - Realizing Africa’s Potential for the Future of All Its Peoples** will assess and identify how governments, institutions, the private sector and civil society can partner in ensuring inclusive, sustainable and resilient transformation for Africa’s

societies and economies. The deliberations will feature political, civil society and business leaders, policy makers and opinion shapers.

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3.00pm – 5.00pm, **2nd Symposium on Gender in the Media and launch of global study on gender stereotypes in family film entertainment.** Focusing on Beijing Platform for Action's Section J—the critical area of concern on women and the media—the first-ever global study on gender stereotypes in family entertainment from leading markets including Australia, Brazil, China, France, India and the United Kingdom will be launched at the event.

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6.00pm – 8.30pm, **Leaders' Forum on Women Leading the Way: Raising Ambition for Climate Action** With the participation of Michelle Bachelet, President of Chile, five former women presidents and prime ministers, Queen Rania Al Abdullah of Jordan, Graça Machel and the UN Secretary-General, the event aims to demonstrate women's leadership on climate action and highlighting gender-responsive actions at all levels. Press Contact: Oisika Chakrabarti,

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Tuesday, 23 September

12.30pm – 2.00pm, **High-level Side Event- Affirming the Beijing and Lima Plans of Action for Indigenous Women and Girls.** The International Forum on Indigenous Women (FIMI) and UN Women will highlight the situation of indigenous women and girls, focusing on issues to include violence, inheritance rights, participation in decision-making and the role of men and boys.

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2.00pm – 3.00pm, Soccer Match to End Violence against Women (UNiTE)

The G77 countries together with UN Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (UN Women), with the support of the UN Soccer Club, are co-hosting the third Soccer Match to end Violence against Women.

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5.15pm – 6.30pm, **Voices from the Climate Front Lines, Thematic Session at UN Climate Summit.** This event, co-hosted by UN Women, UNICEF and UNFPA will focus on the experiences and voices of children, youth, women, indigenous peoples and other groups whose voices are too-often ignored in building resilience and contributing to climate solutions on the ground.

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Wednesday, 24 September

11.30am – 1.00pm, **Eliminating Child Under-Nutrition – Setting the pace for the Africa we Want.** Press Contact: Anne Pulsen, anne.pulsen@wfp.org, +1-646-556-6911

25 September

11.00am – 1.00pm, **High-level Ebola Meeting.**

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has called for a High-level meeting to highlight the urgent needs and required response to the Ebola outbreak in West Africa.

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11.30am – 1.00pm, **Moving to implementation: Findings from the UNDG Dialogues on Post-2015 implementation.** A High-level side event entitled “Moving to Implementation: Findings from the UNDG Dialogues on Post-2015 Implementation” will provide an opportunity to showcase early results from a second phase of Dialogues on Post-2015 Implementation. These Dialogues, facilitated by the United Nations Development Group in more than fifty countries, build on the “World We Want” global conversation.

A short report "Delivering the Post-2015 Development Agenda" featuring the main findings from the dialogues will also be launched at the event. The Secretary General and the UNDG Chair will give opening remarks, followed by presentations from several Heads of State and Governments and UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador Forest Whitaker.

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1.00pm-2.30pm GAVI (The Vaccine Alliance) lunch

The Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisation (GAVI) will be holding a lunch, hosted by President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf. Press Contact: Lori Sloate, lsloate@gavi.org

5.00pm – 6.30pm, Shaping the Future: Ending AIDs by 2030

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1.00pm – 3.00pm, All in! – Towards ending the AIDs epidemic among adolescents luncheon,

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27 September, 6.00pm **Global Citizen Festival concert**, Central Park, New York.

The Global Citizen Festival concert seeks to galvanise tangible commitments in the area of vaccines, education and sanitation and will feature artistes such as Jay Z, No Doubt, Carrie Underwood, The Roots and Tiësto. Organized by the Global Poverty Project in partnership with the UN and others, the concert will broadcast to a live audience of millions.

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