One UN for Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP): Joint Action to Implement the 10YFP

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At Rio+20 world leaders reaffirmed that promoting sustainable consumption and production (SCP) is one of the three overarching objectives of, and essential requirements for sustainable development. As a response they adopted the 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns (10YFP). The 10YFP is a global framework for action to enhance international cooperation and accelerate the shift towards sustainable consumption and production (SCP) patterns in both developed and developing countries.

As part of this effort, the 10YFP Inter-Agency Coordination Group (IACG) - which gathers 19 UN bodies - was established in May 2013. This group promotes cooperation and coordination within the UN system for the implementation of the 10YFP. The main objectives and expected outcomes of the group are:

- Coordinated, effective and substantive contribution of the UN system, respecting existing mandates and programmes of work, to fulfil the objectives, goals and functions of the 10YFP;
- Enhanced information sharing and coordination among UN bodies to support governments and other stakeholders’ efforts on shifting to SCP patterns;
- Greater visibility of the 10YFP as a key Rio+20 implementation mechanism.

This side event is organized by the IACG with the support of the 10YFP Secretariat. It will bring together UNDESA, UNEP, UNESCO, FAO and UNESCAP, in a panel discussion dedicated to the role of the UN in building cooperation, joint capacity building activities on SCP and implementing the 10YFP.

Background documents and resources:

- TST issues brief Sustainable Consumption and Production, including Chemicals and Waste
- 10YFP Inter-Agency Coordination Group note on “SCP in the SDGs focus areas”
- 10YFP Board note on “Potential contribution of the 10YFP programmes to the SDGs”
- 10YFP Interim progress report prepared by the 10YFP Secretariat on behalf of the 10YFP Board for the High Level Political Forum
- 10YFP website: www.unep.org/10YFP
# Agenda

**13:15 - 13:30 - Welcome remarks and introduction**

- Ms. Birgitte Bryld Alvarez-Rivero, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Co-Chair of the 10YFP Inter-Agency Coordination Group (IACG): *Bringing the expertise and implementation capacities of the UN in the 10YFP*
- Mr. Charles Arden-Clarke, Acting Head of the 10YFP Secretariat, United Nations Environment Programme: *SCP, the 10YFP and the SDGs*

**13:30 – 13:50 – UN agencies taking action under the 10YFP programmes**

Moderator: Mr. Arab Hoballah, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Chief, SCP Branch

- Ms. Sharon Brennen-Haylock, Director of FAO Liaison Office in New York Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), *Bringing Sustainable Food Systems in the 10YFP*
- Ms. Vibeke Jensen, Director of UNESCO New York Office, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO): *Building on experience to support the 10YFP Sustainable Lifestyles and Education programme*
- Mr. Rae Kwon Chung, Director, Environment and Development Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP): *Supporting the 10YFP regional implementation*

**Key issues to discuss**

- *Why is SCP relevant to the work of the UN and its agencies?*
- *How can UN agencies invest their experience and expertise in the 10YFP Programmes? What are the benefits in terms of inter-agency and stakeholder cooperation?*
- *The 10YFP as a potential implementation mechanism for the SDGs: concrete examples of activities that can contribute to achieving the SDGs under the 10YFP programmes.*

**13:50 – 14:25 – Panel Discussion: One UN for SCP: Implementing the 10YFP Agenda in light of the SDGs**

**14:25 - 14:30 - Conclusions (10YFP Secretariat and UN DESA)**

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