

## MEDIA ADVISORY

## Advance press briefing on population issues to be considered at UNGA Special Session

The major progress and challenges in addressing global population issues since a landmark United Nations conference in 1994 will be the focus of the UN General Assembly's Special Session on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) beyond 2014, to be held at UN Headquarters on 22 September.

At the Special Session, world leaders are expected to renew their political support to fully achieve the ICPD's goals and objectives.

An advance press briefing on 19 September will provide journalists with more details on the Special Session and outline the many inter-connected issues related to ICPD, including women's empowerment, gender equality, reproductive health, human rights, equality and non-discrimination, ageing, youth, mortality, urbanization and migration.

Who: Mr. Thomas Gass, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Mr. John Wilmoth, Director, Population Division of UN-DESA

When: Friday, 19 September at 11a.m. EDT

Where: Press Briefing Room (S-237)

The press conference will be webcast live on UN Web TV. http://webtv.un.org/

For more information, visit:

http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/population/events/other/4/special\_session.html#overview

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