

**THE FIRST UNIVERSAL SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL/GLOBAL
MINISTERIAL ENVIRONMENT FORUM OF UNEP**

NAIROBI, 18-22 FEBRUARY 2013

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

As of 14 February 2013

SATURDAY, 16 FEBRUARY

**PRE-SESSION EVENT
8.30 a.m.-5 p.m. Conference Room 1**

Fourteenth Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum

- ✚ **TUNZA Youth Conference is being held from 10 to 14 February 2013 at the UN Office at Gigiri. It includes a press event (launch of UNEP GEO for Youth) on 11 February 2013.**
- ✚ **A press event (GC curtain raiser and launch of the UNEP's 40th Anniversary Book) will be held on 14 February 2013 at the Norfolk Hotel Nairobi at 10.30 a.m.**
- ✚ Each of the Regional Groups will hold group meetings at a date and time agreed by the respective Groups. For this purpose, meetings rooms are allocated for the use by each Group outside official meeting hours as follows:

	<u>17 Feb Sun</u>	<u>18 Feb Mon</u>	<u>19 Feb Mon-22 Feb Fri</u>
Group 77 and China	Conference Room 9+10	Conference Room 9+10	Conference Room 9+10
African Group	Conference Room 13	Conference Room 13	Conference Room 13
Asia and the Pacific Group	Conference Room 9+10	Conference Room 9+10	Conference Room 9+10
Eastern European Group	Conference Room 7	Conference Room 7	Conference Room 7
Latin America and the Caribbean Group	Conference Room 2+3+4	NOF Block 2-North Wing-1st level	NOF Block 2-North Wing-1st level
Western European and Others Group	Conference Room 14	Conference Room 14	Conference Room 14
European Union	Conference Room 14	Conference Room 14	Conference Room 14

* The information above is provisional, to be confirmed with the UNON Conference Services at dcs-mcu@unon.org.

SUNDAY, 17 FEBRUARY

PRE-SESSION EVENT
8.30 a.m.-5 p.m. Conference Room 1

Fourteenth Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum

INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH THE REGIONAL GROUPS
4-5 p.m. Conference Room TBD [English only]

The Executive Director will hold informal consultations with Regional Groups on the structure and organization of the first universal session of GC/GMEF, including nominations from Regional Groups for officers to be elected.

- ✚ **High-level meeting on the rule of law and the environment will be held from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.**

- ✚ **Network of Women Ministers and Leaders for the Environment: High-level Forum on Gender and the Environment will be held from 11 a.m.**

- ✚ **Opening of Green Shanghai Art Photography Exhibition and signing MOU on anti-poaching and environment conservation publicity between the Information Office of the Shanghai Municipal Government and UNEP, at 5 p.m. at Fountain Area**

- ✚ Meeting of moderators and facilitators of the ministerial consultations will be held at 5 p.m. at Conference Room 14 (upon invitation only)

MONDAY, 18 FEBRUARY

PLENARY 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Rooms 2+3+4	
Opening ceremony	
Item 1: Opening of the session	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcoming and introductory remarks by the President of GC/GMEF ▪ Message by the United Nations Secretary-General ▪ Welcoming address by Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP ▪ Address by the representative of the Government of Kenya 	
– Dignitaries leave the conference room –	
Item 2: Organization of the session	
(a) Election of officers;	
(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work	
Policy statement of Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP	
Statement by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on draft decisions	

PRESS CONFERENCE 1-1.45 p.m. Press Centre	
Launch of the UNEP Year Book 2013 Focus on Arctic and Poaching issues	

SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 13	SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 14
Rapid change in the Arctic	UNEP's role in the post-2015 development agenda, SDGs and sustainable consumption and production

PARALLEL EVENT 1-2:45 p.m. Conference Room 1	
Meeting of Commonwealth Consultative Group on Environment (closed meeting)	

MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 1	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2
<p>Plenary discussion: Rio+20: from outcome to implementation</p> <p>Item 4 (b): Emerging policy issues</p> <p>Implementation of paragraph 88 of the Rio+20 outcome document "Future We Want" and UNGA resolution 67/213</p>	<p>Organization of the work of the Committee Election of the Rapporteur</p> <p>Item 5: Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations summits and major intergovernmental meetings, including the decisions of the Governing Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Revision to the GC rules of procedure ▪ Institutional arrangements <p>Item 6: Budget and programme of work for the biennium 2014–2015 and the Environment Fund and other budgetary matters.</p> <p>N.B. Detailed programme of the Committee of the Whole will be decided at its first meeting on Monday, 18 February.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SOCIAL EVENT 6.30 p.m. – Fountain Area</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reception hosted by the Government of Kenya</p>	

TUESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY

MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 10 a.m. -1 p.m. Conference Rooms 1, 9+10, NOF block 2-level1-North Wing	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 2
<p>3 parallel ministerial roundtable discussions:</p> <p>Item 4 (b): Emerging policy issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Responsiveness to country needs ▪ Science-policy interface ▪ Secure, stable, adequate and increased financial resources to fulfill UNEP's mandate ▪ Stakeholders' participation ▪ Future ministerial engagements 	<p>Item 6 (cont'd)</p> <p>Item 4 (a): State of the environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sustainable consumption and production ▪ Chemicals and wastes ▪ World environment situation

PRESS CONFERENCE 1-1.45 p.m. Press Centre
Launch of Endocrine Disrupters Report

LUNCH TIME DIALOGUE 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 1
Executive Director's lunch time dialogue on green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication

MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 3-6 p.m. Conference Rooms 1, 9+10, NOF block 2-level1-North Wing	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2
<p>3 parallel ministerial roundtable discussions:</p> <p>Item 4 (b): Emerging policy issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Environmental challenges within sustainable development and UNEP's contribution to SDGs ▪ Promoting sustainable consumption and production 	<p>Report from various groups</p> <p>Item 4 (a) (cont'd):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ World environment situation ▪ Justice, governance and law ▪ Progress report of the Executive Director

SOCIAL EVENT 6 p.m. – Next to the Chilean Finger
Reception hosted by the Executive Director

WEDNESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY

MINISTERIAL REGIONAL CONSULTATIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES AND UNEP'S REGIONAL PRESENCE AND RESPONSIVENESS 10 a.m.-11.30 a.m. Conference Rooms TBD	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10 .m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional environmental challenges; ▪ UNEP regional presence and responsiveness to country needs 	<p>Report back from various groups</p> <p>Item 4 (c): International environmental governance (d): Coordination and cooperation within the United Nations system on environmental matters (e): Coordination and cooperation with major groups (f): Environment and development</p>
MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 11.30 a.m.-1 p.m. CONFERENCE ROOM 1	
<p>Consultations with the Executive Director on key issues raising from the session</p>	

PRESS CONFERENCE 1-1.45 p.m. Press Centre
<p>Lighting Partnership En. Lighten: Off GRID Lighting Partnership and Country Lighting Assessments</p>

SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 13	SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 14	SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 9+10
<p>Building the ecological foundation of food security: the case for building sustainable and resilient ecological food systems in agriculture dominated landscapes in Africa</p>	<p>Climate and Clean Air Coalition to reduce short-lived climate pollutants</p>	<p>Social dialogue for green and decent job, sustain labor</p>

MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 1	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2
<p>Plenary discussion: conclusions and recommendations</p> <p>Item 4(b): Emerging policy issues</p>	<p>Report back from various groups</p> <p>Draft decisions before the Committee</p>

 Reception at the Sustainable Innovations EXPO Tent will be held at the Fountain Area from 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 2**Report back from various groups****Draft decisions****Item 8:** Other matters**PRESS CONFERENCE**
1-1.45 p.m. Press Centre**Launch of Africa Environment Outlook 3**
Designation of Kenya Good Will Ambassadors**SIDE EVENT**
1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 13**Strengthening the human rights and
environment nexus for sustainable development****SIDE EVENT**
1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 14**Presentation of road map on the process of
establishment of an instrument on the
application of principle 10 in Latin America and
the Caribbean****COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2**Report back from various groups****Item 7:** Provisional agenda, date and venue of future
sessions of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial
Environment Forum:

- (a) Thirteenth special session of the Governing
Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum;
- (b) Twenty-eighth session of the Governing
Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum.

Item 8: Other matters**Approval of draft decisions****Adoption of the report and conclusion of the
work of the Committee**

-  **Reception hosted by Switzerland, Japan and Uruguay, to celebrate the successful conclusion of the negotiations on the Minamata Convention on Mercury, from 6 p.m.**

FRIDAY, 22 FEBRUARY

PRESS CONFERENCE 1 - 1.45 p.m. Press Centre

Closing press conference, announcement on Climate Technology Centre and Network and announcement of the host city for the World Environment Day 2013
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SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 13	SIDE EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 9+10
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Africa priority flagship programmes in follow-up to Rio+20 outcomes	The Wildlife Poaching Crisis in Kenya
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PLENARY 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2
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Item 3: Credentials of the representatives

Item 8: Other matters

Item 9: Adoption of the report

Report of the President on the outcome of the Ministerial Consultations

Report on the outcome of the Committee of the Whole by its Chair

Adoption of decisions

Item 10: Closure of the session

 A marathon event will be held on Sunday 24 February 2013
