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## PROGRAM for North American Major Groups and Stakeholders Consultation

In preparation for the 13<sup>th</sup> UNEP Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum (GMGSF) and the 12<sup>th</sup> Special Session of the UNEP Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF)

**Thursday, October 13, 2011: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Friday, October 14, 2011: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Hosted by World Resources Institute**

10 G Street, NE, Suite 800

Washington, DC 20002

### **October 13**

**08:30 – 09:00 REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**

**09:00 – 09:30 WELCOMING REMARKS**

*Manish Bapna, Executive Director and Interim President, World Resources Institute (WRI)*  
*Amy Fraenkel, Director, UNEP Regional Office for North America (UNEP RONA)*

**09:30 – 10:00 REMARKS BY REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES**

*Vanessa Timmer, Director, One Earth Initiative*  
*Jeffrey Barber, Executive Director and President, Integrative Strategies Forum*

**10:00 – 10:30 WHAT IS RIO+20?**

*Chantal line Carpentier, Sustainable Development Officer & Major Groups Programme Coordinator, UN DESA*

**10:30 – 10:45 COFFEE BREAK**

**10:45 – 11:05 OVERVIEW OF TWO MAIN THEMATIC AREAS**

- **GREEN ECONOMY**

*Steven Stone, Director of Economics and Trade Branch, UNEP*

- **INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

*Henrik Selin, Project Coordinator, Pardee Center Task Force on Governance for a Green Economy*

**11:05 – 11:15 Q&A**

**11:15 – 11:35 STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT/EMERGING ISSUES**

*Ashbindu Singh, Chief, Early Warning Branch, UNEP Division of Early Warning and Assessment*

- **RIO TO RIO**

- **GEO 5 AND UNEP FORESIGHT PROCESS**

**11:35 – 12:30 MAJOR GROUPS PANEL**

*Facilitator: Jacob Scherr, Director, Global Strategy & Advocacy, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)*

- *Business & Industry: TBD*
- *NGO: Hans Herrmann, Executive Director of RCEN*
- *Local Government: Christophe Tulou, Director of Dept. for Environment, Washington, D.C.*
- *Youth: Eden Full, Tunza North America Advisor*

**12:30 – 1:15 LUNCH**

**1:15 – 1:30 U.S. GOVERNMENT VIEWS ON RIO+20**  
*Larry Gumbiner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of Oceans, International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES)*

**1:30 – 1:45 Q&A**

**1:45 – 1:55 FRAMING OF BREAKOUT SESSIONS**  
*Jacob Werksman, Program Director, Institutions and Governance Program, World Resources Institute*

**1:55-2:00 Q&A**

**2:00 – 3:15 BREAKOUT SESSIONS: GREEN ECONOMY**

**3:15 – 3:30 COFFEE BREAK**

**3:30 – 4:00 REPORT BACK FROM BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**4:00 – 5:00 PLENARY, DISCUSSION OF REGIONAL MESSAGES ON GREEN ECONOMY**  
*Facilitator: Jacob Werksman, Program Director, Institutions and Governance Program, World Resources Institute*

## **October 14**

**08:30 – 09:00 REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**

**09:00 – 09:15 REVIEW FROM DAY 1**  
*Amy Fraenkel, Director, UNEP RONA*

**09:05 – 09:15 FRAMING FOR IFSD BREAKOUT SESSION**  
*Lalanath de Silva, Director of The Access Initiative, World Resources Institute*

**09:15 – 9:45 SPEAKER**  
*TBD*

**9:45 – 10:45 BREAKOUT SESSIONS: INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**10:45 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK**

**11:00 – 11:30 REPORT BACK FROM BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**11:30 – 11:40 REGIONAL REPRESENTATION: LESSONS LEARNED**  
*Vanessa Timmer, Director, One Earth Initiative*  
*Jeff Barber, Executive Director and President, Integrative Strategies Forum*

**11:30 – 12:15 SELECTION OF REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES**

*Facilitator: Hilary French, Programme Officer, UNEP RONA*

**12:15 – 1:00**

**CLOSING PLENARY, DISCUSSION OF REGIONAL MESSAGES**

*Facilitator: Lalanath de Silva, Director of The Access Initiative, World Resources Institute*

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