

14th Poverty Environment Partnership (PEP) Meeting
Geneva, Switzerland
31 March – 2 April 2009

Draft Agenda

DAY 1 – TUESDAY 31 MARCH

08:30-09:00 **Registration**

09:00-09:30 **Session 1: Welcome and Introduction**

- Welcome remarks, Ivar Baste, Director, Environment Management Group
- Overview of meeting objectives and agenda, Nara Luvsan, UNEP
- Introduction of participants

09:30-11:00 **Session 2: Addressing Climate Change: Implications for the Poverty/Environment Nexus**

Chairperson: Francis Vorhies, Earthmind

- Climate impacts: What, where and when is the main risk of climate change amongst the poor? Martin Parry, Centre for Environmental Policy, Imperial College London
- Can the solution be found in community-based adaptation ? Saleemul Huq, IIED
- Pro-poor Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation(REDD): evidence so far, David Huberman, IUCN

Plenary discussion:

- Q&A and identification of key issues
- Scope for PEP joint work/product(s)

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 **Session 3: Green Economy and Pro-poor Growth**

Chairperson: Joshua Bishop, IUCN

- Green Economy Initiative and relevance to low-income countries, Pavan Sukhdev, UNEP
- Impacts of the Economic and Financial Crisis, Fulai Sheng, UNEP
- Green Economy for economic growth, job creation and poverty reduction, Nomaan Majid, ILO

- Organic Agriculture and the Green Economy, Alexander Kasterine, ITC and Asad Naqvi, UNEP

Plenary discussion:

- Q&A and identification of key issues
- Scope for PEP joint work/product(s)

13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 **Session 4: Environmental Financing Architecture**

Chairperson: Timothy Geer, WWF

- Landscape and latest evolutions in public financing mechanisms for Environment and Climate Change, Jochen Harnisch, KfW Bankengruppe (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau)
- Improving the poverty alleviation and development linkages of environmental financing architecture, Vicente Paolo B. Yu, South Centre
- Case study 1 – Mobilizing innovative finance and how to work within the financial architecture - Lessons from the Global Mechanism, Simone Quatrini, The Global Mechanism, UNCCD
- Case study 2 – Fit for the Future – Reforming the GEF, Andrea Kutter, GEF Secretariat

Plenary discussion:

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15:30-16:00 Coffee/tea break

16:00-17:30 **Session 5: Break-out Groups**

18:30-20:30 **Reception and Dinner**

Venue: Chateau de Penthes, Chemin de Impératrice 18, Prégny. Tel: 0227344865

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL

09:00-10:30 **Session 6: Mainstreaming Environment into Poverty Reduction and Economic Growth**

Chairperson: Veerle Vandeweerd, UNDP

Lessons from developing country practice:

- Mainstreaming in Africa: David Smith, PEI Africa
- Mainstreaming in Asia Pacific, Sanath Ranawana, PEI Asia
- Best bets, new drivers and upcoming challenges of mainstreaming, Steve Bass, IIED
- Plenary discussion on lessons from other initiatives and emerging short- and long-term needs and challenges, Tom Bigg, IIED

Panel on donor initiatives and challenges in environmental mainstreaming:

- Panelist perspectives:
Aidan Fitzpatrick, Irish Aid
Remy Paris, OECD/DAC
Daniele Ponzi from the Asian Development Bank

Plenary discussion:

- Environmental mainstreaming as a focus of PEP 15 (PEP 15 session purpose, issues, possible preparatory work, options for organizing/hosting)
- Next steps

10:30-11:00 Coffee/Tea Break

11:00-12:30 **Session 7: Scaling-up Local Solutions for Environment, Climate Change and the MDGs – A Catalytic Role for PEP?**

Chairperson: John Fanshawe, Birdlife.

- Growing the wealth of the poor and the 'scaling-up' challenge, Manish Bapna, WRI
- Local organizations – key but neglected agents 'at the end of the MDGs delivery chain', Steve Bass, IIED
- UNDP's emerging strategy on 'Local Capacity and Action for the Environment and Sustainable Development', Veerle Vandeweerd, UNDP

Plenary discussion:

- Q&A and identification of key issues
- Scope for PEP joint work/product(s)?

12:30-13:30 Lunch Break

13:30-15:00 **Session 8: Extension of Plenary Discussion on Green Economy and Pro-poor Growth**

Chairperson: Peter Hazelwood, WRI.

- Green Economy Initiative and low-income countries. Fulai Sheng, UNEP

- 15:00-15:30 Coffee/tea break
- 15:30-17:00 **Session 9: Reports from Break-out Groups**
- 17:00-17:15 **Wrap-up of the meeting**

DAY 3 – THURSDAY 2 APRIL

- 09:00-10:00 **Session 10: PEP Member Updates – Ongoing Work and Publications on Poverty-Environment**

Chairperson: Merete Villum Pedersen, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Denmark

- 10:00-10:15 Coffee break

- 10:15-12:00 **Session 11: PEP External Review and Next Steps**

Chairperson: Timothy Geer, WWF

- Overview of PEP review findings and recommendations, (tbc)

Plenary discussion:

- Implications for future PEP role, operation and activities
- Next steps

- 12:00-12:30 **Meeting Wrap-up**

- Synthesis of PEP 14 outcomes
- Planning for the next PEP meeting

- 12:30 Lunch