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DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

CSD SECRETARIAT

Multistakeholder Dialogue on Implementing Sustainable Development

1 February 2010,

Conference Room-1

United Nations Headquarters, New York

Programme

Opening Session

10:00 - 10:30 am

Opening/Welcome remarks by:

- H.E. Dr. Luis Alberto Ferraté Felice, Minister of Environment and Natural Resources of Guatemala, Chairperson of CSD-18
 - Mr. Hans Hoogeveen, Director-General for International Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality of the Netherlands, representing the Chairperson of CSD-17
 - Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General – Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- Briefing on “Multistakeholders Dialogue on Implementing Sustainable Development”
- Mr. Tariq Banuri, Director, Division of Sustainable Development, DESA

Session 1

10:30 am - 1:00 pm

Implementing CSD-17 Decisions: Role of Different Implementing Partners

Chair: Mr. Hans Hoogeveen, Director-General for International Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality of the Netherlands, representing the Chairperson of CSD-17

Keynote Presentations

1. Achieving sustainable food security: new trends and emerging agenda
Speaker: Dr. Shenggen Fan, Director General of the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI).
2. Realizing agricultural potential in Africa: what should we do differently?
Speaker: Dr. Siham Mohamedahmed, Environmental Expert, Gender, Climate Change, and Sustainable Development Unit, African Development Bank
3. Scaling up of sustainable agricultural practices: requirements for a fast track approach.
Speaker: Mr. Thomas Forster, New School Food Studies Program, International Partners for Sustainable Agriculture

Discussion on Status of Implementation

- Member States
- International Financial Institutions
- UN System Organizations and Rio Conventions
- Foundations
- Major Groups

Concluding remarks by the Panelists on the way forward

Closing remarks by the Chair

Session 2

3:00 to 6:00 pm

Strengthening International Cooperation and Partnerships for Implementation of CSD-17 Decisions

Chair: H.E. Dr. Luis Alberto Ferraté Felice, Chairperson of CSD-18

Keynote Presentations

1. Strengthening international cooperation and partnerships for agricultural development
Speaker: Dr. Robert Townsend, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank
2. Land governance responses to climate change, desertification and land degradation
Speaker: Dr. Madiodio Niassé, Director, International Land Coalition
3. Capacity building of farmers through e-Extension model: challenges and opportunities.
Speaker: Dr. Carol Kramer-LeBlanc, Director of Sustainable Development, Office of the Chief Economist, US Department of Agriculture
4. Promoting Synergies between Comprehensive Framework for Action and CSD-17 decisions”
Speaker: Dr. David Nabarro, Special representative of the Secretary-General for Food Security and Nutrition

Showcasing Some Partnerships Initiatives

(Speakers from different partnership initiatives will demonstrate how they are contributing to the implementation of CSD-17 decisions especially in the areas of capacity building, technology transfer, financing and connecting farmers to research and extension systems.)

- Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development Initiative (SARD)
- CGIAR Challenge Program: 'Water and Food'
- International Land Coalition (ILC)
- Sustainable Development Knowledge Partnership (SDKP)

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