



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

15 May 2015

Excellency,

Further to my letters dated 9 March 2015 and 8 May 2015 on the High-Level Event for the World Programme of Action for Youth which I will convene on 29 May 2015, I am pleased to forward to you a provisional programme for the event.

I look forward to active participation at high-level.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sam K. Kutesa', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sam K. Kutesa

To All Permanent Representatives and  
Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York

**High Level Event of the United Nations General Assembly  
Marking the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
World Programme of Action for Youth  
to Highlight Youth Priorities in the Post-2015 Development Agenda**

29 May 2015  
General Assembly Hall  
United Nations Headquarters  
New York

**Provisional Programme**

**10:00-11:00 a.m.: Opening segment**

- Youth Performance (10:00-10:10am)
- Acting President of the UN General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Alvaro José de Mendonça e Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations
- Secretary-General of the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon
- UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi
- Keynote Address by Vivian Onano, Young leader, Women Deliver.

**11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.: Plenary**

- Statements by Member States (3 minutes each)

**3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.: Panel 1 "Stocktaking of the past 20 years since the adoption of WPAY"**

*Guiding questions:*

- *Acknowledging the continued relevance of the WPAY, what efforts can be made to enhance its role as a viable instrument for further mainstreaming youth issues in the Post-2015 agenda?*
- *What is the role of youth and youth-led organizations in WPAY implementation and youth policy development, monitoring and evaluation?*
- *What are some examples of successful implementation of the WPAY to date?*

Chair: H.E. Lourdes O. Yparraguirre, Permanent Representative of Philippines to the United Nations

Moderator: Andreas Karsten, co-founder of youthpolicy.org

Panelists:

- H.E. Al-Zain S. Al-Sabah, Under-Secretary, Ministry of State for Youth Affairs, State of Kuwait
- H.E. Agnes Musunga, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Zambia
- Åshild Marie Vige, Norwegian Children and Youth Council, Norway
- Patrick Ochiba, International Movement of Catholic Students - Pax Romana Pan-African Coordinator, Kenya
- Professor Andy Furlong, University of Glasgow

#### **4:00 pm -5:00 pm: Panel 2 “Role of WPAY looking ahead”**

*Guiding questions:*

- *To what extent have the priority areas of the WPAY been incorporated into the new post-2015 development agenda?*
- *What avenues of cooperation are available between policy-makers and youth-led organizations at both local and international levels in the implementation these policies?*
- *How effective are the channels of communication on youth related issues?*
- *What partnerships have been crucial and are necessary for the continued effective implementation of the WPAY moving into the Post-2015 agenda?*

Chair: H.E. Lourdes O. Yparraguirre, Permanent Representative of Philippines to the United Nations

Moderator: Jessica Abo, Journalist

Panelists :

- H.E. Gabriel Medina, National Youth Secretary, Brazil
- H.E. Aida Hadzialic, Minister for Upper Secondary School and Adult Education and Training, Sweden
- Dejan Bojanic, European Youth Forum Board Member, Serbia
- Marina Fidelis D'Costa, UN Major Group for Children and Youth, India

**5:00 pm- 5:50 pm: Plenary**

- Statements by Member States and other stakeholders

**5:50 pm- 6:00 pm: Closing segment**

- Acting President of the UN General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Alvaro José de Mendonça e Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations