



*****Media accreditation for the Summit now open until 9 September 2015*****

UN Sustainable Development Summit (25-27 September)
Over 100 world leaders to gather at historic summit in New York
for adoption of new sustainable development agenda

“The Summit will chart a new era of sustainable development in which poverty will be eradicated, prosperity shared and the core drivers of climate change tackled.”

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

WHAT

Over 100 Heads of State and Government are confirmed to attend the UN Sustainable Development Summit for the adoption of an ambitious, bold and universal sustainable development agenda that will end poverty and promote prosperity by 2030, while addressing the environment. The summit outcome document, entitled *“Transforming our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,”* was agreed on by the 193 Member States of the United Nations, and includes 17 Sustainable Development Goals. In addition to statements by world leaders at the plenary meeting and interactive dialogues on key sustainable development issues, a number of side events are expected to focus on specific initiatives.

WHO

Heads of State and Government, joined by leaders from civil society, religious groups and the private sector

WHEN

25-27 September 2015 (before the annual high-level debate of the General Assembly, 28 September – 6 October)

WHERE

United Nations Headquarters, New York

WHY

With 2015 set as the target year for the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), a new agenda is needed to address the three interconnected elements of sustainable development: economic growth, social inclusion and environmental sustainability. The MDGs have proven that goal setting can lift millions out of poverty. However, with 17 new Sustainable Development Goals that apply to all, we can go further to end all forms of poverty and ensure no one is left behind. The new agenda is also universal. It is for all people in all countries. More focus will be placed on the mobilization of resources and the follow-up and review of the implementation of the goals.

TIMELINE

- **The Opening of the Summit**
Opening statements by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the Presidents of Uganda and Denmark and a representative of civil society will follow musical performances, as well as an address by Malala Yousafzai.
- **Interactive Dialogues**
During the summit, there will be six interactive dialogues around the following themes: ending poverty and hunger; tackling inequalities, empowering women and girls and leaving no one behind; fostering sustainable economic growth, transformation and promoting sustainable consumption and production; protecting our planet and combatting climate change; building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions to achieve sustainable development; and delivering on a revitalized Global Partnership.
- **Launch of Technology Facilitation Mechanism**
A Technology Facilitation Mechanism, to be launched at the September Summit, will address the technology needs of developing countries, the options to address those needs as well as capacity-building. Recognizing the central role of technological cooperation for the achievement of sustainable development, countries agreed on this mechanism at the Financing for Development Conference.
- **Private Sector Forum**
26 September - A private sector forum, hosted by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, will focus on the role of the private sector in implementing the sustainable development goals.
- **Civil Society Event**
27 September – This event will be hosted by the UN Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS) and Beyond 2015.

KEY MEDIA INFORMATION

Media accreditation for the UN Sustainable Development Summit, as well as the 70th Session of the General Assembly, will be open until 9 September. Go to:

<http://www.un.org/en/media/accreditation/UNGA70.shtml>

Broadcast: UNTV will cover the Summit live between 25 to 27 September. TV packages will be available to broadcasters through *Unifeed* at www.unmultimedia.org/tv/unifeed/

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