

UNITED NATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS
DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
(CSD SECRETARIAT)

Minutes of the First Meeting of the Bureau of the
19th Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development
(23 September 2010, UN Headquarters, New York)

Introduction

1. The first meeting of the Bureau of the 19th session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD-19) took place on 23 September 2010 in New York.
2. The following attended the meeting:

Bureau Members

- x H.E. Mr. László Borbély, Minister of Environment and Forests (Romania)
- x H.E. Mr. Javier Arias Inarte, Minister of Environment (Panama)
- x Ambassador Andrew Goledzinowski, Deputy Permanent Representative (Australia)
- x Mr. Eduardo Meñez, Minister Plenipotentiary (Philippines)
- x Mr. Abdelghani Merabet, Third Secretary (Algeria) partially attended

Secretariat

- x Mr. Tariq Banuri, Director, DSD/DESA,
- x Mr. Aslam Chaudhry, Chief, Global Policy Branch, DSD/DESA,
- x Mr. David O'Connor, Chief Policy Analysts and Networks Branch, DSD/DESA
- x Ms. Irena Zubcevic, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, DSD/DESA
- x Ms. Chantal line Carpentier, Sustainable Development Officer, DSD/DESA
- x Ms Vivian Pliner (DGACM), Secretary of the CSD

3. Proposed agenda was adopted. It is attached at Annex 1.

Agenda Item 1: Introduction of Bureau Members and Secretariat Staff

4. Minister Borbély welcomed the participants and mentioned that making progress on the themes of current cycle is extremely important for advancing the implementation of sustainable development. The CSD-19 should be viewed as an opportunity to move the SCP agenda further since progress has been made in terms of raising awareness, cooperation and implementing policies in selected areas. The 10YFP should provide incentives for all stakeholders to engage in and support concrete SCP-related initiatives. Minister Borbély expressed his commitment to work closely with all stakeholders, including Bureau members and the Secretariat, to ensure that expectations from CSD-19 are met. He emphasized the need for engaging all stakeholders in the preparatory process.

5. In his opening remarks, Mr. Banuri mentioned that all five themes of the current cycle are important in their own specific contexts, and CSD-19 could make an important contribution towards reaching an agreement on 10 YFP on SCP. He noted that SCP has been permanently on the CSD agenda, as a cross-cutting issue, and is relevant to the themes defined for the Rio+20 Conference. As such, this session's outcomes will make important contributions to the

preparatory process of Rio+20 conference. In briefing about key innovations introduced in the organization of work of CSD over the last 50 years, specific mention was made of the initiative aimed at establishing a Task Force for accelerating the implementation of CSD decisions. This initiative being developed in partnership with the Chair/Bureau of CSD-17 will ensure mainstreaming of CSD decisions into national development policies and plans.

6. At the invitation of the Chair, other members of the Bureau introduced themselves and made short remarks.

- x Minister Arias mentioned three priorities for Panama in relation to the themes of the current cycle, namely mining, waste management and transport. He mentioned that recently large quantities of copper and gold were found in Panama and the Government is examining best possible ways for sustainable mining of these resources. The meeting was also informed about the actions being undertaken for management of waste, as well as about the status of building the first subway in Panama.
- x Ambassador Goledzinowski stated that Australia has long been at the forefront of

15. The Bureau was informed about two possible innovations that might be introduced in the organization of work of CSD-19. First, an inter-sessional meeting/seminar for the delegates of the 2nd committee in between the IPM and CSD-19 is being planned with the objective to enhance their understanding about the policy options and practical measures to be negotiated during the main session (Chair's summary of IPM will serve as the reference document).



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FIRST MEETING OF THE
BUREAU OF THE 19TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 23 September 2010
TIME: 9:30 to 11:30 am
VENUE: Conference Room, 22nd Floor, Two United Nations Plaza
(DC-2 Building), New York

PROPOSED AGENDA

Adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 1: Introduction of Bureau members and Secretariat staff

- a. Welcome remarks (Chair of CSD-19)
- b. Introductory remarks (Director, DSD/DESA)
- c. Introduction of Vice-Chairs and Secretariat staff

Agenda item 2: Updates by the Secretariat

- a. General briefing about the CSD process
- b. Preparation of Secretary-General's reports: status and process
- c. Other documentation and background material
- d. Inter-sessional meetings

Agenda item 3: Organization of Work for IPM and CSD-19

- a. Main elements of the draft organization work for IPM
- b. Preliminary draft organization of work for CSD-19
- c. Chair's summary (preparation of draft negotiating text)

Agenda item 4: Other Business

- a. Resource mobilization
- b. Future schedule of Bureau meetings
- c. Any other business

Expected decisions

- x *Agreement on the organization of work of IPM*
- x *Agreement on the next steps towards IPM and CSD-19*

CSD-19 Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting
Provisional Organization of Work*

	Monday 28 February 2011	Tuesday 01 March 2011	Wednesday 02 March 2011	Thursday 03 March 2011	Friday 04 March 2011
AM	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary
10:00 am to 1:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>f</i> Opening of the IPM <i>f</i> Adoption of the agenda and organization of work <i>f</i> Reporting on intersessional meetings <i>f</i> Group statements <i>f</i> Statements by Regional Commissions 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Transport</u></p> <p>Policy options to address barriers and constraints, taking into account lessons learned and best practices</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Waste Management</u></p> <p>Policy options to address barriers and constraints, taking into account lessons learned and best practices</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SCP</u></p> <p>Policy options to address barriers and constraints, taking into account lessons learned and best practices</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Multistakeholder Dialogue</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Advancing the Implementation of Sustainable Development (Themes of CSD-18/19 Cluster)</p>
CR-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>f</i> Statements by Major Groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>f</i> Introduction of SG report <i>f</i> Panel discussion <i>f</i> Interactive discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>f</i> Introduction of SG report <i>f</i> Panel discussion <i>f</i> Interactive discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>f</i> Introduction of SG report <i>f</i> Panel discussion <i>f</i> Interactive discussions 	
PM	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary	Plenary

CSD-19: PRIVISIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WORK*

	Monday, 2 May 2011	Tuesday, 3 May 2011	Wednesday, 4 May 2011	Thursday, 5 May 2011	Friday, 6 May 2011
	Conf. Room 4	Conf. Rooms 4 and 2	Conf. Rooms 4 and 2	Conf. Rooms 4 and 2	Conf. Rooms 4 and 2

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HIGH -LEVEL SEGMENT (HLS)

Monday 9 May 2011	Tuesday 10 May 2011	Wednesday 11 May 2011	Thursday 12 May 2011	
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