



# GREENROOM

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WORKERS & THEIR TRADE UNIONS—BUSINESS & INDUSTRY—SCIENTIFIC & TECHNOLOGICAL COMMUNITY—FARMERS



## Schedule of Events

23-26 June 2014

## Conference Room 11

UN Compound, Gigiri

The Greenroom (Conference Room 11) is a meeting room reserved primarily for the participating Major Groups and Stakeholders of civil society during the First Universal Session of the UNEA of UNEP, from Monday to Thursday 23-26 June, 2014. It is available from 8am to 7pm for morning and evening briefings, ad-hoc meetings, press events, special events and bilateral meetings, and is equipped with a computer and Wi-Fi internet access.

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# UNEA

United Nations Environment Assembly  
of the United Nations Environment Programme  
*Towards A Life of Dignity for All*



### Major Groups Daily Briefings

<b>Monday (23/6/2014):</b>	<b>8.45 - 9:45 am</b>
<b>Tuesday (24/6/2014):</b>	<b>8.45 - 9:45 am</b>
<b>Wednesday (25/6/2014):</b>	<b>8.45 - 9:45 am</b>
<b>Thursday (26/6/2014):</b>	<b>8.45 - 9:45 am</b>

On a daily basis all Major Groups representatives will meet to address the issue of their participation in the UNEA. The meetings will be facilitated by the Members of the Major Groups' Facilitating Committee (MGFC).

### Monday, 23 June 2014

#### 8.45 - 9.45am **Major Groups Daily Briefing**

#### 10.00 -10.45am **Women's Empowerment at the heart of the SDGs: Women's Major Group**

**Description:** As the SDGs process unfolds, women representatives from the WMG present their own experiences on the importance of a strong gender perspective throughout the SDGs; women speakers will present their own experiences both from the field and from the national and international policy levels.

**Organisers:** **Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF), Global Forest Coalition (GFC), Niger-Delta women**

**Keynote speakers:** Women's Major Group

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#### 11.00-11.45am **Excess nutrients in the environment - a global challenge for the 21st century:**

**Description:** Essential nutrients, such as nitrogen and phosphorus, are central to improved food security and sustainable development. However, excess use and inefficient nutrient management practices can and do contribute to climate change, nutrient over-enrichment of aquatic systems, soil acidification and groundwater pollution, harmful algal blooms, hypoxic dead zones, loss of coral and sea grass cover and declining fish stocks. The negative impact of excessive nitrogen was recognized in 2003 as an emerging issue, but 10 years later it still persists. UNEA provides a timely opportunity, in the context of specific nitrogen related drivers, as well as global drivers (such as demand for nutrition by growing population; 100 year anthropogenic N-fixing technology; globalization) to revisit impacts that can be seen across the 10 issues in the UNEP Yearbook 2014. UNEP, as the Secretariat of the Global Partnership on Nutrient Management (GPNM) brings together governments from around the world, international organizations, scientists, the private sector and NGOs, to address problems of nutrient over-enrichment and the need for accelerated moves towards food security, to combine the goals of increased productivity with conservation of natural resources. The session aims to provide an overview of the main issues concerned with nutrient management, with specific attention to nitrogen and phosphorus. This includes reflecting on the nature of the challenge (i.e. benefits versus threats), listing the key threats, the current practices and policies, and identification of the future needs (e.g. science assessment, global and regional policies). This event will promote informed dialogue on the role of nutrient management in sustainable agricultural and food production by providing information, and pointing policy makers and practitioners to good practices and the possibilities for action. There will be an introductory presentation providing a global overview, by UNEP. This will be followed by a panel discussion and questions and answers. The event will include panelists representing industry, policy, and science together with agency officials to clarify the issues, and discuss the future direction for countries and other stakeholders.

#### **RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNEA DISCUSSION:**

The session is relevant to the UNEA discussions related to the Sustainable Development Goals and decisions on air quality and nutrients. Together with quantification of the critical benefits of nitrogen and phosphorus for the world food security, there is the challenge to bring these science issues together to develop clear messages of the synergies and trade-offs, as a basis to inform decisions by governments. Sustainable nutrient management is critical for green growth and low carbon economy. Improving nutrient use efficiency leads to lower atmospheric emissions of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), a strong greenhouse gas, which means a positive effect for the climate. At the third Intergovernmental Review meeting of the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities (GPA/IGR-3) held in Manila, the Philippines (January 2012) the participating governments adopted the "Manila Declaration". Through this they have committed to develop guidance, strategies or policies on the sustainable use of nutrients so as to improve nutrient use efficiency with attendant economic benefits for all stakeholders, including farmers, and to mitigate negative environmental impacts through the development and implementation of national plans. The side event is a concrete contribution to these issues.

#### **EXPECTED CONCRETE OUTCOME OF SIDE EVENT, INCLUDING FOLLOW UP:**

Recommended concrete actions to complement government's effort in addressing nutrient challenges;

*strengthened dialogue process among the policy makers, science community and industry to respond to draft decisions being proposed for UNEA and to support future discussions and negotiations at the global level; priority actions for the GPNM identified and confirmed, which will inform the Programme of Work of the GPNM (& by extension the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-Based Activities).*

**Organizers:** **Scientific Committee on Problems of the Environment (SCOPE)/ International Nitrogen Initiative (INI) & Global Partnership on Nutrient Management GPNM)**

**Keynote speakers:** Professor Mark Sutton, International Nitrogen Initiative & Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, Natural Environment Research Council, UK.

Patrick Heffer, or Morgane Danialou, International Fertilizer Industry Association

David Osborn, IAEA Marine Environment Laboratory.

UNEP: Nelson Andrade, Coordinator, Caribbean Environment Programme

Dr. Cargele Masso, African Regional Centre Director of the International Nitrogen Initiative, International Institute of Tropical Agriculture

**Contact:** Mark Sutton ([ms@ceh.ac.uk](mailto:ms@ceh.ac.uk))

## **12.00-1.30pm Sustainable Palm Oil: Generating Global Demand and Raising Market Standards**

**Description:** *The Government of Indonesia and the UNEP-UNESCO Great Apes Survival Partnership (GRASP) are proposing to convene a high-level event on sustainable palm oil at the 1st United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA). The objective is to engage and inform the international community to generate a greater demand and discuss market standards to meet global sustainability goals. The side event will be a 90-minute panel discussion that will help raise the profile of sustainable palm oil in the international arena and will compliment future high-level events on sustainable palm oil to be organized by the United Nations. Palm oil has become a major global commodity, and low production costs make it the most profitable of all vegetable oils. It is estimated that as much as 50 % of the standard consumer goods contain palm oil. Palm oil offers huge economic and social opportunities for exporting countries, but conventional production methods are highly unsustainable. Common practices for the cultivation of oil palm include the use of peatlands and the clearance of prime forest cover, and these practices cause serious damage to the environment and release large quantities of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. Although 86% of the global palm oil is produced in Southeast Asia, the demand is rapidly increasing and expansion further into Africa and South America will place vital ecosystems at risk of unsustainable exploitation.*

*As the world's top exporter and consumer of palm oil, Indonesia is well-placed to co-host this side event. Indonesia provides approximately half of the world's supply of palm oil, and by 2015 will have devoted an estimated 10 million hectares to the crop. But Indonesia is also the world's leader in certified sustainable palm oil, accounting for 35 percent of the global market.*

*The European Union (EU) is at the forefront of the global push for certified sustainable palm oil, and will implement a new EU law on 13 December 2014 that requires all types of vegetable oil used in food products to be stated explicitly on the label. This means that manufacturers will no longer be able to hide palm oil in their ingredients under the generic term 'vegetable oil.'*

**Organiser:** **Government of Indonesia / Great Apes Survival Partnership- UNEP**

**Keynote speakers:** Keynote speakers:

Ir. Sri Parwati Murwani Budisusanti, Assistant Deputy Minister of Environment for Agroindustrial and Small Scale Enterprises Pollution Control, Indonesia; H.E. Dr Bernice Heloo, Deputy Minister of Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation, Ghana ; Mr. Darrel Webber, Secretary General, Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) Ms. Elizabeth Clarke, Business and Sustainability Manager, Zoological Society of London (ZSL) ; Mr. Marc Engel, CEO East Africa, Unilever

**Contact:** Doug Cress, GRASP coordinator, [douglas.cress@unep.org](mailto:douglas.cress@unep.org)

## **2.00-2.45pm Wind and Solar Workshop: A global perspective**

**Description:** *This event will ensure that attendees leave with a full and comprehensive understanding of the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) framework informing responsible investments and promoting sustainable development.*

*Further information on this can be found here: [http://www.act.is/ActisPDFs/Actis\\_ESG\\_Framework.pdf](http://www.act.is/ActisPDFs/Actis_ESG_Framework.pdf)*

*Some of the key case studies that will be drawn upon, to outline this framework will be renewable energy investments into electricity generation in Latin America, Africa and Asia in the context of the United Nations' Sustainable Energy for All initiative.*

**Organiser:** **Actis/ Climate Action**

**Keynote speaker:** Lucy Heintz, Director, Energy, Actis

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## **3.00-3.45pm Mainstreaming Poverty Reduction for an Inclusive Green Economy: UNDP-UNEP Poverty-Environment Initiative (PEI)**

**Description:** *This session will present evidence of the efficacy of Poverty-Environment (PE) mainstreaming, SWITCH, and Green Economy advisory services as vehicles for setting in place building blocks for an inclusive*

green economy in Africa and Europe CIS, responding and addressing the fiscal and economic policy drivers of sustainability. The role and experience of civil society in engaging in – and meaningfully contributing to – these processes will also be highlighted. The outcome will be heightened awareness of the complementarity of - and synergies between - these three flagship “One UN” initiatives implemented in collaboration with UNDP, appreciation of the importance of joint programming responses to government needs, and broader support and demand for PE mainstreaming and green economy offers.

Burkina Faso will be featured and discussed as an example of good coordination between government, civil society, and UN initiatives, where planning for the 2016-2020 UNDAF cycle is underway and where a package of measures is seen to offer the most impact for poverty reduction, economic growth, and a transition towards an inclusive, greener economy. Mongolia will also be featured as an equally inspiring example, showing how strong governmental leadership can help steer a country onto a more sustainable economic growth path, whilst at the same time ensuring the needs of the poor and future generations are also taken into account.

Organizers:

**UNDP-UNEP Poverty-Environment Initiative (PEI) and UNEP Green Economy Team**

Keynote Speakers:

Mette L. Wilkie, Director, DEPI (UNEP) (TBC)

Nik Sekhran, Director, Environment & Energy Group (UNDP)

H.E. Salif Ouedrago, Minister of Environment, (Government of Burkina Faso)

H.E. Oyun Sanjaasuren, Minister of Environment and Green Development, (Government of Mongolia) (TBC)

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**4.00-4.45pm**

### **Innovative environmental education models for the future: A MOOC on Disasters and Ecosystems**

Description:

As UNEP's flagship programme on environmental education in higher education, GUPES is one of the projects that has received seed funding from EAD, looking to mainstream environmental education in the Arab Region. For this purpose, a series of activities will be implemented through the Eye on Environmental Education Special Initiative throughout 2013 and 2014, with focus on data access, curriculum innovation, capacity building and networking.

Jointly developed by UNEP in collaboration with the Cologne University of Applied Sciences and the Center for Natural Resources and Development (CNRD) the Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Disasters and Ecosystems is one of the outputs under the Eye on Environmental Education Special Initiative (EoEESI) GUPES Project.

This Green Room Event will focus on the content and structure on the MOOC by its authors, followed by an interactive discussion with the events participants.

Organiser:

**UNEP EETU / UNEP PCDMB / Cologne University of Applied Sciences / CNRD**

Keynote speakers:

Sylvia Heuchemer, Vice-President Academic Affairs, Cologne University; Muralee Thummarukudy Senior Programme Officer, Disaster Risk Reduction, UNEP; Mahesh Pradhan, Chief, Environmental Education and Training Unit, UNEP.

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**5.00-5.45pm**

### **Water-Energy-Food Nexus a key for Green Economy in the Arab World**

Description:

This session aims to present a number of experiences, projects in the fields of Water, Energy and Food in the Arab World carried out by different Major Groups Organizations. Such activities are essential contribution to tackle the biggest challenge and nexus of water-Energy-Food in the Arab World. Policymakers must take into consideration these links to improve sustainability, efficiency and equitability.

Organizers:

**Gulf Research Centre**

Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Hassan A. Hilal, Minister of Environment, forest and urban Development, the Sudan, Head of UNEA Governing Council.

Dr. Iyad Abumoghli, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP, ROWA.

Ms. Habiba El Marashi, Chairwomen, Emirates Environmental Group, Global Focal Point of NGO Major Group of UNE, UAE.

Mr. Essam Nada, Executive Director, RAED, Africa Regional Representative, Egypt.

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## **Tuesday, 24 June 2014**

**8.45 - 9.45am**

### **Major Groups Daily Briefing**

**10.00-10.45am**

### **Global Environment Monitoring System (GEMS)/ Water Program**

Description:

The outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, “The future we



want”, emphasizes the urgent need to address water quality and water pollution and provides strategic direction on key actions needed to improve freshwater quality and monitoring. Among the proposals for the post-2015 development agenda, a number of water quality and water pollution issues feature prominently, in particular on wastewater and water-quality-related indicators, highlighting the importance of a global water quality programme such as GEMS/Water in providing the reliable water quality data and information needed for the effective management of water resources. GEMS/Water is currently undergoing an evaluation and inclusive redesign process taking account of a new United Nations Environment Programme partnership model presented at the meeting of GEMS/Water partners and donors held in Nairobi from 3 to 5 March 2014 and the GEMS/Water scoping meeting held in Stockholm in September 2013. Key partners and stakeholders have worked out modalities, outlined a rationale and carried out an initial mapping of individual partner preferences. The potential for enhancing GEMS/Water benefits and services for global, regional and country-based water quality assessment and policy information, including in providing evidence and knowledge products for the post-2015 process and the new Global Environment Outlook (GEO), have been explored.

The event will bring together a number of key stakeholder institutions, including the co-hosts, and engage potential collaborators in the new GEMS/Water programme. A special focus will be placed on the capacity building needs of African countries.

Organisers:

**UNEP**

Keynote speakers:

Dr Johannes Cullman, Federal Institute for Hydrology, Germany

Dr Debbie Chapman, University College Cork, Ireland

Dr Marcelo Pires da Costa, National Water Agency, Brazil

Mr Derek Gliddon, Environment Agency, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

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**11.00-11.45am**

### **Sustainable water management models: preventative solutions to climate change**

Description:

*Analysing the most innovative and effective sustainable water solutions in the context of the SDSN's Sustainable Cities Initiative, rapidly growing populations and strained water resources and infrastructure. The role of effective sustainable water solutions in Post-2015 Development Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals with particular reference to agriculture, food systems and food and water security.*

*The event will bring together a number of key stakeholder institutions, including the co-hosts, and engage potential collaborators in the new GEMS/Water programme. A special focus will be placed on the capacity building needs of African countries.*

Organisers:

**Aqualogy/ Climate Action**

Keynote speakers:

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**12.00-12.45pm**

### **Presentation of Sustainable Development Toolkits**

Description:

*Presentation of two new resources for stakeholders in the post-2015 development process:*

1. 'Advocacy Toolkit: Influencing the post-2015 development agenda'

*A toolkit for civil society and other stakeholder organisations, containing relevant information and tools to help develop and implement an effective post-2015 advocacy strategy*

2. 'Tests of Success for the SDGs'

*A tool to help guide and assess the international process to create a new set of global goals to eradicate poverty through sustainable development.*

Organisers:

**Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future**

Keynote speakers:

Farooq Ullah, Jan-Gustav Strandenaes

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**2.00-2.45pm**

### **Involving the grassroots in the management of our environment: What lessons for the SDGs/post 2015 framework?**

Description:

*The current Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) have given the world reason for both celebration and anxiety. A concerted global effort to achieve the MDGs has contributed to remarkable achievements including dramatic declines in extreme poverty, infant mortality and diseases. However, the MDGs have missed out on several crucial dimensions of development including climate change. Consequently, Rio +20 emphasized three critical dimensions for the successor framework; poverty reduction, advancement of social equity and environmental protection on an ever more crowded planet.*

*The Agency for Co-operation and Research in Development (ACORD) is a pan African organization working in 18 countries in sub Saharan Africa for social justice. ACORD has just finalized grassroots consultations with citizens in 13 countries of its operations on their aspirations and needs for the successor framework. The outcomes of the consultations carried out through citizens driven workshops revealed that*

for grassroots communities which are predominantly rural, access to productive resources is intimately tied to environmental change and resource use. A common thread across the workshops was of communities whose livelihoods depend on natural resources, and in which intensive development, overpopulation, intensive commercial farming and resource extraction are putting massive pressures on their sustainable management. For many who are small holder farmers, if small-scale food production is to be supported to realise its potential in securing livelihoods and prosperity, then this must also mean that natural resources are protected and managed sustainably. Women in particular expressed the fact that it is them more than men who often play the role of conserving and managing the natural resources on which their communities depend. It is women who often restore woodland, collect products from forests, and manage water supplies. As they have less access to financial resources and land, they are also more dependent on these resources.

The side event will bring out some of the key issues relevant for the development of goals and targets from and African grassroots perspective.

Organisers:

Keynote speakers:

**Agency for Cooperation and Research in Development (ACORD)**

Dr. Dominic Walubengo, Director of Forest Action Network and Co Chair of the CSO Network on Environment, Augustine Njamsnhi, Policy Coordinator, Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)

Jackson Kiplagat, Governance Coordinator, WWF, Fatou Mbaye, Livelihoods Thematic Advisor, ACORD

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### 3.00- 3.45pm

#### How will UNEP Live facilitate your work?

Description:

UNEP Live is designed to support UNEA in keeping the environment under review. It is UNEP's knowledge management platform that uses global services combined with regional, national and local data to identify key and emerging environmental issues and to support the development of integrated assessments, and policy analysis on the state of global, regional and local environments. It provides tools for data visualization, mapping and comparisons to enable users to combine data, create maps and publish and track the effective use of their findings.

The core principles of UNEP Live include i) open access to data from a wide array of sources including governments, research programmes, civil society, communities of practice and traditional knowledge; ii) sharing of data once collected for multiple uses; iii) responsible management of data and information at source; iv) archiving and tracking of the use of data and information; and v) access by citizens to data and information through multiple means.

The foundations of the UNEP Live implementation programme are built on partnerships and networks to support policy analysis and assessments. UNEP works with countries and key partners within and outside the UN to build capacity, broker access to data and information and to develop global regional and national perspectives. UNEP Live is being developed as a UN System-wide tool for tracking the effectiveness of UN environmentally related activities, projects and investments around the world.

UNEP Live will support the monitoring, reporting and verification of data globally for countries and regions. In dialogue with UNEP's member countries, regional organisations and multilateral environmental agreements, these processes will be streamlined. UNEP Live will make available online National Reporting Toolkits to help governments collect, analyse and publish environmental information quickly and easily. The event will convene key organisations from the scientific and technical community to identify critical data gaps and establish a process to fill those gaps.

Organisers:

**UNEP/DEWA**

Keynote Speakers:

UNEP Live presenter: Jacqueline McGlade, UNEP Chief Scientist

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### 4.00-4.45pm

#### Launch of the Higher Education for Environment and Sustainability

Description:

In relation with UNEP's partnership with the Zayed International Foundation for the Environment and ongoing project activities we would like to launch the establishment of a new awards category titled; "Higher Education Award on Environment and Sustainability" to an international audience. The intention is that the award will recognize and promote the fundamental role of education in working towards the sustainable development goals. The new award will reflect both on UNEP's and the Zayed Foundation's commitment with education and sustainable development.

The Zayed International Foundation was founded in 1999 by UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, and the Zayed International Prize for the Environment is meant to recognize and encourage environmental achievements supporting and promoting the sustainable development agenda. The Foundation's most prestigious award is worth US\$ 1 million, although the scope organization is not limited to the Prize awards itself. The foundation endeavors to promote sustainable development through various environmental initiatives and through propagating environmental awareness.

In May 2014 His Serene Highness Prince Albert II of Monaco was announced the winner of the most prestigious Category 1 award for the prolific environmental work carried out by the Prince Albert II Foundation in May 2014. The Awards Ceremony was attended by our Executive Director, Achim Steiner and he has endorsed UNEP's partnership with the Zayed Foundation on a number of different occasions.

Organisers:

**The Zayed International Foundation for the Environment**

Keynote speakers: Dr. Meshgan Alawar  
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## Wednesday, 25 June 2014

### 8.45-9.45am Major Groups Daily Briefing

### 10.00-10.45am Partners in Action

*Description:*

*Part one:*

*Multiple benefits from Short- Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP) emission reductions, with a particular focus on Air Quality/Health, Food Security, Energy Security and Climate from action in the areas of cook -stoves, agriculture and waste.*

*Speakers from Nigeria, Ethiopia, Norway, Sweden, ISWA and ICCL, and will present concrete projects.*

*Part two:*

*The benefits from HFC phase down and reduction of methane emissions from the oil and gas sector. Both sectors have large reduction potential, and are likely to be put forward to the SG's Climate Summit in September.*

*Speakers from the US, Canada, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Maldives, IGSD, EDF*

*Organiser:*

**Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)**

*Keynote speakers:*

ISWA, Switzerland, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Norway, Mexico, EDF

*Contact:*

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### 11.00-11.45am

### Short-lived Climate Pollutants - Health, Food Security, Energy and Climate Benefits

*Description:*

*The event will provide an opportunity to discuss ways to achieve multiple benefits for health, food security, energy security and climate from reducing Black Carbon, Methane and HFC emissions in key sectors. Key sectors include cook stoves and kerosene lighting causing indoor air pollution, transport and brick kilns causing outdoor air pollution, waste and agriculture. The Climate and Clean Air Coalition is a partnership of about 40 state and 50 non-state partners. Partners will share good practices and results.*

*Organiser:*

**Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)**

*Keynote speakers:*

Sweden, Nigeria, IGSD, ICCL, CCAC Secretariat

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### 12.00-1.30pm

### Applying principle 10 Globally

*Description:*

*During the event an update will be given regarding the latest developments with respect to transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in environmental matters. A specific focus will be:*

- *Environmental Democracy in Latin America and the Caribbean: Towards a new regional instrument.*
- *Counting, Changing and Scaling Environmental Democracy: The New Environmental Democracy Index & the Post 2015 Development Agenda.*
- *The Ball Guideline Project: Voluntary International Standards on Environmental Democracy*
- *Building the bridges between the Regions: the Forum of Exchange of Experience on Principal 10 implementation.*
- *Keynote Speakers will address the above mentioned themes and there will be an opportunity for questions and answers from the audience*

*Organisers:*

**UNEP**, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (**UNITAR**), The Access Initiative (**TAI**), Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (**ECLAC**).

*Keynote Speakers:*

Lalanath de Silva (WRI), Achim Halpaap (UNITAR), Alexander Juras (UNEP), NN (Latin American Government)

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### 2.00-2.45pm

### BlackBridge: Supporting REDD+ from space

*Description:*

*In this workshop attendees will learn how BlackBridge's RapidEye satellite imagery supports environmental monitoring programs to enable countries on their way forward to sustainability.*

*REDD+ is a key environmental UN program aiming at minimizing deforestation and forest degradation. Within this program up-to-date information is essential to monitor changes at national and local level. The RapidEye system has the capability to image whole countries in short time frames regularly, providing a reliable source of information for Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) activities.*

*You can read more about how BlackBridge contributes to REDD+ at:*

<http://blackbridge.com/rapideye/redd/index.html>

Organizer: **Blackbridge/ Climate Action**  
Keynote Speakers: Axel Penndorf  
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3.00-3.45pm

## **Climate Science for Adaptation Policy by The Global Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation (PROVIA)**

Description: *The Global Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation (PROVIA) is a global initiative which provides direction and coherence at the international level for research on vulnerability, impacts and adaptation (VIA) and acts as an interface between the international research community, decision makers, and practitioners. PROVIA's objectives are:*

- *To advance policy-relevant research on vulnerability, impacts, and adaptation related to climate change; and,*
- *To coordinate and facilitate the dissemination and practical application of this research for the benefit and value of society.*

*The following areas shall be discussed during the event:*

- *PROVIA in the global climate service landscape  
What is the role of PROVIA in a global climate service landscape?*
- *PROVIA advancing policy-relevant research on VIA contributing to UNFCCC, GFCS, WCP and IPCC*
- *PROVIA International Adaptation Futures Conference 2016*

*There will be a question and answer session addressing:*

- *How to identify global research needs in climate change vulnerability, impacts and adaptation, and how to best contribute to the global research effort;*
- *How to communicate climate science in ways that address the needs of different audiences and stakeholders;*
- *How do we communicate climate science to governments based on their needs?*
- *What are the ways for PROVIA to translate climate science and tailor it to the needs of a wider range of stakeholders?*
- *How to engage with a wide range of partners to reach the wider PROVIA stakeholder community globally?*

Organiser: **UNEP/DEWA PROVIA (Global Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation)**  
Keynote speakers: Saleemul Huq (Co-chair, PROVIA Interim Scientific Steering Committee)  
Jacqueline McGlade/Hartwig Kremer (UNEP)  
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4.00- 4.45pm

## **Climate Change: Technology you can make a difference**

Description: *This brief event will cover carbon management programmes and supply chain emissions reduction, in the context of the United Nations' Sustainable Energy for All campaign (specifically; access to modern energy services, low-carbon energy and energy efficiency.)*

*Attendees will leave the event with a heightened strategic approach to climate change impacts, and the ability to see more clearly the risks and opportunities to consolidate management of climate change across an organisation.*

*For work Avaya has recently done with Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), please see here:*

<https://www.cdp.net/en-US/WhatWeDo/Pages/Case-Study-Avaya.aspx>

Organiser: **Avaya/ Climate Action**  
Keynote speakers: Patti Moran and Sara Broadbent  
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5.00-5.45pm

## **Solar Energy**

Description: *Living in Harmony with our natural resources.*

*The Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative has been actively involved in the research and development of alternative renewable energy concepts for more than 15 years in India. Apart from being an expression of respect for the natural resources and providing sustainable energy for the BK community, it has also been an opportunity to work together with other organisations and institutes to learn and share new technologies for wider use.*

### **BUILDING A SOLAR ENERGY POWER PLANT**

*"India One", an innovative 1 Mw solar thermal power plant is currently being constructed at the Shantivan Campus of the Brahma Kumaris headquarters, Abu Road, Rajasthan, India. This project uses 770 newly developed 60m<sup>2</sup> parabolic dishes and features thermal storage for continuous operation. The plant will generate enough heat and power for the campus of 20,000 people and will provide a sustainable model for decentralized solar energy generation in India.*



Organizer: **Brahma Kumaris, World Spiritual University, Environment Initiative- India**  
Keynote Speakers: Dr. Dorcas Alusala  
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## Thursday, 26 June 2014

### 8.45-9.45am Major Groups Daily Briefing

#### 10.00-10.45am Future Earth Science

*Description:* **Future Earth – Science co-producing knowledge for policy.** Future Earth is the new global research platform providing knowledge and support to accelerate transformations to a sustainable world. It is the first global initiative supported by the Science and Technology Alliance for Global Sustainability formed by UN Organisations and funding agencies. Future Earth brings together and integrates four existing global research programmes, mobilizing thousands of scientists; building and connecting global knowledge to intensify the impact of research and find new ways to accelerate sustainable development in the wake of Rio+20. Future Earth will contribute to the observation, data and science-policy processes, including IPCC, IPBES and GEO, and could provide scientific data to UNEP Live. Future Earth is a 10-year programme, with implementation starting in 2013. Progress and prospects for Future Earth will be reported in this Green Room event. Discussion will focus on how Future Earth can most effectively support UNEP activities and other UN organisations.

Organizer: **UNEP/DEWA**  
Keynote Speakers: **Hartwig Kremer** - Head of Thematic Environmental Assessment Section, UNEP, **Cheikh Mbow, ICRAF, Farooq Ullah, Stakeholder Forum**  
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#### 11.00-11.45am Launching of Post Rio+20 South Asia Development Agenda Report

*Description:* As a follow up to the Rio+20 Outcome which invited the United Nations system, in cooperation with relevant donors, intergovernmental organizations and international organizations, to provide assistance on Rio+20 implementation process, SACEP being an Intergovernmental Organization established by the Governments of South Asia initiated the process of preparing the Post Rio+20 South Asia Development Agenda Report with the technical assistance from UNEP.

The Post Rio+20 South Asia Development Agenda Report was prepared after few Regional consultation workshops with participants from our member countries of South Asia and other regional organizations such as SAARC, UNEP & UNDP. The report intends to provide the key challenges and the critical analysis on means of implementation of the Rio+20 outcome and the policy /programme responses in South Asia in addressing environmental priorities identified in the Rio outcome document "The future we want" as well as their linkages to poverty reduction and development. In addition, this report is expected to raise awareness of the key challenges related to implementing the Rio +20 environment and climate change related outcomes.

Organizer: **Government of Pakistan in collaboration with South Asia Co-operative Environment Programme (SACEP)**  
Keynote Speakers: DG-SACEP to present the report, UNEP Regional Director ROAP, Env. Ministers/Representatives of SACEP member Governments  
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#### 12.00-12.45am Sustainability challenge: Intergenerational Inequalities in the Context of African Structural Transformation

*Description:* This event will report on the "Pan-African Conference on Inequalities in the Context of Structural Transformation" which was held in Accra, Ghana, on April 28-30, 2014.

First of all, it will aim to connect the ongoing conversation on African inequalities with the challenges of sustainability. The way in which the inclusion/ equity conversations normally unfolds is quite removed from its ecological implications and footprint. It would therefore be important to bring the planetary boundaries into the discussion as a way to highlight the need to focus as much on the "rich" as on the "poor" and stress the necessary pursuit of new sustainable consumption and production patterns. In this context, the event would also explore the possible framing of the lack of sustainability as a widening form of intergenerational inequality.

Organizer: **Society for International Development (SID)**  
Keynote Speakers: Stefano Prato, Managing Director, SID; Charles Abugre, Director, UN Millennium Campaign Africa  
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#### 1.00- 2.30pm The Sustainable Development Goals and Business

All Greenroom events take place in Conference Room 11

**Description:** *UNEP has promoted several successful public-private sector partnerships and sectoral initiatives – What are the new challenges and priorities linked to the SDGs (e.g. in energy access, economic growth, jobs, SCP, resource efficiency, equity, accountability) for business initiatives to advance greener economic activity, such as through global supply and value chains?*  
*SMEs are “major” actors in business, yet their involvement and needs are still too often not addressed – where can UNEP’s policy expertise encourage and incent the SME contribution to SDGs, working with sectoral business groups and others, particularly in Africa?*  
*What can UNEP do to better inform discussions of necessary enabling frameworks (e.g. in trade, finance, investment) for economic and environment benefits to be integrated in the SDGs?*

**Organizer:** **Business Green Economies Dialogue (and others)**

**Keynote Speakers:** ICCA Representative – Head of CEFIC (TBC)  
UNEP DTIE Deputy Director – Tim Kasten  
Novozymes Representative? (TBC)  
Croplife/ International Fertilizer Association Representative? (TBC)

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### 3.00-3.45pm **Eye on Earth project showcase**

**Description:** *The Eye on Earth Summit (Abu Dhabi, 11-15 December 2011), sponsored by the Environment Agency Abu Dhabi (EAD), facilitated by the Abu Dhabi Global Environment Data Initiative (AGEDI) and organized in partnership with UNEP, brought together over 900 stakeholders from all sectors, including civil society, to address the issue of access to environmental and societal data to advance the sustainable development agenda.*  
*The Summit and approved eight special initiatives covering the following priority areas: oceans and blue carbon, disaster management, water security, community sustainability and resilience, biodiversity, the Global Network of Networks (GNON), environmental education and access to information. These initiatives are being implemented through an integrated set of projects. The purpose of the event is to showcase these projects and garner feedback from major groups and stakeholders on priorities for future Eye on Earth projects and to engage civil society in the 2015 Eye on Earth Summit.*

**Organizer:** **Abu Dhabi Global Environment Data Initiative (AGEDI)**

**Keynote Speakers:** Dr Costis Toregas, Mr Tim Hirsch, Dr Lalanath deSilva, Ms Jane Glavin, Mr Ahmed Baharoon Gliddon

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### 4.00- 4.45pm **Atlas for Environmental Justice**

**Description:** *This event will present the Atlas for Environmental justice, where more than 1000 cases are mapped all around the world.*  
*See: <http://ejatlas.org>*  
*The Atlas of Environmental Justice has been making waves across the world. Since the launch we have had over 130 press mentions in 21 countries and more than 100,000 visitors to the site.*  
*read more: <http://www.ejolt.org/2014/04/atlas-of-environmental-justice-in-the-press/>*

**Organizer:** **European Environmental Bureau (EEB)**

**Keynote Speakers:** Leida Rijnhout (EEB), Paul Matiku (Nature Kenya), UNEP (TBC)

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