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**TWELFTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL/GLOBAL
MINISTERIAL ENVIRONMENT FORUM, NAIROBI, 20-23 FEBRUARY 2011**

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

15 February 2012, Secretariat for Governing Bodies

SATURDAY, 18 FEBRUARY

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| <p>PRE-SESSION EVENT 9 a.m.-1 p.m. & 2-5.30 p.m. Conference Room 1 [E/F/S]</p> |
| <p>Thirteenth Global Major Group and Stakeholder Forum</p> |

- The UNEP Year Book 2012 will be launched on Monday, 13 February at 11 a.m. (Press Centre).
- Regional groups will hold 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 unless otherwise agreed and announced :

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| Group 77 and China | Conference Room 1 |
| African Group | Conference Room 1 |
| Asia-Pacific Group | Conference Room 4 |
| Eastern and Central European Group | Conference Room 7 |
| Latin America and Caribbean Group | Conference Room 3 |
| Western European and Others Group | Conference Room 14 |
| European Union | Conference Room 14 |
| JUSCANZ (upon request) | Conference Room 9 |
| Arab Group (upon request) | Conference Room 4 |

Requests/queries related to meeting rooms may be sent to Conference Services dcs-mcu@unon.org

- In commemoration of the UNEP 40th anniversary, selected photography from UNEP's extensive collection of archive images will be on display in the conference rooms and the Delegates Lounge through tout the duration of the session.
- For the duration of the session of Council/Forum and pre-session events, various exhibitions that are of relevance to the themes of the Council/Forum will also be on display.

SUNDAY, 19 FEBRUARY**PRE-SESSION EVENT****9 a.m.-1 p.m. & 2-5.30 p.m. Conference Room 1 [E/F/S]****Thirteenth Global Major Group and Stakeholder Forum****INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH THE REGIONAL GROUPS****4-5 p.m. Conference Room 10 [English only]**

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

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH MODERATORS AND FACILITATORS**5-6 p.m. Conference Room 10**

The meeting of the Executive Director with the moderators of the Panels and facilitators of the ministerial roundtables to prepare for the Ministerial Consultations. .

- In addition, to commemorate the UNEP 40th anniversary, a half-Marathon as well as a 5-Km run/walk will be organized in conjunction with the Paul Tergat Foundation, from 9 to 11.30 a.m. on Sunday, 19 February.

MONDAY, 20 FEBRUARY

| PLENARY 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 2 | |
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| 10-10.45 a.m. | |
| Item 1: | <p>Opening of the session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcoming and introductory remarks by H.E. Ms Graciela Muslera, the Acting President of GC/GMEF ▪ Message by the United Nations Secretary-General ▪ Statement by Mr. Joan Clos, Executive Director of UN-Habitat ▪ Statement by Ms. Sahle-Work Zewde, Director-General of UNON ▪ Welcoming address by Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP ▪ Address by H.E. Mr Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of the Republic of Congo (tbc) ▪ Address by the representative of the Government of Kenya <p align="center">– Dignitaries leave the conference room –</p> |
| Item 2: | <p>Organization of the session</p> <p>(a) Adoption of the agenda; (b) Election of officers; (c) Organization of work.</p> <p>Policy statement of Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP</p> <p>Statement by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on draft decisions</p> |

| PRESS CONFERENCE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 1-1.30 p.m. Press Centre |
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| <p>Launch of the GEO5 Summary for Policy Makers and the Foresight report</p> |

| SPECIAL EVENT 1.45-2.45 p.m. Conference Room 10 | SPECIAL EVENT 1.45-2.45 p.m. Conference Room 12 | SPECIAL EVENT 1.45-2.45 p.m. Conference Room 13 |
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| <p>Environment and Development Challenges: The imperatives to Act</p> | <p>Measuring progress towards sustainability – co-sponsored by the Ministry of Environment of Finland</p> | <p>Short-lived climate forcers</p> |

| PARALLEL EVENT 1:15-2:45 p.m. Conference Room 1 |
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| <p>Meeting of Commonwealth Consultative Group on Environment (closed meeting)</p> |

- In addition, opening event of the Sustainable Innovations Expo with cocktail reception will be held at 6 p.m. in Upper Concourse.

MONDAY, 20 FEBRUARY

| PLENARY-MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 1 | COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2 |
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| <p>Item 4: Environment and development</p> <p>Symposium "Environmental change and global responses in 2012"</p> <p>Part 1: Panel discussion Part 2: Dialogue with the former Executive Directors of UNEP: "1972-2012 A review of the evolution of global environmental policy and institutional architecture"</p> | <p>Organization of the work of the Committee Election of the Rapporteur Introductory statement by the secretariat</p> <p>Item 4: Environment and development</p> <p>N.B. Detailed programme of the Committee of the Whole will be decided at its first meeting on Monday, 20 February.</p> |

| PARTNERSHIP MEETING 6-8 p.m. Conference Room 13 |
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| Eye-on –Earth – Global network of networks special initiative stakeholder meeting |

| SOCIAL EVENT 6-8 p.m. Fountain area |
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| Reception hosted by the Government of Kenya |

TUESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY

| BREAKFAST EVENT 8.30-10 a.m. Conference Room 12 | BREAKFAST EVENT 8.30-9.30 a.m. Conference Room 13 |
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| Briefing and open dialogue with the secretariat of the UNCSO on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development | Meeting of the Network of Women Ministers and Leaders for the Environment |

| MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 1 | COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 2 |
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| <p>Item 4: Environment and development</p> <p>Green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication</p> <p>Plenary from 10 to 11.15 a.m. followed by 5 parallel ministerial roundtable discussions from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in rooms 3, 4, 9, 10 & 12</p> <p>N.B. Civil Society Representatives in the plenary and in each MRT</p> | <p>Item 4: Environment and development</p> |

| PRESS CONFERENCE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 1-1.30 p.m. Press Centre |
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| African launch of the International Year of Sustainable Energy for all |

| SPECIAL EVENT 1.45-2.45 p.m. Conference Room 12 | SPECIAL EVENT 1.45-2.45 p.m. Conference Room 4 |
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| Securing green economy development through ecosystem management | African launch of the International Year of Sustainable Energy for all |

- In addition, launch event will be organized on Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment of Cape Verde: 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 10

TUESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY

| PLENARY-MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 3-6 p.m. Conference Rooms 1 | COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2 |
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| <p>Item 4: Environment and development</p> <p>Institutional framework for sustainable development</p> <p>Plenary from 3 to 4.15 p.m. followed by 5 parallel ministerial roundtable discussions from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in rooms 3, 4, 9, 10 & 12</p> <p>N.B. Civil Society Representatives in the plenary and in each MRT</p> | <p>Item 4: Environment and development</p> |

| PARTNERSHIP MEETING 6.30-8 p.m. Conference Room 13 |
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| Eye-on –Earth – Global network of networks special initiative stakeholder meeting |

| SOCIAL FUNCTION 6-10 p.m. Open area near the main lobby (E only) |
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| UNEP Sasakawa Prize Legacy and UNEP 40th anniversary gala dinner |

| Meeting of the "Friends of the President" 9-10 p.m. Conference Room 7 |
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| <i>A meeting of the Friends of the President with the support by the Rapporteur of the Council and the rapporteurs of the ministerial roundtables to prepare a draft summary of the President.</i> |

WEDNESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY

| BREAKFAST EVENT 8-9 a.m. Conference Room 12 | BREAKFAST EVENT 9-10 a.m. Conference Room 13 |
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| Major groups and stakeholders meeting on sustainable development goals | Resilient people, resilient planet: A future worth choosing: The report of the High-level Panel of the UN Secretary-General on Global Sustainability |

| PARTNERSHIP MEETING 8.30-10 a.m. Conference Room 10 |
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| Eye-on –Earth – Global network of networks special initiative stakeholder meeting |

| MINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 1 | COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Conference Room 2 |
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| Item 4: Environment and development Moderated plenary discussion on Rio+20 and beyond: responding to the challenges N.B. Civil Society representatives MEAs Executive Secretaries | Item 5: Other matters Adoption of the report and conclusion of the work of the Committee |

| PRESS CONFERENCE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 1-1.30 p.m. Press Centre |
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| Closing press conference |

| SPECIAL EVENT 1.45-2.45 p.m. Conference Room 12 | SPECIAL EVENT 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 13 |
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| Sustainable consumption and production for a systemic change: from Rio to Rio+20 and beyond | Sustainable development goals – organized by the Government of Colombia |

In addition, a presentation will be organized on UNEP-Live: Keeping the future state of the world environment under review, demonstration will be organized on UNEP-Live: 1.30-2.30 p.m. Conference Room 10

WEDNESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY**PLENARY**
3-6 p.m. Conference Room 2

Item 3: Credentials of the representatives

Item 5: Other matters

Item 6: Adoption of the report

Report of the President on the outcome of the Ministerial Consultations

Adoption of the report of the Committee of the Whole

Adoption of decisions

Item 7: Closure of the session