



## **UNDG meeting**

19 February 2016, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM,  
DC1 21<sup>st</sup> Floor Hank Shannon Conference Room, New York

### **Annotated Agenda**

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**9:30-9:45**      **Opening** (Helen Clark, UNDG Chair)

The UNDG Chair will reflect on recent results, ongoing activities and upcoming priorities of the UNDG, including the UNDG's role in support of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, the follow-up of the CEB 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session 2015 and the preparations for the CEB 1<sup>st</sup> Regular Session 2016 on 27-28 April.

**9:45-10:05**      **Item 1: 2016 ECOSOC Operational Activities Segment and Second Phase of the ECOSOC Dialogue on the Longer-term Positioning of the UNDS** (Thomas Gass, UN DESA)

The UNDG will be briefed on the preparations for the ECOSOC Operational Activities Segment (OAS) on 22-24 Feb. 2016, which will be informed by the 2016 Secretary General's Report of the QCPR, as well as on the next phase of the ECOSOC dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the UN development system, including the newly-established Independent Team of Advisors.

**Background documents:**

- ECOSOC OAS draft programme (9 Feb)
- 2016 Secretary General's Report on the implementation of the QCPR
- Roadmap for ECOSOC Dialogue (9 Feb)
- List of Independent Team of Advisors (ITA) to the ECOSOC Bureau
- Draft ITA calendar of work

**10:05-10:15**      **Item 2: Briefing on recent and ongoing work of the ASG Advisory Group**  
(Jan Beagle, ASG Advisory Group Chair)

The Chair of the ASG Advisory Group will brief the UNDG on recent and ongoing work of the Group and upcoming priorities for 2016. At its most recent meeting on 18/19 Nov. 2015, the UNDG Principals Advisory Group agreed on core principles and strategic actions, which are expected to guide the UNDG's support for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

**Background document:**

- UNDG delivering together in support of the 2030 Agenda

### 10:15-11:45 Item 3: UNDG items for decision:

#### 10:15-10:30 a) UNDG key messages for a strategic 2016 QCPR

(Olav Kjørven / John Hendra, Co-Chairs of the informal group on the QCPR)

At its meeting on 26 June 2015, the UNDG established an informal group to explore the proposal of a system-wide strategic framework for the UN development system in the context of the 2016 QCPR. The UNDG is requested to endorse the set of key messages developed by the group with a view to being used during the ECOSOC Operational Activities Segment and the ECOSOC Dialogue.

#### Background documents:

- UNDG key messages for 2016 QCPR
- Decision sheet

#### 10:30-10:45 b) Theory of Change for the UNDS to function as a system for relevance, strategic positioning and results (John Hendra, Senior Coordinator for UN Fit-for-Purpose)

At its meeting on 26 June 2015, the UNDG agreed to develop a robust theory of change for an impactful contribution of the UN development system towards the new development agenda. This work has been led by the Senior Coordinator for UN Fit-for-Purpose. The UNDG is requested to endorse the Theory of Change as “Version 1.0.” to inform UNDG strategic priorities and the second phase of the ECOSOC Dialogue. A “Version 2.0” could subsequently be developed to encompass more explicitly how the UNDS would work in a more integrated matter in transition and conflict-affected countries and that could serve as a collective theory of change for the entire UN system.

#### Background documents:

- Theory of Change “Version 1.0” summary paper
- Decision sheet

#### 10:45-11:00 c) Universality and the 2030 Agenda (SD Working Group Co-Chairs)

The UNDG Sustainable Development Working Group has led a structured discussion on the topic of universality and its implications for the UN development system, including at a workshop in late September 2015. The UNDG is requested to endorse the resulting note, which outlines a number of actions that require further consideration and follow-up by UNDG working mechanisms, and which is expected to put the UNDG in a better position to support the implementation of an agenda for sustainable development that is universal in nature.

#### Background documents:

- Universality and the 2030 Agenda discussion note
- Decision sheet

**11:00-11:15 d) UNDG conflict and development analysis tool** (Transition WG Co-Chairs)

The Conflict and Development Analysis (CDA) tool provides guidance to UNCTs on conducting conflict analysis to further a common understanding amongst UN personnel and to inform high-level strategy and programme design. The UNDG is requested to endorse the CDA tool with a view to supporting RCs and UNCTs along with other UN actors (when present) in developing solid conflict analysis to inform broader joint country analysis and assessments, including in the lead-up to developing new UNDAFs.

**Background documents:**

- Conflict and Development Analysis (CDA) tool  
(please note the length of the tool due to its modular structure and consider only printing the introduction)
- Decision sheet

**11:15-11:45 e) 2016 UNDG work plan** (UNDG Vice-Chair)

The UNDG is expected to adopt the 2016 work plan, which will operationalize the UNDG Strategic Priorities 2013-16 in their final year of implementation and give direction to UNDG efforts at the global, regional and country level to facilitate a step change in the quality and impact of UN support at the country level. UNDG working mechanisms, Regional UNDG Teams and DOCO will subsequently be expected to fully align and refine their work plans at the activity level. UNDG Working Groups have also submitted their results reports for 2015, which will inform the preparation of the 2015 UNDG Results Report.

**Background documents:**

- 2016 UNDG work plan
- 2015 results reports of UNDG Working Groups
- Decision sheet

**11:45-12:00 Item 4: AOB**

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