Wednesday, 17 July 2019

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11:45: Panel discussion 2
12:55: Closing segment

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 1 July 2019, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

10:00
Informal informal consultations (closed)
Conference Room 11
On the political declaration of the high-level meeting on universal health coverage

Threats to international peace and security
S/2019/407

15:00
8574th meeting (closed)
Economic and Social Council Chamber
Adoption of the agenda
Meeting of the Security Council with the troop- and police-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B
United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

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Link: Website
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General Assembly
Seventy-third session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 - 13:00
Closed meeting
Conference Room 10

15:00 - 18:00
Closed meeting
Executive meeting
Conference Room 10

Human Rights Council

Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination

10:00 - 13:00
Closed meeting
Conference Room 6

15:00 - 18:00
Closed meeting
Conference Room 6
Economic and Social Council
Session 2019

High-level political forum on sustainable development

09:00 - 11:00 13th meeting  ⬇️ [webcast] Conference Room 4
Overflow room: Trusteeship Council Chamber

Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality - Item 2

Review of Sustainable Development Goals 4, 8, 10, 13, 16 and 17 - Item 2 (a)

Sustainable Development Goal 17
Keynote address(es)
Interactive panel discussion

11:00 - 14:00 14th meeting  ⬇️ [webcast] Conference Room 4
Overflow room: Trusteeship Council Chamber

Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality - Item 2

Voluntary national reviews – Item 2 (c)

Panel presentations
Azerbaijan
Philippines
Sierra Leone
Chile

Interactive discussion
Panel presentations
Guatemala
Indonesia
Turkey

Interactive discussion

15:00 - 18:00 15th meeting  ⬇️ [webcast] Conference Room 4
Overflow room: Conference Room 1

Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality - Item 2
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Interactive panel discussion

Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality - Item 2

Wrap-up session

Statement: Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-agency Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Statement: President of the Economic and Social Council

Open to all Member States of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies, as well as the major groups and other relevant stakeholders.

Additional information is available on the website of the High-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council.

For further details, please contact: Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development.

The list of speakers is open.

Statements in the general debate should not exceed *four minutes* when speaking in a national capacity, and *six minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers by Member States and Observer States should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE.

Inscriptions on the list of speakers will close by 17:00, on 15 July 2019.

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Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions that do not have access to e-Speakers wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Economic and Social Council.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal.

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Links: Annotated programme, Short programme, Website, Information Note for Participants, PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, More Info, Side Events, VNR Labs, List of Exhibitions

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-third session

16 July 2019
15:00 99th plenary meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall
Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields - Item 14

High-level plenary meeting to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development

A High-level plenary meeting held pursuant to General Assembly resolution A/RES/73/303 of 28 June 2019.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 28 June 2019, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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18 July 2019
10:00 Informal meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber
On the observance of the annual Nelson Mandela International Day

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 July 2019, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

17 July 2019
10:00 Informal informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 12
Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Twelfth meeting
29 July 2019
10:00 - 13:00
15:00 - 18:00

Pursuant to paragraph 334 of General Assembly resolution 73/124, the Secretary-General was requested to convene, in 2019, the twelfth meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole.

Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, indicating in particular whether speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in this event, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, by Friday, 26 July 2019.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

Links: Website and PaperSmart

Contacts: DOALOS (doalos@un.org, 917-367-0560), PaperSmart (papersmart@un.org), Vita Onwuasoanya (onwuasoanya@un.org)

Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction
Third session
19 August 2019
15:00 - 18:00
39th meeting


Background information and related documentation for the Conference, including a Note by the President containing the draft text of an agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction, are available on the website of the Conference.
Credentials of representatives to the third session of the Conference signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3604, S-3639 or S-3608) (if possible by 12 August 2019).

A scanned copy of the credentials of representatives, as well as other communications containing the names of representatives to the third session of the Conference (such as letters and notes verbales from the Permanent Missions), should be submitted through the e-Credentials module in e-deleGATE portal.

States wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers under item 5 of the provisional agenda, “General exchange of views”, are invited to contact the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs.

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Contacts: Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) (doalos@un.org), PaperSmart (papersmart5@un.org), Charlotte Salpin (list of speakers) (salpin@un.org)

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Fiftieth session
29 July 2019

10:00 - 13:00  Closed meeting  Conference Room 6
15:00 - 18:00  Closed meeting  Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 1 July 2019 to Friday, 26 July 2019, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

There will also be closed plenary meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 29 July 2019 to Friday, 2 August 2019, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 5 August 2019 to Friday, 9 August 2019, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).
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Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management  
Ninth session  
7-9 August 2019

10:00 - 13:00  
1st meeting  
Conference Room 4

Due to the limited number of seats available in Conference Room 4, only Member States and observers that will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat by 12:00, on 2 August 2019, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room.

All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Link: [Website](#)  
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Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 11 July 2019

Economic and Social Council  
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High-level political forum on sustainable development

[archived video]

9th meeting

Review of Sustainable Development Goals 4, 8, 10, 13, 16 and 17 - Item 2 (a)

Discussion on SDG 10: “Reduce inequality within and among countries”

The Vice-President of the Council (Belarus) opened the meeting and made a statement.

The representative of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs presented a statistical snapshot on SDG 10.

The discussion was moderated by the Director of the Center on International Cooperation at New York University, Ms. Sarah Cliffe, who made a statement and conducted a live polling in preparation for the interactive discussion.

Statements were made by the following resource persons: Justice Edwin Cameron of the Constitutional Court of South Africa; Lecturer in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School, Affiliated Professor at the Harvard Graduate School of Design, and Senior Advisor for Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing Network, Ms. Martha Chen; the Assistant Director-General of the Economic and Social Development Department of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.
Nations, Mr. Máximo Torero Cullen; and the Dean of the Graduate School of Ewha Womans University of Korea, Ms. Eun Mee Kim.

Statements were also made by the lead discussants: the Secretary General of the International Federation on Ageing, Ms. Jane Barratt; the Executive Director of the Fiji Women’s Rights Movement, Ms. Nalini Singh; and the Director of Development Finance International, Mr. Matthew Martin.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the resource persons responded to comments made and questions posed by the representatives of the Republic of Korea (on behalf of the member countries of the Group of Friends of SDG 10: Argentina, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, the Czech Republic, El Salvador, France, Guatemala, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands, Peru, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Switzerland, Tunisia and Viet Nam), Israel, Finland, Zambia, France, Norway, El Salvador, Poland, Thailand, the Netherlands, Indonesia, Sweden, Bangladesh, Nepal, the Czech Republic, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Azerbaijan, Mexico, Switzerland, the European Union, Niger, Guatemala, Spain, Morocco, Viet Nam; the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, China, Germany and the Philippines.

A statement was made by the representative of the International Criminal Police Organization.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following major groups: non-governmental organizations, and workers and trade unions; as well as by the following other stakeholder groups: LGBTI, Together 2030, and education and academia.

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**Friday, 12 July 2019**

**Economic and Social Council**

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**High-level political forum on sustainable development**

[archived video]

10th meeting

Review of Sustainable Development Goals 4, 8, 10, 13, 16 and 17 - Item 2 (a)

Discussion on SDG 13 “Climate Action”

The Vice-President of the Council (Morocco) opened the meeting and made a statement.

Keynote statement

The forum heard a keynote statement by the United Nation Secretary-General’s Special Envoy for the 2019 Climate Action Summit, Mr. Luis Alfonso de Alba.

The discussion was moderated by the Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Mr. Ovais Sarmad, who made a statement.

The forum heard presentations by the following speakers: the Minister of Environment of Chile, and President of COP-25 of UNFCCC, Her Excellency Carolina Schmidt; the Co-Chair of the Secretary-General’s Climate Science Advisory Group, Ms. Leena Srivastava; the Deputy Executive Director of the Green Climate Fund, Mr. Javier Manzanares; the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, Ms. Mami Mizutori; the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, Ms. Rola Dashti; the
Commissioner of New York City Mayor’s Office for International Affairs, Ms. Penny Abeywardena; Chairman of Xiamen Airlines of China, Mr. Zhao Dong; and a young farmer, WFO, of the Farmers’ Major Group, Ms. Dimakatso (Nono) Sekhoto.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the speakers responded to comments made and questions posed by the representatives of Jamaica, Israel, Germany, China, the Marshall Islands (on behalf of the Pacific Small Island Developing States), Sweden, Poland, Viet Nam, Malawi (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Switzerland, Mexico, the Russian Federation, Indonesia, Nepal, Norway, Portugal, France, Côte d’Ivoire, the Niger, Finland, Spain, Thailand, the European Union, South Africa, Morocco, the Republic of Korea, Maldives, Belize (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States), Ghana, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Netherlands, the United Republic of Tanzania, Romania, Turkey, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, New Zealand, Guyana, the United Arab Emirates and Canada.

Statements were made by the observers of the Islamic Development Bank and the International Renewable Energy Agency, as well as the representative of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Statements were also made by the major groups for indigenous peoples, local authorities, the scientific and technological community and NGOs, as well as the other stakeholder group of the Sendai Stakeholder Engagement Mechanism.

The Vice-President of the Council made a concluding statement.

The summary of the 11th and 12th meetings of the High-level political forum on sustainable development will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2019/136).

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Monday, 15 July 2019

High-Level event on the launch of “The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World (SOFI) 2019” (A/RES/73/253) (co-organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), the World Food Programme (WFP) and the World Health Organization (WHO))

10:00 - 13:00 [webcast]
Conference Room 1

Links: Registration, More Info
Contact: Isabela Cunha (cunhai@un.org, 212-963-0990)


10:00 - 13:00
Conference Room 8

Contact: Amy Tianyi Zhao (tianyi.zhao@unitar.org, 212-963-9196)

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

11:00 - 13:00
Closed meeting
Conference Room 2

Event entitled “Gender Diversity Beyond Binaries” (A/HRC/RES/32/2) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and the Netherlands, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), OutRight International, UN GLOBE and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women))

15:30 - 17:00
Trusteeship Council Chamber

Links: Registration, More Info
Contact: Michael Stewart-Evans (michael.evans@unwomen.org, 646-781-4826)

Event entitled “World Youth Skills Day 2019” (A/RES/69/145) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Portugal and Sri Lanka, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the International Labour Organization (ILO), and the Office of the Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth)

15:00 - 18:00
Conference Room 3

Link: United Nations Observances
Contact: Athraja de Silva (doc_officer@slmission.com, 212-986-7040)
Press conferences

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Event entitled ‘Local Action for Global Commitments” (A/RES/71/256) (co-organized by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the International Labour Organization, the United Nations Capital Development Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, UN Global Compact, UN-Habitat and Local2030)

16 – 17 July 2019
10:00 - 13:00
15:00 - 18:00
Conference Room 11

Contact: Kerry Constabile (constabile@un.org; 212-963-6583)

Event entitled “Launch of the United Nations Decade of Family Farming (2019-2028): synergies and main contributions to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” (A/RES/73/239) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and France, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

16 July 2019
15:00 - 17:00 [webcast]

Links: Registration, More Info

Contact: David Maciejewski (maciejewski@un.org, 212-963-0989)
Event entitled “Use of ICTs to Combat Trafficking in Persons” on the occasion of World Day against Trafficking in Persons (30 July) (A/RES/68/192) (co-organized by the Group of Friends United against Human Trafficking, the Inter-Agency Coordination Group against Trafficking in Persons (ICAT), the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and “Equality Now”)

16 July 2019
15:00 - 18:00
Conference Room 8

Link: United Nations Observances
Contact: Dmitry Yarkovich (usaun@mfa.gov.by)

Briefing by the Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization (at the ambassadorial level)
(Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States)

19 July 2019
15:00 - 18:00
Closed
Conference Room 11

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