

Meeting of EC-ESA Plus Principals
Tuesday, 8 July 2014
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Conference Room 3 (CB)
United Nations Headquarters, NY

Provisional Agenda

I. Update on the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States to be held in Apia, Samoa, from 1-4 September, 2014

Briefing on the following issues:

- a. Analysis of the preparatory process and Draft Outcome
- b. Engagement in the Conference and Partnership Dialogues
- c. Planning ahead for the implementation of the conference Outcome

Documents: i. Draft Outcome Document to be adopted during the Third international Conference on Small Island States and;
ii. Issues Briefs for the Partnership Dialogues

II. The Post 2015 Development Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Discussions could address the trends and messages emerging from the Open Working Group (OWG) and the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing (ICESDF) and their implications for the post 2015 development agenda.

Document: Working document of the Open Working Group on SDGs

III. The High Level Political Forum: Next Steps

In its resolution 67/290 the General Assembly decided that the high-level political forum, shall provide political leadership, guidance and recommendations for sustainable development, follow up and review progress in the implementation of sustainable development commitments, enhance the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development in a holistic and cross-sectoral manner at all levels and have a focused, dynamic and action-oriented agenda, ensuring the appropriate consideration of new and emerging sustainable development challenges.

Discussions could reflect on the possible format of UN system reviews by the forum. This would include a reflection on the role of the forum in encouraging the UN system to integrate the three dimensions of sustainable development in its work.

Principals may also wish to discuss elements for a monitoring and accountability framework for a post-2015 development agenda and how best to maximize the role of the HLPF in this regard.

Document: Report of the Secretary-General on Mainstreaming of the three dimensions of sustainable development throughout the United Nations system (A/69/79, E/2014/66)

IV. The Global Sustainable Development Report

Paragraph 20 of General Assembly resolution 67/290 decided "...that the forum shall strengthen the science-policy interface by examining documentation, bringing together dispersed information and assessments, including in the form of a global sustainable development report, building on existing assessments, enhancing evidence-based decision-making at all levels and contributing to the strengthening of ongoing capacity-building for data collection and analysis in developing countries...".

The General Assembly requested "...the forum to consider, in 2014, the scope and methodology of a global sustainable development report, based on a proposal of the Secretary-General reflecting the views and recommendations of Member States, and relevant United Nations entities, including the Committee for Development Policy".

Discussion under this agenda item could focus on contributions of ECESA-Plus to the global sustainable development report, in support of the deliberations of the high-level political forum on sustainable development.

Document: Report of the Secretary-General on: Options for the scope and methodology of a global sustainable development report

V. Any Other Business