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MEDIA ADVISORY

Global leaders to convene at UN to galvanize bold action to achieve anti poverty goals, set new course towards sustainable future

A number of major events during the high level week of the UN General Assembly will focus on accelerating achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and setting the roadmap for agreeing on a sustainable development framework beyond the 2015 MDG target date.

- WHO:** Heads of State and Government, joined by leaders from the private sector, civil society organizations, philanthropists and senior UN officials
- WHEN:** 23-27 September 2013, with more events occurring before and after
- WHERE:** United Nations Headquarters, New York, and surrounding venues
- WHAT:** Key intergovernmental events taking place include the President of the General Assembly's Special Event on the MDGs (25 September) and the High level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (24 September). Dozens of other meetings and side events by governments, UN agencies and leaders from civil society, foundations and the private sector will inform these two events and are expected to result in announcements of new actions.

KEY EVENTS:

The President of the General Assembly's Special Event on the MDGs 25 September, 9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

The President of the General Assembly will host a Special Event towards achieving the MDGs, at which UN Member States are also expected to set a roadmap for defining the post 2015 sustainable development agenda. Details at: www.un.org/millenniumgoals/specialevent.shtml

A Life of Dignity for All

The Secretary General will present his annual report on accelerating the MDGs – which this year includes his recommendations on the post 2015 development agenda – to UN

**Inaugural meeting of the High level Political Forum on sustainable development
24 September, 3.00 – 7.00 p.m.**

The High level Political Forum (HLPF), established as an outcome of the Rio+20 conference, will bring Heads of State and Government together every four years to promote the implementation of sustainable development and address new challenges. The HLPF will also meet annually at the ministerial level on sustainable development issues. The closing session of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on 20 September, will lead up to the inaugural meeting of the HLPF, which will assume the functions of the CSD at a higher level.

MDG Success: Accelerating Action, Partnering for Impact

23 September, 10.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.

Trusteeship Council, UN Headquarters

Hosted by United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki moon,

brings together Heads of State and

Government as well as leaders from the private sector, civil society, philanthropy and international organizations to catalyze further progress to achieve the MDGs.

Focusing on concrete examples of scaling up success and identifying opportunities for further action with an ~~commitment~~ h

11.00 a.m. Press conference by high level participants in *MDG Success: Accelerating Action, Partnering for Impact*

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**All press conferences and official events as well as some side events
will be webcast at webtv.un.org**

EVENTS

Several announcements of new actions are expected to be made at events organized by Governments, UN agencies, leaders from civil society, foundations and the private sector, at the UN or elsewhere in New York City, including the following:

16 September TEDxUNPlaza event supported by the Division of Sustainable Development of UN DESA and the

24 September

3.00 – 7.00 p.m. Inaugural session of **High level Political Forum on sustainable development**, UN Headquarters. See above. Press contact: Dan Shepard, shepard@un.org, +1 212 963 9495

5.00 – 7.30 p.m. **MDG Advocacy Group Innovation Forum**, UN Headquarters.
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25 September, 9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m. The President of the General Assembly's Special Event on