PANEL DISCUSSION AND RECEPTION

POWERED BY INCLUSIVE SUSTAINABLE GROWTH: WHY AND HOW WE DECIDED TO ALTER COURSE

FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2015, 18:00-21:00,
AT W HOTEL, 541 LEXINGTON AVE/49TH STREET, NEW YORK

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EVENT SUMMARY
The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) - and SDG 8 in particular - highlight the need to put environmental sustainability and social inclusion at the centre of economic frameworks by promoting “sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all”. Achieving all the SDGs will require a major shift in investment flows to transform our economies and infrastructure to achieve prosperity for all on a healthy planet. Given the interdependence of the SDGs, broad interagency and collaborative open partnerships will be needed to ensure a coordinated response for those countries seeking transformative change at global and national levels.

At this event, panellists will explore ideas and options for: 1) creating opportunities and triggering change for more inclusive and greener growth, especially in the context of the SDGs, 2) mobilizing investment and financing at scale, 3) ensuring equitable benefits for all from transition to greener and more inclusive economies, and 4) strengthening advisory mechanisms, networks and partnerships, such as the Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE) and the Poverty-Environment Initiative (PEI), among others, that can support countries in reframing economic policies and practices around sustainability.

INVITED PANELLISTS
H.E. Barbara Hendricks
Minister for Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety, Germany
H.E. Bomo Edna Molewa
Minister of Environmental Affairs, South Africa
H.E. Manuel Pulgar-Vidal
Minister of Environment, Peru
H.E. Tine Sundtoft
Minister for Climate and the Environment, Norway
Neven Mimica
Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
Gilbert Houngbo
Deputy Director-General for Field Operations & Partnerships, International Labour Organization
Achim Steiner
Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme

Moderated by: Magdy Martínez-Solimán
Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations Development Programme

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A reception will follow the Panel Discussion from 20:00. The event is free but registration is mandatory and ID is required for admittance. Please register here by 23 September.