



UNDG meeting

21 February 2013, 9:30 AM - 12:30 Noon (EST)

DC1-21st Floor Hank Shannon Conference Room, New York

Annotated Agenda

9:30-10:10 **[For discussion]** **Item 1: Introduction by the UNDG Chair** (Helen Clark)

10:10-10:40 **[For discussion]** **Item 2: Implementation of the QCPR** (Navid Hanif, UN DESA)

Background: On 21 December 2012, the UN General Assembly adopted a landmark resolution (A/Res/67/226) on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of UN operational activities for development (QCPR). The QCPR will frame the operational activities of the UN funds, programmes and specialized agencies for the period 2013-2016. A detailed implementation plan will be forwarded to all UN entities by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs in consultation with the UNDG. The next set of UNDG Strategic Priorities will be fully aligned with the QCPR both in content and in duration. The ASG Advisory Group recommends that the UNDG also develop a common action plan on the implementation of the QCPR, which streamlines and prioritizes the mandates contained in the QCPR.

Background documents:

- QCPR Resolution A/Res/67/226
- Three QCPR matrices prepared by DESA
- Summary of action points, ASG Advisory Group meeting 28 January 2013

10:40-11:10 **[For decision]** **Item 3: UNDG strategic priorities 2013-2016 and UNDG work plan 2013** (UNDG Advisory Group Chair, Yoka Brandt)

Background: In order to respond to the QCPR and global development priorities the UNDG will develop a new set of Strategic Priorities 2013-2016. The UNDG Strategic Priorities are expected to 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. The UNDG Strategic Priorities will be operationalized through two biannual UNDG work plans to be implemented by the UNDG working mechanisms, Regional UNDG Teams, Resident Coordinators and UN Country Teams, the UN Development Operations Coordination Office and UNDG member entities.

Background documents:

- Decision sheet UNDG Strategic Priorities 2013-2016
- Draft UNDG Strategic Priorities 2013-2016

- Submission from UNDG ECHA Working Group on Transition
- UNDG ECHA Working group on Transition Retreat Summary

11:10-11:40 [For decision] Item 4: Standard Operating Procedures for Delivering as One
(UNDG High Level Group Chair, Anne Birgitte Albrechtsen)

Background: The QCPR requests the UN development system to provide programme countries that choose to adopt the Delivering as One approach with an integrated package of support comprising Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). The UNDG ASG Advisory Group formed a High Level Group to oversee the development of the SOPs in full collaboration with relevant UNDG Working Mechanisms and HLCM Networks as well as Regional UNDG Teams. The draft SOPs presented to the UNDG for endorsement are designed to enable UNCTs to fully and successfully implement Delivering as One. A number of enabling actions and decisions to be addressed by UN headquarters are outlined in the Plan of Action for Headquarters in the annex of the SOPs.

Background documents:

- Decision sheet Standard Operating Procedures for Delivering as One
- Draft Standard Operating Procedures for Delivering as One

11:40-12:15 [For information] Item 5: UNDG Review of RC system funding modalities
(UNDG Task Team Chair, Hans d'Orville)

Background: In response to ECOSOC resolution 2011/7, the UNDG conducted a review of existing funding modalities in support of the Resident Coordinator system, including appropriate cost-sharing arrangements among relevant UN organizations. The QCPR has requested the Secretary-General to submit concrete proposals on the modalities for the funding of the RC system to ECOSOC and the General Assembly in 2013. Further to the UNDG meeting on 19 September 2012, the UNDG Task Team submitted its recommendations in its final report, which has been reviewed by the UNDG Principals Advisory Group. The outcome of the UNDG review is currently being validated by the HLCM before the UNDG Chair will submit a final set of recommendations for endorsement to UNDG Principals and subsequently to the Secretary-General and the CEB.

Background documents:

- Report of the UNDG Task Team on RC system funding modalities

12:15-12:30 [For discussion] Item 6: AOB