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New websites within the UN system

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68th Session of the General Assembly – Press Kit

English: <http://www.un.org/en/ga/68/>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/ga/68/>

Spanish: <http://www.un.org/es/ga/68/>

The Department of Public Information's press kit for the forthcoming General Assembly is now available on the UN website in all six official languages. For the first time, in an effort to reduce our carbon footprint and be environmentally friendly, DPI is only publishing the kit electronically, both on the General Assembly website listed above, and via the print-on-demand PaperSmart portal, where the kit can also be viewed and downloaded on mobile devices: <http://papersmart.unmeetings.org/ga68>

High-level Forum: MDG Success - Accelerating Action, Partnering for Impact (23 September 2013)

<http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/mdgpartner.shtml>

On September 23, 2013, the Secretary-General will host a high-level forum to catalyze and accelerate further action to achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and enrich the deliberations of the General Assembly on 24 and 25 September, and beyond.

The forum will focus on concrete examples of scaling up success and identifying further opportunities. The emphasis will be on the "how" – bringing together examples from partnerships across the spectrum of the MDGs and the Secretary-General's multi-stakeholder initiatives and movements, such as Every Woman Every Child, Sustainable Energy for All, Global Education First, Zero Hunger Challenge, the Scaling Up Nutrition Movement, and the Call to Action on Sanitation.

High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (24 September 2013)

<http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/index.php?menu=1556>

The first meeting of the newly established High-level Political Forum on sustainable development will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, 24 September. The new Forum gives a much higher profile to the sustainable development agenda than did the Commission on Sustainable Development. The HLPF will bring world leaders - heads of state and government - together every four years, under the auspices of the General Assembly, to promote the implementation of sustainable development and address new challenges. Their deliberations will translate into a negotiated declaration, which effectively raises the bar for action and results.

Special Event towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals (25 September 2013)

<http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/specialevent.shtml>

<http://www.un.org/en/ga/president/67/issues/mdgs/mdgs.shtml>

High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development (3-4 October 2013)

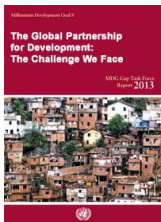
<http://www.un.org/esa/population/meetings/HLD2013/mainhld2013.html>

In its resolution 63/225 of 19 December 2008, the General Assembly decided to devote a high-level dialogue to international migration and development during its sixty-eighth session in 2013. The purpose of the High-level Dialogue is to identify concrete measures to strengthen coherence and cooperation at all levels, with a view to enhancing the benefits of international migration for migrants and countries alike and its important links to development, while reducing its negative implications.

MDG Gap Task Force Report 2013

Millennium Development Goal 8: The Global Partnership for Development - The Challenge We Face

http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/2013_Gap_Report/MDG%20GAP%20Task%20Force%20Report%202013_English.pdf



The report shows that developing countries gained greater access to technologies, markets for their exports, some essential medicines and greater debt relief. Several important targets have been met as a result of collective efforts by the international community, governments, private sector, civil society and other stakeholders. However, the report calls for bolder action in areas such as pollution, child and maternal health, HIV prevention and basic education.

A Million Voices: The World We Want

English, French & Spanish: <http://www.worldwewant2015.org/millionvoices>

The voices of more than 1 million people all over the world were gathered to produce a United Nations report launched on 10 September 2013 that reflects their priorities concerning development issues, which will help Member States shape the post-2015 sustainability agenda. The report is the result of 88 national consultations, 11 thematic dialogues and an online global survey, which were carried out over the past year. The report is meant to help Member States draft a successor framework to the antipoverty targets known as the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), which will expire in 2015.



UN Exhibits

<http://unexhibitsny.org/>

UN Exhibits is the online gallery created to allow people worldwide who do not have the opportunity to see the exhibitions in New York to view them online, thus learning about important themes and issues on the UN agenda. This site includes current and previous.

United Nations System – Chief Executive Board for Coordination (CEB)

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

Welcome to the new CEB website: We have done our best to provide you with more information on the interests and activities of the CEB and its member organizations. Focus has been placed on accessibility and usability, in the hope you find it easier to find material of interest.

UN System Directory

<http://www.unsceb.org/directory>

This page categorizes and links to UN system and related organizations. It replaces the former site www.unsystem.org.

Report of the Hammarskjöld Commission

<http://www.hammarskjoldcommission.org/report/>

The Report of the Commission of Inquiry on whether the evidence now available would justify the United Nations in reopening its inquiry into the death of Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld was presented in The Hague on 9 September 2013.

Peace and Security

Frequently Asked Questions about the United Nations Mission to Investigate the Allegations of the Use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic

http://www.un.org/disarmament/WMD/Secretary-General_Mechanism/

[http://unoda-web.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-](http://unoda-web.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/FAQ_Syria_CW_updated_20092013.pdf)

[content/uploads/2013/09/FAQ_Syria_CW_updated_20092013.pdf](http://unoda-web.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/FAQ_Syria_CW_updated_20092013.pdf)

Report of the United Nations Mission to Investigate Allegations of the Use of Chemical Weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic on the alleged use of chemical weapons in the Ghouta area of Damascus on 21 August 2013 (A/67/997–S/2013/553, 16 September 2013)

English, French, Spanish: <http://undocs.org/S/2013/553>

German: http://www.un.org/Depts/german/sr/sr_sonst/a67-997-s13-553_german.pdf

Factsheet summarizing the Report

English: https://s3.amazonaws.com/unoda-web/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/FS_SG_CW_Bilingue.pdf

German: http://www.un.org/Depts/german/sr/sr_sonst/Factsheet%20DEU_update.pdf

Overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions (A/68/223)

English, French & Spanish: <http://undocs.org/A/68/223>

Political missions deployed in volatile environments around the world are making a proven difference in defusing tensions, bringing countries back from the brink of conflict and building sustainable peace, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said in a comprehensive new report published on 18 September 2013 tracing the history and evolution of these missions and urging strong support to ensure their effectiveness. The UN currently has 37 special political missions, ranging from field-based offices in Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia, to travelling envoys working to mediate political agreements, to expert groups focused on monitoring sanctions of the Security Council.

UNRIC Library Backgrounder: Egypt

html version: <http://www.unric.org/en/unric-library/28650>

pdf version: <http://www.unric.org/html/english/library/backgrounders/egypt.pdf>

United Nations Peacekeeping Operations – Fact Sheet: 31 July 2013

(DPI/1634/Rev.147, August 2013)

English: <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/documents/bnote0713.pdf>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/peacekeeping/resources/statistics/factsheet.shtml>

Spanish: <http://www.un.org/es/peacekeeping/resources/statistics/factsheet.shtml>

United Nations Political and Peacebuilding Missions – Fact Sheet: 31 July 2013

(DPI/2166/Rev.121, August 2013)

English: <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/documents/ppbm.pdf>

French: <https://www.un.org/fr/peacekeeping/documents/ppbmf.pdf>

Economic & Social Development

Food Waste Footprint: Impacts on Natural Resources (FAO)

<http://www.fao.org/docrep/018/i3347e/i3347e.pdf>

The waste of some 1.3 billion tons of food each year is causing economic losses of \$750 billion and significant damage to the environment, according to report launched by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) on 11 September 2013. The report is the first study to analyze the impacts of global food wastage from an environmental perspective, looking specifically at its consequences for the climate, water and land use, and biodiversity. One of the key findings of the report is that food that is produced but not eaten each year guzzles up a volume of water equivalent to the annual flow of Russia's Volga River and is responsible for adding 3.3 billion tonnes of greenhouse gases to the planet's atmosphere. Similarly, 1.4 billion hectares of land – 28 per cent of the world's agricultural area – is used annually to produce food that is lost or wasted. Beyond the environmental impacts, food wastage costs some \$750 billion annually to food producers.

Global Corporate Sustainability Report 2013 (United Nations Global Compact)

http://www.unglobalcompact.org/docs/about_the_gc/Global_Corporate_Sustainability_Report2013.pdf

The flagship report is based on survey responses from nearly 2,000 companies across 113 countries and provides a snapshot of the actions taken by business to embed responsible practices into their strategies, operations and culture. Findings show that companies committed to the UN Global Compact are moving from good intentions to significant actions, addressing sustainability issues – from human rights, labour, environment and anticorruption, to broader societal goals such as education, poverty and health.

Levels & Trends in Child Mortality: Report 2013; Estimates Developed by the UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (UNICEF / WHO / World Bank / UN)

http://www.unicef.org/media/files/2013_IGME_child_mortality_Report.pdf

In 2012, approximately 6.6 million children worldwide – 18,000 children per day – died before reaching their fifth birthday, according to a new report released on 13 September 2013 by UNICEF, the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Bank Group and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs/Population Division. This is roughly half the number of under-fives who died in 1990, when more than 12 million children died.

Office of the UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth – *UNiting for Youth*

English: <http://www.un.org/youthenvoy/>

French: <http://www.un.org/youthenvoy/fr/>

The Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth launched on 5 September 2013 a new online platform to bring the Organization's initiatives closer to young people and engage with them, regardless of their location. This website will not just provide news about UN agencies' work for and with youth, but it will also be a platform for youth-led organizations and youth activists to learn about opportunities to work with the Organization's various entities.

Human Rights

Breaking the Silence on Violence against Indigenous Girls, Adolescents and Young Women: A call to action based on an overview of existing evidence from Africa, Asia Pacific and Latin America (UNICEF / UN Women / UNFPA / ILO / OSRSG/VAC)

http://www.unfpa.org/webdav/site/global/shared/documents/publications/2013/VAIWG_FINAL.pdf

The study assesses the interface between the historical, political, economic, social and cultural contexts of indigenous peoples, and examines the types of violence they face.

Implementing the Roadmap for Achieving the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour by 2016: Training guide for policy makers (ILO)

Training guide: http://www.ilo.org/ipec/Informationresources/WCMS_202336/lang--en/index.htm

Facilitators' Guide: http://www.ilo.org/ipec/Informationresources/WCMS_211784/lang--en/index.htm

The International Labour Office (ILO) has launched a new tool to guide efforts towards the goal of eliminating the worst forms of child labour by 2016. This tool will support worldwide efforts to tackle the issue, head on. It defines the worst forms of child labour, presents key strategies for their elimination, outlines recommended actions for governments, employers', workers' and other civil society organizations and addresses monitoring and evaluation as an essential feature of successful action plans. Complementing the training guide is a Facilitators' Guide that can assist those who wish to facilitate or support training workshops and national consultations. Spanish and French versions of the Training Guide will be released later in 2013.

OHCHR's Database on practical means to combat racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

<http://adsdatabase.ohchr.org/SitePages/Anti-discrimination%20database.aspx>

The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) has launched a new anti-discrimination database compiling materials on measures, practices and legal precedents for use in countering racial discrimination and xenophobia. It currently contains over 1500 documents with contributions from over 90 countries. English is used throughout the database; where available, documents are also in other languages, including French, Arabic, Russian and Spanish.

Why Teach about the Holocaust? (UNESCO)

English: <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0021/002186/218631E.pdf>

French: <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0021/002186/218631F.pdf>

Spanish: <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0021/002186/218631S.pdf>

The Holocaust was a turning point in human history. Understanding its significance, remains of great importance today: it can help students engage in a critical reflection about the root causes of genocide and foster their commitment to nurture peace and human rights as a means to prevent the recurrence of such atrocities.

Why Do Some Men Use Violence against Women and How Can We Prevent It? Quantitative Findings from the UN Multi-country Study on Men and Violence in Asia and the Pacific

http://unwomen-asiapacific.org/docs/WhyDoSomeMenUseViolenceAgainstWomen_P4P_Report.pdf

An unprecedented UN study of 10,000 men in Asia and the Pacific found that half of those interviewed reported using physical and/or sexual violence against a female partner, ranging from 26 per cent to 80 per cent across nine sites studied in six countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Papua New Guinea). Nearly a quarter of the men interviewed reported raping a woman or girl. The study was conducted by Partners for Prevention, a regional joint programme of the UN Development Programme (UNDP), the UN Population Fund (UNFPA), UN Women and United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme in Asia and the Pacific. It asked men about their use and experiences of violence, gendered attitudes and practices, childhood, sexuality, family life and health.

International Law

Maritime Labour Convention (MLC, 2006)

English: <http://www.ilo.org/global/standards/maritime-labour-convention/lang--en/index.htm>

French: <http://www.ilo.org/global/standards/maritime-labour-convention/lang--fr/index.htm>

Spanish: <http://www.ilo.org/global/standards/maritime-labour-convention/lang--es/index.htm>

Text of the Convention in English, French, Spanish, German, Portuguese:

http://www.ilo.org/dyn/normlex/en/f?p=NORMLEXPUB:91:0::NO::P91_INSTRUMENT_ID:312331

The International Labour Organization's "Maritime Labour Convention (MLC, 2006)" came into force on 20 August 2013, inaugurating a new era of decent work for seafarers and fair competition for shipowners in the global shipping industry.

New information material

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

Africa Renewal: "Industrialization – now is the time"

August 2013. 31 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/africarenewal/magazine/august-2013>

Afrique Renouveau: « Industrialisation : Le temps presse »

Août 2013. 31 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/africarenewal/fr/magazine/aout-2013>

Pour un nouveau partenariat mondial : vers l'éradication de la pauvreté et la transformation des économies par le biais du développement durable ; Rapport du Groupe de personnalités de haut niveau chargé du programme de développement pour l'après-2015.

Nations Unies. New York. 2013. 73 p.

Online version: <http://www.post2015hlp.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/post-2015-HLP-report-French.pdf>

Una nueva alianza mundial: erradicar la pobreza y transformar las economías a través del desarrollo sostenible; Informe del Grupo de Alto Nivel de Personas Eminentes sobre la Agenda de Desarrollo Post-2015.

Naciones Unidas. Nueva York. 2013. 73 p.

Online version: http://www.post2015hlp.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/HLPReport_Spanish.pdf

Year in Review: 2012 United Nations Peace Operations.

Produced by the Peace and Security Section, United Nations Department of Public Information.

DPI/2568. June 2013. 71 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/publications/yir/yir2012.pdf>

NEW TITLES added to the library collection in September

II.D Trade, Finance and Commerce

Rapport sur l'investissement dans le monde 2013 : les chaînes de valeur mondiales ; l'investissement et le commerce au service du développement. Vue d'ensemble.

Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2013. xv, 37 p. (UNCTAD/WIR/2013(Overview))

Online version: http://unctad.org/fr/PublicationsLibrary/wir2013overview_fr.pdf

Informe sobre las inversiones en el mundo 2013: las cadenas de valor mundiales; inversión y comercio para el desarrollo. Panorama general.

Naciones Unidas. Nueva York y Ginebra, 2013. xiv, 37 p. (UNCTAD/WIR/2013(Overview))

Online version: http://unctad.org/es/PublicationsLibrary/wir2013overview_es.pdf

Trade and Development Report, 2013: Adjusting to the changing dynamics of the world economy.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2013. xviii, 149 p. (UNCTAD/TDR/2013)

Sales No. E.13.II.D.3. ISBN 978-92-1-112867-3.

Online version: http://unctad.org/en/PublicationsLibrary/tdr2013_en.pdf

V International Law

Annuaire de la Commission du droit international 2005, Volume II : Première partie ; Documents de la cinquante-septième session.
Nations Unies. New York et Genève. 2013. v, 244 p. (A/CN.4/SER.A/2005/Add.1 (Part 1))
Online version: <http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/publications/yearbooks/yearbooks.htm>

Yearbook of the International Law Commission 2006, Volume II, Part One: Documents of the fifty-eighth session.
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2013. vi, 274 p. (A/CN.4/SER.A/2006/Add.1 (Part 1))
Sales No. E.11.V.12. ISBN 978-92-1-133717-4.
Online version: <http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/publications/yearbooks/yearbooks.htm>

XIV Human Rights (including Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - OHCHR)

Promoting and Protecting Minority Rights: Guide for Advocates.
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2012. 177 p. (HR/PUB/12/7)
Sales No. E.13.XIV.1. ISBN 978-92-1154197-7.
Online version: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/HR-PUB-12-07_en.pdf

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<http://www.unric.org/en/unric-library-newsletter>