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Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Bureau of the
19th Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development
(16 November 2010, UN Headquarters, New York)

Introduction

1. The second meeting of the Bureau of the 19th session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD-19) took place on 16 November 2010 in New York.
2. The following attended the meeting:

Bureau Members

- x H.E. Mr. László Borbély, Minister

importance of mining agenda during forthcoming CSD-19 session. While appreciating the assistance received from DSD, he noted that the presentation made by the DSD set a very positive tone for discussions at the Forum. The Forum discussed a paper on sustainable mining practices in the last five years which will soon be released by the IGF. The paper does not set an ambitious agenda; instead it documents sustainable practices in mining, necessity for capacity building, ways of dealing with downstream consequences of mining, as well as technical aspects such as abandoned and orphaned mines. Malawi being the current Chair of IGF will submit this paper to CSD-19. Regarding consultations with his regional group, Amb. Goledzinowski mentioned that he had shared all necessary documentation with the group but received very little feedback implying that the group is satisfied with the preparations for CSD-19.

6. Mr. Meñez briefed about the Senior Expert Group Meeting on Sustainable Development of Lithium Resources in Latin America: Emerging Issues and Opportunities which he attended from 10 – 11 November in Santiago, Chile. He delivered opening remarks outlining the activities of the Bureau. He stated that this meeting was not only relevant for transport where lithium is used in hybrid vehicles, but for other CSD-19 themes as well. Sustainable development of lithium resources has implications for recycling, SCP and waste management. Outcome of the meeting will be in the form of a draft set of conclusions which will be released soon and presented at CSD-19. While he received relatively little feedback from his group on the preparations of CSD-19, he availed the opportunity to discuss CSD-19 agenda with the relevant national authorities of his country (Philippines) who are preparing for active participation in both IPM and CSD-19. In relation to the themes of the current cycle, he added the relevance of a number of resolutions currently being negotiated by the Second Committee under sustainable development agenda item.

7. Mr. Banuri informed about the 3rd Meeting of the Regional EST (Environmentally Sustainable Transport) Forum in Asia, which was held from 23 – 25 August 2010 in Bangkok, Thailand organized jointly by the Ministry of Environment of Japan, United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD), Ministry of Natural Resources and

which will be subject to extensive negotiations at CSD-19. Mr. Chaudhry suggested that the Bureau may consider sharing the list of these issues with their regional groups to gain a better understanding of groups' positions on various issues. Minister Borbély concurred with this idea and requested the Secretariat to prepare in due course an "Issue Paper" highlighting the important, as well as the potentially sensitive issues. The Bureau members will then share it with their respective constituencies.

10. **Revised organization of work for the IPM (See Annex 2):** Mr Chaudhry pointed out the only one change that was made in the organization of work. This change refers to organizing an additional multistakeholder dialogue on the first half of last day on "expectations from CSD-19 within the context of Rio+20" given the apparent linkages between the themes of cycle and green economy. After some discussion, the revised organization of work was adopted.

11. **Short-list of panellists being contacted for the IPM:** The Bureau was informed that all panellists on the list have been contacted to determine their availability, and that more than half of them have already indicated their acceptance. In response to a suggestion for ensuring balance in regional representation and in between North-South experts, the Secretariat mentioned that opposed panellists were chosen using these criteria, and invited the Bureau members to provide additional names of experts, if they wish so. Minister Borbély proposed not to invite more than 3 panellists for each thematic session so that sufficient time could be allocated for discussion among the Member States. Bearing the above in mind, the list of panellists was approved.

Agenda item 3 Presentation on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns- SCP (See Annexes 3, 4 and 5)

12. Ms. Carpentier made a presentation (Annex 5) that was divided into two parts. The first part of the presentation was on SCP as importance, including evolution of SCP agenda and major challenges to consider in the context of CSD-19. The second part of the presentation dealt with the High-Level intersessional meeting on SCP in Panama. She framed the discussion on SCP in line with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities. The meeting was reminded about previous intergovernmental decisions on SCP, namely in CSD-2 in 1994, and that SCP has been subject to discussion in each session as a cross-cutting issue since the adoption of the multi-year work programme in CSD-11.

13. Reporting on the progress achieved in advancing the SCP agenda, Ms. Carpentier enumerated efforts made to reduce energy material intensities; expansion of guidelines for consumer protection to include SCP; establishment of National Cleaner Production Centers; better shared knowledge on buildings and construction, product including evolution

being from environmental degradation and making possible upward convergence of living standards together with downward convergence of ecological footprints.

14. The High-Level intersessional meeting in Panama will target to achieve the following objectives: broad understanding of the main features of and main functions to be served by a 10YFP on SCP; enhanced understanding of the usefulness and relevance of different organizational models for the design of a 10YFP; emerging consensus on the key structural elements of a 10YFP; concrete suggestions on the means of implementation to ensure adequate and sustainable resources for programme implementation under the 10YFP. The meeting will also contribute towards strengthening the technical capacity of participants for providing inputs to the formulation of a coherent and effective 10YFP at the CSD-19.

15. DSD/DESA in cooperation with UNEP is preparing two background documents for the meeting. These documents will be ready by mid-December and will be made available on the CSD-19 website. One paper evaluates the six potential institutional arrangements for the 10YFP against a pre-established criterion, while the other aims to present a compilation of programs with potential for scaling up. Member States, UN system and Major Groups have been invited to submit such programs; and a template for this purpose has already been placed on the CSD-19 website.

16. The Bureau noted that SCP is an important cross-cutting issue. Progress on SCP agenda is an absolute necessity for advancing sustainable development, thus this session can provide important contributions to Rio+20 conference and its preparatory process. The Chair underlined the importance of the two background documents since these would provide the main ingredients to the 10YFP as a basis for discussion at the intersessional meeting in Panama. The Chair encouraged the Bureau members to engage in consultations with their regional groups and reach out to other stakeholders to prepare grounds for meaningful negotiations during CSD-19. In this regard, he called for the preparation of a non-paper on 10YFP that could serve as basis for discussions with the regional groups. He requested the Secretariat to organize briefings for groups so that Member States are well informed about the contents of the two background documents and what we intend to achieve at the Panama meeting. He further underscored the importance of ensuring good preparation of documentation and the meetings ahead and counted on effective inter-agency cooperation in this regard.

Agenda item 4 Discussion on Intersessional Meetings

17. Mr. Chandavarkar informed the Bureau about two remaining intersessional meetings on waste management, one in Rabat, Morocco, that will take place from 25 – 26 November and the other one in Japan in mid-February 2011 with exact dates to be confirmed. The Morocco meeting will bring together 50 practitioners from African countries who will discuss ways and means to address waste management challenges with emphasis on e-waste and municipal waste, including the usefulness of 3R approach and looking upon waste as a resource. The Morocco document will be in the form of a Chair's summary as well as a Rabat Declaration highlighting policy options and way

forward for sustainable waste management (See Annex 6). The meeting in Japan will particularly look at building partnerships with civil society and private sector in this area.

18. Given the importance of SCP meeting in the context of CSD-19, Minister Borbély encouraged all Bureau members to attend the meeting. To raise the profile and encourage attendance to the meeting, he proposed that a letter of invitation signed both by him as the Chair and Minister Arias Iriarte as the Co-Chair and host of the meeting be sent to all participants, following the invitations already sent out by UN DESA and UNEP.

19. Minister Borbély informed that he will attend the intersessional meeting in Japan as well as the meeting of the UNEP Governing Council, both in February 2011.

Agenda item 5 Other Business

20. *Proposal for division for work among the Bureau members (Annex 7):*

- x Secretariat to make arrangements for briefing of delegates by the Bureau on the preparations of IPM and CSD-19.
- x Next Bureau meeting will take place at the margins of Panama intersessional meeting.

Annexes:

Annex 1: Agenda of the meeting

Annex 2: Adopted organization of work of IPM

Annex 3: Provisional agenda for High-level meeting on SCP in Panama

Annex 4: Concept note for High-level meeting on SCP in Panama

Annex 5: Sustainable production and consumption – power point presentation

Annex 6: Concept note on intersessional meeting in Morocco on waste management

Annex 7: Division of work among the Bureau members

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AGENDA OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE
BUREAU OF THE 19TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON

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CSD-19 Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting
Provisional Organization of Work

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ANNEX-3

High-Level CSD Intersessional Meeting on
a 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production

13-14 January 2011
Panama City, Panama

Provisional Agenda

Wednesday, 12 January 2011 – unofficial part
Global Major groups and multistakeholder forum (TBC)

Thursday, 13th January 2011

Opening Session

Introduction and stage setting

- 09:00-09:20 - Welcome Remarks by H.E. ~~Mr~~ ~~M~~ ~~av~~ ~~ier~~ ~~A~~ ~~rias~~ ~~I~~ ~~ri~~ ~~arte~~, Administrator General of the National Environmental Authority of Panama and Vice-Chair of CSD19
- Opening Remarks by H.E. Mr. Lászlo Borbély, Minister of Environment and Forestry of Romania and Chair of CSD19
- 09:20-09:30 Objectives of the intersessional meeting and roadmap to CSD 19 by Mr. Tariq Banuri, Director of the Division for Sustainable Development, DESA, United Nations
- 09:30-09:40 Follow-up from the Marrakech Process: Opportunities for CSD 19 by Sylvie Lemmet, Director, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, UNEP
- 09:40-9:55 Vision, Goals and Objectives of the 10YFP by H.E. Mr. Lászlo Borbély, Chair of CSD-19
- 9:55-11:00 Plenary discussion regarding the Vision, goals and objectives of the 10YFP

11:00-11:15: Coffee Break

Session 1

13:25-14:45: Lunch

14:45-15:45: Plenary discussion on the structure of 10YFP

Session 2

Session 5

Putting the pieces together

Co-chairs: Country i, country j

15:15–15:30 Summary of discussion: bringing the structure of the 10YFP and the programmes together

15:30–17:00 Plenary discussion on an effective 10YFP: means of implementation and of monitoring progress

17:00-17:15: Coffee Break

Concluding session

17:15-17:30 Progress so far: what, might do, and to do, by H.E. Mr. Javier Arias Iriarte

17:30-18:00 Way forward and concluding remarks, by H.E. Mr. Lars Löfdahl

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CSD Intersessional Meeting on a 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production

Panama City, Panama, 13 – 14 January 2010

1. Background

The 19th session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) will deliberate, inter alia, on a ten-year framework of programmes (10YFP) on sustainable consumption and production (SCP). This responds to the mandate contained in the intergovernmentally agreed Johannesburg Plan of Implementation (JPOI) to “encourage and promote the development of a 10-year framework of programmes in support of regional and national initiatives to accelerate the shift towards sustainable consumption and production ...” (JPOI, III, 14).

The Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting (IPM), from 28 February to 4 March 2011, will result in a Chair’s text that will serve as basis for negotiation of a 10YFP at CSD-19. In order that the groundwork laid for fruitful discussion at the IPM, it is proposed to hold a high-level Intersessional Meeting on a 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production, on 13-14 January 2011, Panama City, Panama.

The meeting will be organized by the United Nations Division for Sustainable Development (DSD) of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Government of Panama. H.E. Mr. Javier Arias Iriarte, Administrator General National Authority on the Environment of the Republic of Panama, is currently Vice-Chair of the Commission on Sustainable Development.

The Intersessional Meeting will provide an opportunity for Member States, Major Groups and other stakeholders to elaborate the ideas presented at CSD-18 for developing a 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production (10YFP) and to consider options for structuring the 10YFP. It will also build technical capacity of participants in order to enable them to successfully and meaningfully participate in the negotiating policy session of CSD19.

The Government of Panama has graciously offered to host this important Intersessional Meeting, and a Host Country Agreement is currently being discussed with the relevant authorities.

2. Objectives

The two-day meeting aims to foster a productive dialogue on potential key structural elements as well as key programmes of a 10YFP, as well as the means of implementation necessary to ensure sustainability of such a framework and its programmes. It will also increase technical capacity of participants in the area of SDGs. This Intersessional Meeting should result in the following outcomes:

- Broad understanding of the main features and main functions to be served by a 10YFP on SCP

¹ Three previous ones having been organized under the Marrakech Process in Marrakech, Morocco, San Jose, Costa Rica and Stockholm, Sweden, respectively.

- Enhanced understanding of the uses and relevance of different organizational models for the design of a 10YFP. Emerging consensus on the key structural elements of a 10YFP and the key programmes for inclusion at launch
- Concrete suggestions on the means of implementation to ensure adequate and sustainable resources for programme implementation under a 10YFP
- Strengthened technical capacity of participants to contribute to the formulation of a coherent and effective 10YFP at the IPM and CSD-19.

3. Format

The meeting is to be organized in plenary sessions and parallel working group discussions (see Provisional Agenda in annex). The meeting begins with opening remarks of the host and the Chair of CSD-19 followed by presentations from DESA and UNEP. Following this, the CSD-19 Chair will present his vision of what might be achieved at CSD-19 in the domain of sustainable consumption and production.

Following the opening plenary, there will be a discussion regarding the vision, goals and objectives of the 10YFP. The plenary will then break-out to parallel group discussions of possible models for a 10YFP, evaluated against key functions which such a framework is meant to perform, viz., knowledge and information sharing, inter-organizational coordination, technical cooperation and financing. Another plenary and break-out group sessions will consider possible programmes for inclusion in a 10YFP. A final plenary will consider the means of implementation and monitoring of progress, to ensure both sustainability and effectiveness.

The report of the Intersessional Meeting will be transmitted by the Panamanian Vice-Chair of CSD-19 to the IPM and will also become an official document of CSD-19

4. Participants

Invitations will be issued to a group of approximately 220 participants. The list of participants will be determined by the United Nations in consultation with the Government prior to the holding of the Meeting.

Three staff members of DSD/DESA are expected to participate to provide substantive support for the Ministerial Dialogue. The following provides an estimation of the breakdown of the broad number of participants that the Department of Economic and Social Affairs will be supporting: (i) up to 100 developing countries and countries with economies in transition (30 participants from Africa, 25 participants from Asia, 16 participants from Latin America and Caribbean, and 10 participants from Eastern Europe.); (ii) up to 15 resource persons selected by the United Nations; (iii) up to 20 local government officials selected by the Government (iv) up to 8 major group participants (excluding business); and (v) up to 15 officials from the United Nations and other participants invited by the United Nations and the Government, including representatives of regional and international organizations and the United Nations system. Their travel costs include transportation and DSA based on a three day stay plus terminal expenses. For each country sponsorship would be for one representative. This is to enable the full constructive engagement of the selected

countries in the Ministerial Dialogue, and so that developing countries are represented in a manner comparable to developed countries.

5. Venue and dates

CSD Intersessional Meeting on a 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production is to be held at "Hotel El Panamá España No.111", Panama, Republic of Panama, from 13 to 14 January 2011.

The meeting is to be organized as a cooperative undertaking of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, UNEP and the Government of Panama.

6. Expected Accomplishments and Outputs

The Government of Panama, as host of the High-Level Intersessional Meeting on a 10YFP on SCP, is expected to present a report of the meeting to the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting, scheduled for late February 2011 and it will also become an official document of CSD-19.

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See power point presentation in a separate file

World Bank, it is common for municipalities in developing countries to spend 20 per cent to 50 per cent of their available budget on solid waste management. In some developing countries, collection alone drains up 80 per cent to 90 per cent of municipal solid waste management budgets.

The complexity and daunting nature of waste management challenges require a deeper collaboration among different stakeholders, governments, society, private sector, local communities, and the UN system. Governments and public utilities facing enormous resource challenges in providing quality public services are increasingly looking towards collaboration with the private sector to help deliver their public service mandate. However, in practice, the policy environment in developing countries has not been very conducive to private sector participation in provision of waste management services and investing in waste management infrastructure.

In practice, such collaboration or partnerships could create win-win solutions for both the public utilities and private sector, if duly supported by appropriate policy frameworks. For example, such partnerships could lead to savings in municipal budgets, of which a large portion is often used for waste management. The private sector, on the other hand, may use this opportunity to convert waste into valuable resources.

It is expected that the meeting will contribute to the following:

- Enhanced participants' awareness about technology, policy and finance options to address waste management challenges;
- Enhanced capacity to identify opportunities for building partnerships for expanding waste management services;
- Empowered local governments in addressing economics of solid waste management and a better understanding of policy frameworks and economic instruments available

4. Participants

Participation in the meeting will be by invitation only. It is expected that some 80 managers/experts/participants from developing and developed countries from around the world and from the host country will attend the event, including: Senior managers of public waste management utilities (municipalities), private service providers, community-managed waste management programmes, mayors of selected cities, selected national government officials and policymakers, representatives of UN and international institutions, including international financial institutions, donors, waste management experts.

DESA will cover the cost of 24 participants from developing African countries and UN-Habitat and UNEP will cover the cost of the remaining 25 participants. The cost of participation of the remaining participants from developed countries, resource persons representing regional and sub-regional organizations, international agencies both, within and outside the UN system, will be covered by their organizations.

5. Venue and Dates

The meeting will be held in Rabat, Morocco from 25 to 26 November 2010 at the Institut International de l'Eau et de l'Assainissement in Rabat.

6. Budget

The proposed DSD project budget from Section 22 funds is US\$ 50,362 to cover travel expenses, DSA and terminal expenses for 24 participants from developing African countries and one staff servicing the meeting. UN-Habitat and UNEP will cover the remainder \$50,000 and \$20,000 respectively.

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Proposal for Division of Work among Bureau Members
IPM of CSD-19, 28 Feb to 4 Mar 2011

Session/Activity/Event	Date/Time*	Chair/Responsibility
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