

Global Partnerships: Keys to Unlocking Resource Efficiency and Inclusive Green Economies

A National Event of the Host of the 2018 World Environment Day

Date and Time: 18h00-19h30, 13 March, 2019

Location: Sustainable Innovation Expo Tent (tbc), UN Campus, Gigiri

Organizers: Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India

Description: On the eve of 2020, our global economy metabolizes an estimated 90 billion tons of natural resources annually, New infrastructure needs alone are likely to double resource flows in the coming decade to meet the needs of a young and growing population. How will countries make their economies greener, more inclusive and resource efficient in the face of global and national challenges?

This event will showcase experiences from India, host of World Environment Day in 2018, and from partners around the world, to address this challenge. Closely linked to the overarching theme of “*innovative solutions for environmental challenges and sustainable consumption and production*,” it will touch on new pathways to sustainability including life-cycle approaches to resource efficiency, energy, chemicals and waste management.

Specifically, the proposed event would discuss the Government of India initiatives like Partnership for Action on Green Economy, resource efficiency policy, elimination of single use plastic by 2020 – World Environment Day, 2018, waste management rules, sustainable public procurement, climate justice, various approaches as sustainable lifestyle, sustainable urban to achieve sustainable consumption and production framework.

The event would discuss the inclusive green economy initiatives by experts - policies, assessment, best practices, way forward approach and evaluation tools. And in particular the role of partnerships in unlocking resource efficiency and greener and more inclusive economies.

Format: The event will be held as a cocktail reception, moderated by a UN Environment Goodwill Ambassador in a free flowing session of remarks and contributions from key players in India’s global partnerships.

Panelists and speakers:

- a) Mr. C.K. Mishra, Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India
- b) Ms. Joyce Msuya, Acting Executive Director, UN Environment (tbc)
- c) Mr. Ambuj Sagar Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (tbc)
- d) Private Sector leader (tbc)
- e) Ministers from partner countries (tbc)

Moderator: UN Environment Goodwill Ambassador (tbc)