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Programme of meetings

Wednesday, 13 June 2012

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

Third session

10:00

1st meeting

Pavilion 3-2

Opening remarks by the Co-Chair (Republic of Korea)

Election of officers [item 1]

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters ([A/CONF.216/PC/10](#)) [item 2]

Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations

Draft outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development [item 3]

Statement by the Secretary-General of the Conference

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Delegations are requested to inform the Secretariat, *as soon as possible*, of any changes of their level of participation in the Conference (e-mails heddachem@un.org and muturi@un.org).

List of side events

The list of side events on the occasion of the third meeting of the Preparatory Committee and the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development appears in an annex (in English only) to the current issue of the *Journal*, and can also be consulted at the following address: www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/meetings_sidevents.html. For further information, please contact Mr. Zvetolyub Basmajiev, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail basmajiev@un.org).

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Dialogue with Major Groups

18:00 to 19:30

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Working Group 2

20:00 to 21:00

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Working Group 1

21:00 to 22:00

Pavilion 3-2

[Additional information on the session and on the preparations for UNCSD 2012 (Rio+20) can be found at www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/index.html. Delegations are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Kenji Nakano (e-mails sharma7@un.org and olvida@un.org). Scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

[The compilation text of the draft outcome document is available on the Rio+20 Web site, at www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/. Delegations are also reminded that a password-protected Rio+20 e-discussion forum has been created to enable an exchange on the draft outcome document of the Conference. Delegations wishing to subscribe to the e-discussion forum are requested to contact the UNCSD secretariat (e-mail uncsd2012@un.org).]

[The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) will be servicing the session in a PaperSmart way. Delegations and participants attending the meeting are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets, to avail themselves of the PaperSmart Portal. The Portal is available for delegations participating in the session of the Preparatory Committee, at the following address: <http://Rio20.un.org/papersmart>. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org).]

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Announcement

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Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative.

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Pavilion 3 — Main room media centre (TV and webcast)  [\[webcast\]](#)

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| 13:00 | Mr. Sha Zukang, Secretary-General of the Rio+20 Conference; and Mr. Luiz Alberto Figueiredo Machado, Executive Secretary, Brazil National Commission for Rio+20
[<i>Moderator:</i> Ms. Pragati Pascale, Spokesperson of the Rio+20 Conference] (Rio+20: Where we stand at the start of the Third Preparatory Meeting) (on the goals and objectives for Rio+20; and on the state of the negotiations on the outcome document of the Conference, at the start of the third and final session of the Preparatory Committee) |
| 13:30 | Department of Public Information (background briefing on logistics for journalists covering the Conference) |
| 15:30 | Speakers to be confirmed (“With high hopes and deep concerns: Civil society digs in for Rio+20”) |

Forthcoming official meetings

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Announcements

Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Conference

A letter dated 29 May 2012 from the Secretariat addressed to the Chairs of regional groups requested the nomination of interested candidates (5 candidates per regional group) for the election of the Vice-Presidents of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development. The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so *as soon as possible*. Communications and inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Anne Kwak (e-mail kwaks@un.org).

Round tables

All delegations (all States Members of the United Nations, the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and the European Union, in its capacity as observer) wishing to participate in the round tables, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 66/197 ([A/RES/66/197](#)), are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, *by 12 noon, on Thursday, 14 June 2012, in writing*, by e-mail (Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (del-vasto@un.org)), indicating the name and level of the participant and the preferred round table. A background note on the round tables has been issued in document [A/CONF.216/4](#).

Inscription, maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis, is open. Statements in the round tables should not exceed three minutes. Any inquiry should be directed to Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org).

The deadline for inscription by United Nations system entities and other accredited intergovernmental organizations to the round tables has expired. For inquiries in this regard, please contact Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org)

General information

More details on the information below are available in document [A/CONF.216/INF/1](#).

Information for participants

A note by the Secretariat entitled “Information for participants” has been issued in document [A/CONF.216/INF/1](#), with details on the following: date and venue of the Conference; secretariat of the Conference; opening of the Conference and seating arrangements; agenda and programme of work; requests for meetings; interpretation; documentation; access and accreditation of delegates; credentials; list of participants; participation of intergovernmental organizations; access and accreditation of specialized agencies and related organizations; participation of representatives of United Nations funds and programmes and other entities; media arrangements and services; access and accreditation for non-governmental organizations and other major groups; security; side events; visa requirements; car parking; transportation; services to persons with disabilities; health; medication; currency; telephone communications; electricity and power outlets; mobile telephones; climate; attire; and other useful information.

Distribution of official documents

All information and documents related to the meeting will be delivered through the Integrated Sustainable PaperSmart Services (ISPS) portal at the following address: <https://rio20.un.org/papersmart>. The official documentation of the Conference will be issued digitally and in an accessible format at the conference site in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. Participants will also be able to request documents in hard copy through the ISPS print-on-demand service available at any ISPS desk at Riocentro. ISPS print-on-demand services will also be provided in Braille, upon request, at an ISPS desk or by sending a request specifying the language to PaperSmart@un.org. ISPS desks will be located in various places in the pavilions and also inside some conference rooms. For further information, please contact the ISPS secretariat (e-mail PaperSmart@un.org).

To access the Wi-Fi network at the conference centre, delegations and participants attending the Conference are encouraged to carry their laptops or mobile devices, including tablets, to the meetings.

Circulation of written statements

Delegations and participants on the list of speakers who wish to circulate their statements in the Plenary Hall are requested to provide an electronic copy of their statements by e-mailing them to PaperSmart@un.org for uploading to the ISPS portal as soon as available and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. A hard copy of the statement may also be submitted to the ISPS desk in the conference room for uploading to the ISPS portal and/or for interpretation services. Statements will be made available to participants only when delegations deliver them.

Programme of the day

The official programme of the day will be available both through the *Journal* and the ISPS portal at <https://rio20.un.org/papersmart>. The list of side events will also be available for download through the ISPS Portal.

Live webcast coverage

United Nations webcast services will provide live and on-demand coverage of the plenary, round tables and press briefings and conferences at <http://webtv.un.org>, in English and the original language of the speaker. Press briefings and coverage of the dialogue days will be available in English and Portuguese.