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## **Twelfth Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum (GMGSF.12)** **19-20 February 2011, Nairobi, Kenya** **Conference Room 1**

### **Agenda**

17 February 2011

#### **Saturday 19 February 2011**

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07h30-08h30      Registration

09h00-09h30      **Opening Session**

- Opening remarks, by a member of the Major Groups Facilitating Committee (MGFC)
- Opening remarks, by Ms. Tomoko Nishimoto, Director, Division for Regional Cooperation, UNEP

09h30-10h00

- Remarks by the Facilitator (objectives, methodology, schedule): Ms. Gillian Martin Mehers, Bright Green Learning
- Introduction of participants: mapping out the type of major groups and stakeholders, sectors/field of expertise present

10h00-12h00

**Session 1: Panel discussion on International Environmental Governance (IEG)**

The session will provide an opportunity to present and discuss the following: (a) the outcomes of the meetings of the Consultative Group of Ministers and their High Level representatives on broader IEG reform process in Nairobi and Helsinki in 2010; (b) the outcomes of the Geneva consultation with major groups and stakeholders on IEG in October 2010; and (c) the outcomes of the work of the Advisory Group on IEG and its proposed support to the work of the Governing Council on IEG. The session will also consider how the outcomes of the consultative Group of Ministers and their high level representatives on the broader IEG reform process and the outcomes of the UNEP GC26/GMEF will pave the way towards the Rio+20 preparatory process on Sustainable Development Governance.

**Panellists:**

- H.E. Ambassador Heli Sirve, representing the Finnish Chairmanship of the Consultative Group of Ministers and their high level representatives on the broader IEG reform process
- Hon. (Prof) Margaret Kamar, Assistant Minister for Environment and Mineral Resources; and Mr. Ali D. Mohamed, CBS- Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources, representing the Kenyan Chairmanship of the Consultative Group of Ministers and their high level representatives on the broader IEG reform process
- Mr. Negusu Aklilu and Mr. Arthur Dahl, IEG Advisory Group: "International Environmental Governance: presenting the work of the IEG Major Groups Advisory Group towards a broader IEG reform process"

- Dr. Bradnee Chambers, Senior Legal Officer and Chief of Policy and Interlinkages between the Multilateral Environmental Agreement, Division of Environmental Law and Conventions, UNEP

12h00-13h00 The Session may continue, but without interpretation. Alternatively, MGS may choose to have caucus groups' meetings to finalize their key messages to the GC/GMEF.

13h00-14h00 **Lunch break**

14h00-15h30 **Session 2 : Panel discussion on Green Economy**

The session will discuss the main conclusions of the Green Economy Report and how it fits into the overall sustainable development debate, and in the context of Rio+20. Speakers will highlight the role of civil society and the private sector, Governments and multilateral organizations in making the transition to a Green Economy a reality, taking into account different contexts - for example OECD countries, rapidly industrialising countries and least developed countries. Panel members will provide additional perspectives on Green Economy.

Presentation by:

- Dr. Steven Stone, Chief, Economics and Trade Branch, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, UNEP

Panellists:

- Mr. Mark Halle, Director, Trade and Investment, and European Representative, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD): "Green Economy: defining the importance of the green economy for different set of actors/countries/regions"
- Ms. Martina Bianchini, Dow, Chair of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Green Economy Task Force: "Role of the private sector in the transition to a resource efficient and green economy: from CSD to Rio+20"
- Ms. Anabella Rosemberg, Policy Officer on Occupational Health and Safety and Environment, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC): "Key principles of a Green Economy: drivers for social justice, decent work and development; concrete examples of their application"
- Ms. Lorna Omuodo, Vanilla Development Foundation, Kenya: "Green Economy and Poverty alleviation: how can the local level contribute to green economy, and how can a green economy reform take into account the local level"
- Mr. Talaipek Makeev, Executive Director, Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia: "Green Economy: the Central Asian perspective and outcomes of the VI Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific (MCED-6)"

15h30-17h00 **Session 3: Dialogue with Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP**

This session is the traditional open dialogue with the Executive Director on all aspects of the Twenty-sixth session of the UNEP Governing Council/Global ministerial Environment Forum (GC.26/GMEF), the preparations towards Rio+20, as well as the major groups and stakeholders' involvement in the work of UNEP.

09h00-10h30

**Session 4: Partnerships with major groups and stakeholders towards Rio+20**

This session will feature a keynote speaker and an open discussion on the process towards Rio+20. This session will facilitate inputs from major groups and stakeholders on the Rio+20 preparatory process and major groups and stakeholders initiatives.

Keynote speaker:

- Ms. Lisa Jackson, US EPA Administrator: "Partnerships with Major Groups and Stakeholders towards Rio+20: Major Groups' roles and interactions with governments."

Questions and answers session.

10h45-12h00

**Session 4: Continued**

Presentations by:

- Mr. Michele Candotti, Principal Advisor to the Executive Director and Head of the Office for Policy and Inter-Agency Affairs (OPIA), UNEP: "UNEP Strategy Towards Rio+20"
- Ms. Fatoumata Keita-Ouane, Chief, Early Warning and Assessment Branch, Division of Early Warning and Assessment, UNEP: "UNEP Global Environment Outlook 5: Assessing policy options"

Panellists:

- Mr. Felix Dodds, Executive Director, Stakeholder Forum for a Sustainable Future, UK: "Partnerships with Major Groups and Stakeholders towards Rio+20: bridging the gap between international environmental governance and governance for sustainable development"
- Mr. Aron Belinky, Brazilian Forum of NGOs and social Movements for the Environment and the Development (FBOMS), Brazil: "Partnerships with Major Groups and Stakeholders towards Rio+20: bridging the gap between international environmental governance and governance for sustainable development"
- Ms. Christine von Weizsäcker, ECOROPA: "Towards Rio+20: the role of civil society"

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**Lunch break**

14h00-16h00

**Session 5: Refining the key messages to the 26<sup>th</sup> session of the UNEP Governing Council/Global ministerial Environment Forum (GC.26/GMEF)**

Major groups and stakeholders participants will finalise their messages to the GC.26/GMEF (major groups and stakeholders/regional/common messages endorsed by several major groups and stakeholders, etc.). The structure of the GC26/GMEF, rules and regulations for engaging in the different sessions will be presented, to facilitate formal and informal interactions of major groups and stakeholders with the GMEF.

Presentation by:

- Mr. Alexander Juras, Chief, Major Groups and Stakeholders Branch, Division of Regional cooperation, UNEP: “Structure of the GC.26/GMEF and opportunities for engagement for MGS”

16h00-16h30

**Evaluation of the GMGSF**

16h30-17h30

**Closing session**

- Closing remarks, by major groups and stakeholders
- Closing remarks, by Ms. Tomoko Nishimoto, Director, Division of Regional Cooperation

17h30-19h30

**Movie premiere “Silent Snow”**

The film “Silent Snow” features the journey of a young Inuit woman to three different continents, investigating the sources of pollution that threaten the Inuit traditional lifestyle. On her trip, she is confronted with conflicting interests when it comes to short-term gains and sustainable solutions for agriculture, industries and health care.

- Welcome remarks by Mr Alexander Juras, Chief, Major Groups and Stakeholders Branch, Division of Regional cooperation, UNEP
- Introduction by H.E. Ms Laetitia van den Assum, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Kenya, and Permanent Representative to UNEP
- Presentation by Mr Jan van den Berg, Movie Director

19h45-21h00

Cocktail reception at the UN Recreation centre