

Economic and Social Council Operational Activities Segment Geneva, 15-17 July 2009

Programme

Wednesday, 15 July 2009

Morning Session

10:00 am -10:30 am:

Opening of the segment

H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández Vice-President of ECOSOC

Introduction on the work programme and key objectives of the segment

Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Keynote address and introduction of the reports of the Secretary-General - The UN system's response to the guidance of the GA and ECOSOC on operational activities for development

10:30 am - 1:00 pm:

Thematic panel on "The current economic, food and climate change crises and their effects on the achievement of the MDGs: the role of UN system's support to national efforts"

Chairperson and Moderator:

H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Panelists:

- Mr. Luis Reyes and Mr. Juan Monegro, Senior Economists, Dominican Republic
- Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of ESCAP and Coordinator of the Regional Commissions
- Mr. Staffan De Mistura, Deputy Executive Director, WFP
- Mr. George Dragnich, Executive Director for Social Dialogue, ILO
- Ms. Jessica Faieta, UN Resident Coordinator in El Salvador
- Mr. Jim Butler, Deputy Director-General, FAO

Afternoon Session

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm: Dialogue on UN system funding

Chairperson and Moderator:

H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Speakers:

Mr. Michel Goffin, Head UN and Bretton Woods Institutions, Belgium Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation- The new multilateral funding policy of the Belgian Development Cooperation

Mr. Ramadhani M. Khijjah, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs of Tanzania & Chair of the Joint UN/Government Steering Committee- Experiences with innovative funding mechanisms and new aid modalities at country level

Questions and Answers session

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm:

General debate on the operational activities for development of the United Nations system: implementation of GA resolutions 62/208 and 63/232

Thursday, 16 July 2009

Morning Session

10:00 am - 1:00 pm:

Dialogue with Executive Heads of UN Funds and Programmes

Chairperson and Moderator:

H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Panelists:

- Ms. Helen Clark, Administrator of UNDP: Development challenges in the new aid environment
- Ms. Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director of UNFPA: Data for development: challenges and opportunities in supporting national capacity building
- Ms. Ann M. Veneman, Executive Director of UNICEF Capacity building and innovations in technology
- Mr. Staffan De Mistura, Deputy Executive Director of WFP: Social protection and safety nets for the most vulnerable in a time of crisis

Afternoon Session

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm: Dialogue session:

Chairperson and Moderator:

H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Speakers:

Ms. Helen Clark, Administrator of UNDP as Chairperson of the UN Development Group – Challenges to the capacity of resident coordinators in the context of UN reform: system-wide support

Dr. Denis Aitken, Assistant Director-General, WHO as Vice-Chairperson of the High-Level Committee on Management – Simplification and harmonization: how far the UN system has gone

Questions and Answers session

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm: General debate on the operational activities for development of the

United Nations system: implementation of GA resolution 62/208 and 63/232

continued

Friday, 17 July 2009

Morning Session

10:00 am – 12:30 pm: Dialogue with UN country teams: "Strengthening UN country team's coherent support to public health"

Chairperson and Moderator:

H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Panelists:

Niger:

- H.E. Mr. Adani Illo, Permanent Representative of Niger to the United Nations, Geneva
- Dr. Souley Rabi Maitournam , Director of Statistics, Monitoring and Epidemics Readiness, Niger
- Mrs. Aissata Ali Diallo, Chief, Division for Cooperation of Health for Studies and Planning, Niger
- Mrs. Khardiata Lo N'Diaye, Resident Coordinator, Niger
- Mr. Yacine Diallo, Resident Representative, UNFPA, Niger
- Dr. Tarande Constant Manzila, Resident Representative, WHO, Niger

Pakistan:

- Mr. Khushnood Lashari, Secretary of Health, Ministry of Health, Pakistan
- Dr. Khalif Bile Mohamud, WHO Representative, Pakistan

Latin America:

- Dr. Juan Manuel Sotelo, PAHO Area Manager of External Relations, Resource Mobilization and Partnerships, Latin America Regional Directors Team, Panama

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

Closing session

Formal adoption of the Outcome(s) of the segment

Concluding remarks:

- Mr. Thomas Stelzer, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs
- H.E. Mrs. Carmen Maria Gallardo Hernández, Vice-President of ECOSOC

Afternoon Session

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm: Joint event of the operational and humanitarian affairs segments
