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ПРОГРАММА ОРГАНИЗАЦИИ ОБЪЕДИНЕННЫХ НАЦИЙ ПО ОКРУЖАЮЩЕЙ СРЕДЕ

Draft Agenda *European Regional Consultation Meeting* *In preparation for the 10th Global Civil Society Forum (GCSF)* *17-18 November 2008, Geneva, Switzerland*

Day 1. Monday 17 November 2008

- 09:00 - 09:30 **Opening session**
- Welcoming remarks by a representative of the Major Groups Facilitating Committee (MGFC)
 - Welcoming remarks by the Regional Director for Europe, UNEP
- 9:30 - 10:00 **Election of meeting officers and adoption of the meeting agenda**
- Option of producing regional statement or key messages
- Facilitator: MGFC members
- 10:00 – 10:15 *Coffee break*
- 10:15 - 10: 45 **Session 1: Introduction to the UNEP GCSF cycle and the achievements during the last cycle**
- Purpose of the GCSF cycle and expected outcomes
 - Description of the GC/GMEF: potential engagement opportunities
 - Selection criteria for two regional representatives to the GCSF and GC/GMEF to be given
 - Q&A
- Key note speaker: MGFC members
Facilitator: MGFC members
- 10:45 – 11:30 **Session 2: 25th GC/GMEF themes: Globalization and the Environment: International Environmental Governance and the UN Reform: The Programme of Work (POW) 2010-11.**
- Globalization and the Environment: Global Crises: National Chaos?; International Environmental Governance and the UN Reform: IEG: Help or Hindrance?
- Key note speaker: John Scanlon (video/teleconference) tbc
- 11:15-12:30 • The Programme of Work (POW) 2010-11: Discussion of UNEP six priority areas: Climate Change (Adaptation) Disasters and Conflicts Environmental Governance, Harmful Substances and Hazardous Wastes (Mercury), Ecosystem Management, Resource Efficiency-Sustainable Consumption and production. Civil Society implementation of POW
- Key note speaker: Felix Dodds

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- 12:15 – 12:45
- Discussion with an emphasis on the implications for UNEP's work in Europe and the role of Civil Society

12:45 – 13:00 Keynote Speaker: UNEP ROE Office (tbc)

Q&A

Facilitator: MGFC

13:00-14:00 *Lunch and visits to UNEP Offices*

- 14:00 – 14:30
- Mercury and Chemicals Management

Q&A

Keynote speaker: UNEP ROE Office (tbc)

14:30 – 18:30 **Session 3: Break-out groups on the specific topics of the POW 2010-11**

Three groups deliberating on the six topics of the POW. Questions will be given to each group to discuss two topics in the context of regional strategic directions/challenges:

Group 1. Climate Change / Resource Efficiency;

Group 2. International Environmental Governance / Ecosystem Services;

Group 3. Disasters and Conflict and Harmful Substances / Hazardous Waste.

Questions:

1. What are your views regarding the priorities of the Programme of Work (POW), taking into consideration the current environmental challenges and UNEP's comparative advantage?
2. With reference to the on-going work of Stakeholder Forum, that has been presented earlier in the agenda, what would be your suggestions on how to strengthen the engagement of the major groups in the implementation of the POW?

Facilitator: MGFC members

19:00 – 21:00 *Dinner hosted by UNEP/ROE*

Day 2. Tuesday 18 November 2008

9:00 - 10:30 **Session 4: Break-out groups (cont'd)**

Facilitator: MGFC members

10:30 – 10:45 *Coffee Break*

10:45 – 11:30 **Session 5: Groups report back from the Break-out Sessions**

Facilitator: MGFC members

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- 11:30 – 12:30 **Session 6: Discussion of Meeting Outcomes and consolidation of key messages/regional statement**
Facilitator: MGFC members
- 12:30 – 13:00 **Session 7: Selection of the two sponsored regional representatives to the GCSF and the GC/GMEF**

Facilitator: MGFC
- 13:00 – 13:30 **Session 8: Meeting Evaluation**

Facilitator: MGFC
- 13:00 – 14:00 **Session 9: Closing Session**
Closing Remarks by Co-Facilitators
Closing Remarks by Director, UNEP Regional Office for Europe

Facilitator: ROE

14:00 – 15:00 Lunch

- 15:00 – 18:00 **Meeting of UNEP National Committees on the future of National Committees**
Facilitator: ROE