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***10th Global Civil Society Forum (GCSF)
14-15 February 2009***

***Conference Room 1
UNEP Headquarters, Nairobi, Kenya***

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

07h30-08h30	Registration
09h00-09h30	Opening Session <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Opening remarks by Mr. Lucien Royer, the Chair of the Major Groups Facilitating Committee2. Opening address by Ms. Angela Cropper, Deputy Executive Director of UNEP, Officer-in-charge of the Division of Regional Cooperation (DRC), UNEP
09h30-09h45	Election of officers and adoption of agenda Officers: Chair of GCSF + Vice chair + Rapporteur
09h45-12h00	Session 1: Engaging at the GC25/GMEF Presentation of the main themes, structure and opportunities for major groups to engage with the GC/GMEF. Keynote presentation by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Jan Gustav Strandenaes, Member of the Major Group Facilitating Committee (20mn) Questions and answers session
12h00-13h00	<i>Caucus meeting</i> <i>Informal session without interpretation</i>
13h00-14h30	Lunch break
14h30-16h00	Session 2: Partnerships with major groups and stakeholders for the implementation of the UNEP Programme of Work 2010-2011 Presentation of the proposed partnership framework for the implementation of the programme of work. Keynote presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Partnerships for the implementation of the PoW, Ms. Hannah Stoddard, Stakeholders Forum for Our Common Future (20mn) Three panellists will be invited to react to the presentation and provide their major group perspective (10mn per panellists): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Michael Grimble, International Council of Chemical Management (ICCA)• Overview of the involvement of civil society stakeholders in integrated environmental assessment and reporting (GEO process), Mr. Thierry de Oliveira, Division of Early Warning and Assessment (DEWA), UNEP• Briefing on the National Sustainable Development Strategies (NSDS) – UN Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) by Mr. Lucien Royer, Chair of the Major Groups Facilitating Committee Questions and answers session
16h00-17h30	Session 3: Dialogue with Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP Open dialogue with the Executive Director on all aspects of the GC25/GMEF as well as the Major Group's involvement in the work of UNEP.
18h00-19h30	Cocktail

- 09h00-10h30 **Session 4: Globalisation and the environment**
Presentation of the themes of the GC25/GMEF:
- **Globalization and the Environment: ‘Global Crises, National Chaos?’**
In the context of the challenges of food, energy and water security in a changing climate, how can we meet multiple environmental and development challenges at the country level, and capture the opportunities that might arise?
 - **International Environmental Governance and the UN Reform: ‘IEG: Help or Hindrance?’** Does the current IEG architecture, including financing mechanisms, help States in meeting the challenges to achieving sustainable development and the MDGs or does it serve to hinder such efforts? What would a future country responsive IEG architecture require?
- Keynote presentation:
- Mr. John Scanlon, Principal Advisor to the Executive Director, Team leader, Strategic Implementation Team, UNEP Executive Office (20mn)
- A panellist will be invited to react to the presentation and provide a major group perspective (10mn):
- Ms. Elenita Dano, Third World Network
- Questions and answers session
- 10h30-12h00 **Session 5: The Chemicals Agenda – A global framework for mercury?**
The session will provide an opportunity to update the participants on the international negotiations on chemicals management, in particular on Mercury, and outline the expectations from the GC25/GMEF.
- Keynote presentation:
- Mr. Per Bakken, Head, Chemicals Branch, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, UNEP (20mn)
- One panellist will be invited to react to the presentation and provide a major group perspective (10mn):
- Mr. Euripides Euripidou, Ground Work - Friends of the Earth
- Questions and answers session
- 12h00-13h00 **Caucus meeting**
Informal session without interpretation
- 13h00-14h30 Lunch break
- 14h30-16h30 **Session 6: Refining the key messages to the GGC25/GMEF**
Open space for participants to finalise their messages to the GC25/GMEF.
- 16h30-16h45 **Evaluation of the GCSF**
- 16h45-17h30 **Closing session**
- Closing remarks by the Chair of the GCSF, Member of the Major Group Facilitation Committee
 - Closing remarks by Mr. Olivier Deleuze Division of Regional Cooperation/Major Groups and Stakeholders Branch

Notes:

1. Interpretation in English, Spanish and French will be available during the sessions.
2. Evaluation forms will be distributed during the GCSF.
3. Refreshments and snacks will be available outside the meeting throughout the sessions.

List of working documents (per session):

(Available both in your folders and on the web at http://www.unep.org/civil_society/GCSF/indexGCSF10.asp)

Session 1:

- 1.1. Annotated provisional agenda: UNEP/GC.25/1/Add.1
- 1.2. Draft Decisions for consideration by the 25th session of the Governing Council / Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF)
- 1.3. Scenario Note for the 25th Session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF)
- 1.4. Civil society statement to the twenty-fifth session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum: Note by the Executive Director: UNEP/GC.25/INF/9
- 1.5. International Environmental Governance at Operational level - A possible interpretation and user guide

Session 2:

- 2.1. Enhancing the role of Major Groups and Stakeholders in the Implementation of UNEP's Programme of Work 2010-2011
- 2.2. Proposed biennial programme and support budgets for 2010-2011: Report by the Executive Director: UNEP/GC.25/12 (referred to as *UNEP Programme of Work 2010-2011*)
- 2.3. Briefing on the National Sustainable Development Strategies (NSDS) – UN Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD)

Session 3: N/A

Session 4:

- 4.1. International environmental governance: Report by the Executive Director: UNEP/GC.25/3
- 4.2. Background paper for the ministerial-level consultations - Discussion paper presented by the Executive Director: Globalization and the Environment: *Global Crises: National Chaos?* : UNEP/GC.25/16
- 4.3. Background paper for the ministerial-level consultations - Discussion paper presented by the Executive Director: International Environmental Governance and United Nations Reform: IEG: Help or Hindrance? – *IEG from a country perspective*: UNEP/GC.25/16/Add.1

Session 5:

- 5.1. Management of chemicals, including mercury: Report by the Executive Director: UNEP/GC.25/5
- 5.2. Report to the Governing Council on the outcome of the discussions at the second meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Mercury: Note by the Executive Director: UNEP/GC.25/5/Add.1
- 5.3. Chemicals management, including mercury: Addendum: Waste management: UNEP/GC.25/5/Add.2

Session 6: N/A

Additional background documents contributed by participants:

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1. Climate Change
2. Guidance for identifying populations at risk from mercury exposure
3. Second meeting of the *ad hoc* OEWG to review and assess measures to address the global issue of Mercury: 6-10 October 2008
4. Strengthening International Environmental Governance and civil society leadership in Asia and the Pacific
5. Mitigation and adaptation to climate change effects: the role of farmers
6. Statement by the farmers of the world on: "Main issues for farmers related to agricultural biodiversity"
7. Statement by the farmers of the world on: "Facing climate and energy challenges through sustainable bioenergy"

Other documents

1. Information for delegates (available only in English)
2. GCSF-10 Evaluation questionnaire (available in English – French - Spanish)
3. Schedule of the Greenroom