



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

28 April 2014

Excellency,

Further to my letter, dated 26 March 2014, in which I informed of the organisation of a series of four, one-day structured dialogues to consider possible arrangements for a facilitation mechanism to promote the development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technologies, I have the honour to enclose herewith the Programme for the first two dialogues, will take place on 29 and 30, April 2014. This document can also be accessed on my website <http://www.un.org/en/ga/president/68/events/> under the Calendar tab.

I look forward to your active participation in this event.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John W. Ashe". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John W. Ashe

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

General Assembly Structured Dialogues

"Possible arrangements for a facilitation mechanism to promote the development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technologies"

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Dialogue 1

Stock-taking of the international debates on development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technologies

29 April 2014, ECOSOC Chamber, Conference Building, UN Headquarters, New York City

Time	Session
10 AM to 10.30 AM	<p>Opening</p> <p>Presidency of the 68th session of the UN General Assembly H.E. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the UN</p>
10.30 AM to 1 PM	<p>Session 1.1 - What is the scale and scope of the unfulfilled need for technology facilitation?</p> <p><i>Moderators:</i> H.E. Mr. Paul Seger, Permanent Representative of Switzerland and H.E. Mr. Guilherme de Aguiar Patriota, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil</p> <p>Remarks by the Moderators</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>Mr. David O'Connor, Chief, Policy and Analysis Branch, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, UN Dr. Frank Rijsberman, Chief Executive Officer, CGIAR Dr. Zakri Abdul Hamid, Science Advisor to the Prime Minister of Malaysia and Chairman of the National Professors Council</p>
3 PM to 6 PM	<p>Session 1.2 - Options and ongoing efforts for strengthening technology facilitation at the international level</p> <p><i>Moderators:</i> H.E. Mr. Paul Seger, Permanent Representative of Switzerland and H.E. Mr. Guilherme de Aguiar Patriota, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>Mr. Andrew W. Reynolds, Senior Advisor for Space and Advanced Technologies, Department of State, United States, and Chair, UN Commission on Science and Technology for Development Mr. Heinz Leuenberger, Director of the Environmental Management Branch of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) Ms. Lucinda Longcroft, Head of New York Office, World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) Prof. Carlos Correa, Director of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies on Industrial Property and Economics Law, University of Buenos Aires and South Centre (<i>invited</i>)</p>

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Dialogue 2

Assessing fragmentation, synergies, areas of duplication and opportunities for cooperation between existing mechanisms and processes, thus improving overall coherence and enhancing inter-linkages

30 April 2014, ECOSOC Chamber, Conference Building, UN Headquarters, New York City

Time	Session
10 AM to 1 PM	<p>Session 2.1 - How much fragmentation is there? How much of it represents gaps? How much of it is duplication? How much of it is lack of information on what exists?</p> <p><i>Moderators:</i> H.E. Mr. Paul Seger, Permanent Representative of Switzerland and H.E. Mr. Guilherme de Aguiar Patriota, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>Mr. Jukka Uosukainen, Director of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) Dr. Zhihong Zhang, Senior Program Coordinator, Clean Technology Fund (CTF) and Scaling-Up Renewable Energy Program (SREP), The World Bank Dr. José A. Zaglul, President, EARTH University, Costa Rica</p>
3 PM to 5.50 PM	<p>Session 2.2 – Arguments for a technology facilitation mechanism. What concrete reforms and actions have a chance to receive broad support?</p> <p><i>Moderators:</i> H.E. Mr. Paul Seger, Permanent Representative of Switzerland and H.E. Mr. Guilherme de Aguiar Patriota, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>H.E. Ambassador Jean-Francis R. Zinsou, Permanent Representative of Benin to the United Nations Mr. Errol Levy, Research and Innovation Counselor, Delegation of the European Union, Washington, D.C Prof. Ambuj Sagar, Dean, Indian Institute of Technology</p>
5.50 PM to 6 PM	<p>Closing</p> <p>Presidency of the 68th session of the UN General Assembly</p>