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NEW WEBSITES WITHIN THE UN SYSTEM

UN in General

The Partnership between the UN and the EU

The United Nations and the European Commission working together in Development and Humanitarian Cooperation

<http://www.unric.org/html/english/pdf/UN-EC%20Report.pdf>

This first-ever report, entitled “The Partnership between the UN and the EU”, outlines in detail what the cooperation between the two organizations achieved ‘on the ground’ in 2005.

General Assembly 62nd session - preliminary list of items (A/62/50)

English, French & Spanish: <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=A/62/50>

The preliminary list of items (A/62/50) has been issued for the 62nd session of the General Assembly (GA), which will convene at UN Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2007. This document shows 160 provisional agenda items, including, inter alia, the maintenance of international peace and security (items 9-44), the promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development (items 45-65), the development of Africa (item 66), the promotion of human rights (items 67-72), disarmament (items 89-107) and drug control (items 108-110).

International Polar Year

<http://www.ipy.org/>

The International Polar Year is a large scientific programme focused on the Arctic and the Antarctic from March 2007 to March 2009, organized through the International Council for Science (ICSU) and the UN's World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's speeches

A quick guide to statements on key issues on the UN agenda

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/infocus/sqspeeches/>

Secretary-General comments on Redesign Panel's recommendations (A/61/758)

English, French & Spanish: <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=A/61/758>

The report of the Redesign Panel on the internal system of administration of justice in the United Nations was issued last summer (A/61/205 -

<http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=A/61/205>). Now the comments of the Secretary-General have been issued (A/61/758). According to the note, the fundamental reasons the UN needs a functioning, well-resourced system of internal justice are: UN staff have no legal recourse to national courts for employment-related grievances; the UN, an organization involved in setting norms and standards and advocating for the rule of law, has a duty to offer staff timely, effective and fair justice; to gain the confidence of both staff and management and thereby promote mutual trust and enhance accountability; and to provide access to all staff, wherever

they are located. The document includes organizational charts for the proposed informal and formal systems of UN internal justice. Financial implications of the proposals are outlined in detail.

Secretary-General's Proposals (A/61/749)

English, French & Spanish: <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=A/61/749>

A new letter from the Secretary-General outlines proposed changes to the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Disarmament Affairs (A/61/749). The current Department of Peacekeeping Operations would be reconfigured to two departments, a Department of Peace Operations and a Department of Field Support. The proposal for the Department for Disarmament Affairs would establish a new office directly reporting to the Secretary-General. The document includes organization charts for the proposed departments.

United Nations Member States – new website

<http://www.un.org/members/>

UN Newsletters, Journals, Bulletins

http://www.unric.org/UNRIC_Library/6.html.

Would you like to know what newsletters are published by the United Nations system on environment issues, what journals are available on education, what bulletins are available on women & gender issues, which UN peacekeeping mission issues its own newsletter?

Then check out the new feature on UNRIC's Library Website at

http://www.unric.org/UNRIC_Library/6.html. Here you can access for the first time a list of journals, newsletters and bulletins published by the United Nations system that are available online and can be accessed free of charge. The list is arranged by subject. Most titles are available in English only but other languages – as and when available – are quoted as well.

Peace & Security

Disarmament

The Secretariat of the Conference on Disarmament has compiled several subject-specific collections of documents. These collect documents on a topic going back historically.

- **CD/INF.51**
English/French: <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=CD/INF.51>
Basic documents of the Conference on Disarmament related to the question of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon states against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons
- **CD/INF.52**
<http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=CD/INF.52>
Documents submitted to the Conference on Disarmament under agenda item "Comprehensive programme of disarmament"
- **CD/INF.53**
<http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=CD/INF.53>
Basic documents of the Conference on Disarmament related to nuclear disarmament
- **CD/INF.54**
<http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=CD/INF.54>
Basic documents of the Conference on Disarmament related to transparency in armaments (not yet available electronically)

Peace Operations Year in Review 2006

http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/pub/year_review06/

The 2006 Peace Operations Year in Review has been issued. In addition to facts and figures and current peacekeeping operations, there are detailed chapters about the peace agreements, ceasefires or cessations of hostilities accomplished with UN political and diplomatic support.

Report of the High-Level Mission to assess the human rights situation in Darfur and the needs of Sudan [Advance Unedited Version]

<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/>

Security Council Sanctions Committees Web site

English: <http://www.un.org/sc/committees/>

French: <http://www.un.org/french/sc/committees/>

Spanish: <http://www.un.org/spanish/sc/committees/index.shtml>

A new Web site for [Security Council Sanctions Committees](http://www.un.org/sc/committees/) has been launched. In addition to providing an overview of Security Council actions regarding sanctions, there are links to specific sanctions committees and some of the affiliated documents, such as travel ban lists, asset freeze lists, and guidelines for certain of the committees.

Economic & Social Development

2007 Meetings and Events of ECOSOC and its Subsidiary Bodies

<http://www.un.org/docs/ecosoc/meetings/2007/>

Afghanistan Opium Winter Assessment Survey (UNODC's survey)

http://www.unodc.org/pdf/research/2007_ORAS.pdf

Divergent trends characterize opium cultivation in Afghanistan this year, with a pronounced divide between the troubled south of the country and the more stable centre-north.

International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) Annual Report 2006

Report: http://www.incb.org/incb/en/annual_report_2006.html

Press Kit: http://www.incb.org/incb/en/press_releases.html

Report – French: http://www.incb.org/incb/fr/annual_report_2006.html

Press Kit – French: http://www.incb.org/incb/fr/press_releases.html

Report – Spanish: http://www.incb.org/incb/es/annual_report_2006.html

Press Kit – Spanish: http://www.incb.org/incb/es/press_releases.html

State of the World's Forests 2007 (FAO report)

English: <http://www.fao.org/docrep/009/a0773e/a0773e00.htm>

French: <http://www.fao.org/docrep/009/a0773f/a0773f00.htm>

Spanish: <http://www.fao.org/docrep/009/a0773s/a0773s00.htm>

A number of regions of the world are reversing centuries of deforestation and are now showing an increase in forest area, according to the new FAO report. The report, which was launched at the

opening of the 18th Session of FAO's Committee on Forestry, underlines the positive effects of economic prosperity and careful forest management in saving forests, noting that over 100 countries have established national forest programmes.

State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture 2006 (FAO report)

English: <http://www.fao.org/docrep/009/A0699e/A0699e00.htm>

French: <http://www.fao.org/docrep/009/a0699f/a0699f00.htm>

Spanish: <http://www.fao.org/docrep/009/a0699s/a0699s00.htm>

Although the proportion of the world's marine fish stocks rated by FAO as overexploited or depleted has remained stable over the past 15 years, the status of certain highly migratory and high-seas species is cause for serious concern.

United Nations Development Group Web site – new Web site

<http://www.undg.org/>

The UNDG develops policies and procedures that allow member agencies to work together and analyse country issues, plan support strategies, implement support programmes, monitor results and advocate for change. In addition to highlighting the One UN Pilot Projects, the site includes information about Achieving the Millennium Development Goals, Common Country Programming Processes, the Resident Coordinator System, Coordination for Transition, Common Services, Common Premises & UN House, Training & Learning, and UN Country Teams. The archives contain a selection of documents related to the work of UNDG.

World Population Prospects: The 2006 Revision

<http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/wpp2006/wpp2006.htm>

The world population continues its path towards population ageing and is on track to surpass 9 billion persons by 2050, as revealed by the newly released 2006 Revision of the official United Nations population estimates and projections. The results of the 2006 Revision -- which provide the population basis for the assessment of trends at the global, regional and national levels, and serve as input for calculating many key indicators in the United Nations system -- incorporate the findings of the most recent national population censuses and of the numerous specialized population surveys carried out around the world.

Human Rights

Special Procedures Bulletin - Third Issue: September-December 2006 (Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights)

http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/chr/special/docs/spb_bulletin3.pdf

Violence Against Women Case Studies (UNFPA report)

<http://www.unfpa.org/publications/detail.cfm?ID=322>

A new study by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) shows that community-based interventions aimed at halting violence against women can yield significant results. "Programming to Address Violence Against Women" offers case studies to show how targeted and planned interventions can reduce gender-based violence. The lessons from the case studies are distilled in a companion booklet, "Ending Violence Against Women: Programming for Prevention, Protection and Care", and an online multimedia exhibit integrates the text from both booklets with videos from each of the ten countries, and links to related UNFPA resources.

NEW INFORMATION MATERIAL

Single copies of the following titles can be ordered via e-mail: info@unric.org

Rapporto sugli Obiettivi di Sviluppo del Millennio 2006.
Nazioni Unite. New York. 2006. 28 p.
Online version: http://www.unric.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=7417

United Nations Conference and Observances (Reference Paper No. 46, February 2007)
Department of Public Information. News and Media Division. 32 p.
Online version: http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2007/Reference_Paper_No_46.doc.htm

The United Nations Democracy Fund.
Published by the Peace and Security Section of the United Nations Department of Public Information and the United Nations Democracy Fund. DPI/2440 – December 2006.
Online version: http://www.un.org/democracyfund/UNDEF_brochure_spread.pdf

United Nations Peace Operations – Year in Review 2006: New challenges, New horizons.
Produced by the Peace and Security Section of the United Nations Department of Public Information.
DPI/2446. February 2007. 40 p.
Online version: http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/pub/year_review06/

Wissenswertes über die Vereinten Nationen.
Vereinte Nationen. New York. 2006. xviii, 406 p.
Online version: <http://www.unric.org/html/german/wissenswertes.pdf>

NEW TITLES added to the library collection in March

I General Information and Reference

Index to Proceedings of the General Assembly: Sixtieth session – 2005/2006 – Part I – Subject Index.

United Nations. New York. 2007. ix, 393 p. (ST/LIB/SER.B/A.69 (Part I))
Sales No. E.07.I.14. ISBN 978-92-1-101143-2.

Résolutions et décisions adoptées par l'Assemblée générale au cours de sa soixantième session:
Volume III, 24 décembre 2005 – 11 septembre 2006.
Assemblée générale. Documents officiels. Soixantième session. Supplément n°49 (A/60/49). 174 p.

Wissenswertes über die Vereinten Nationen.
Vereinte Nationen. New York. 2006. xviii, 406 p.
Online version: <http://www.unric.org/html/german/wissenswertes.pdf>

Yearbook of the United Nations 2004: Volume 58.
United Nations. New York. 2006. xv, 1610 p.
Sales No. E.06.I.1. ISBN 92-1-100966-9.

II.D Trade, Finance and Commerce

Guide des bonnes pratiques en matière d'information sur la gouvernance d'entreprise.
Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2006. vii, 43 p. (UNCTAD/ITE/TEB/2006/3)
Sales No. F.06.II.D.12. ISBN 978-92-1-212333-2.

II.E Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

Competing in a Changing Europe: Opportunities and Challenges for Trade and Enterprise
Development in a Changing Europe.
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2006. viii, 161 p. (ECE/TRADE/342)
Sales No. E.06.II.E.10. ISBN 978-92-1-1169944-7.

Statistical Data Editing: Volume No. 3: Impact on Data Quality.
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2006. viii, 366 p. (ECE/CES/STAT/NONE/2006/3)
E.06.II.E.16. ISBN 978-92-116952-2.

III.D United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Our Planet: Connected Dreams – Globalization and the Environment. February 2007.
United Nations Environment Programme. 26 p.
Online version: http://www.unep.org/OurPlanet/pdfs/OurPlanet_GC24-issue_web.pdf

Nuestro Planeta: Sueños interrelacionados – La globalización y el medio ambiente. Febrero de
2007
Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente. 26 p.
Online version: http://www.unep.org/pdf/ourplanet/OP_Feb07_GC24_sp.pdf

III.E United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

International Yearbook of Industrial Statistics 2007.
United Nations Industrial Development Organization. Vienna. 2007. vi, 686 p.
ISBN 978-1-84720-214-7.

III.T International Trade Centre (UNCTAD/WTO)

Contrats-types du CCI pour les joint ventures visant la création d'une société. (Série : droit des
affaires)
Centre du commerce international. Genève. 2006. vi, 134 p. (ITC/P190.F/TSS/BAS/05-IV)
Sales No. F.05.III.T.7. ISBN 92-9137-327-3.

Exportar Servicios con Éxito: Manual para empresas, asociaciones y gobiernos; Edición
revisada.
Naciones Unidas. Ginebra. 2001. xvi, 184 p. (ITC/P108.S/OMD/TSS/01-XI)
Sales No. S.01.III.T.12. ISBN 92-9137-331-1.

IX Disarmament and Atomic Energy

Disarmament forum, one, 2007: Missile contrôle ? / forum du désarmement, un, 2007: Le contrôle des missiles (UNIDIR - United Nations Institut for Disarmament Research / Institut des Nations Unies pour la Recherche sur le Désarmement)

English online version: http://www.unidir.org/bdd/fiche-periodique.php?ref_periodique=1020-7287-2007-1-en

French online version: http://www.unidir.org/bdd/fiche-periodique-fr.php?ref_periodique=1020-7287-2007-1-fr

XI Narcotic Drugs (including United Nations Office on Drug and Crime - UNODC)

Perspectives, Number 2: Prisons.

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. 23 p.

Online version: <http://www.unodc.org/newsletter/en/perspectives/no02/page001.html>

Rapport de l'Organe international de contrôle des stupéfiants pour 2006.

Nations Unies. New York. 2007. viii, 115 p. (E/INCB/2006/1)

Sales No. F.07.XI.11. ISBN 978-92-1-248152-4.

Online version: http://www.incb.org/incb/fr/annual_report_2006.html

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board 2006.

United Nations. New York. 2007. viii, 104 p. (E/INCB/2006/1)

Sales No. E.07.XI.11. ISBN 978-92-1-148218-8.

Online version: http://www.incb.org/incb/en/annual_report_2006.html

XVII International Statistics

National Accounts Statistics: Main Aggregates and Detailed Tables, 2004; Part II.

United Nations. New York. 2006. xxvi, 1400 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.X/35, Part II)

Sales No. E.05.XVII.8. ISBN 92-1-161484-8.

World Health Organization

Neurological Disorders: public health challenges.

World Health Organization. Geneva. 2007. xi, 218 p.

ISBN 92-4-156336-2.

Online version: http://www.who.int/mental_health/neurology/neurological_disorders_report_web.pdf

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