

REGIONAL UN SYSTEM MEETING

- Joint meeting of the Regional Coordination Mechanism and the Regional UNDG Team for Europe and Central Asia -

8 (p.m.)-9 May 2018

UNICEF Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, 5-7 Avenue de la Paix, Geneva, Ground Floor Conference Room

AGENDA

TUESDAY, 8 MAY 2018		
Time	Item	Background documents
15:15-17:00	<p>Item 1: OPENING AND DIALOGUE ON UNDS REFORM AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL <i>(focus: dialogue with the Deputy Secretary-General: state of reform discussions; ways to broaden and optimize the collaborative space for greater impact)</i></p> <p>15:15-15:30: Welcome: Ms. Afshan Khan, UNICEF, Director of the Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia Opening: Ms. Cihan Sultanoglu, Chair R-UNDG Opening: Ms. Olga Algayerova, UNECE Executive Secretary (hands over to the Deputy Secretary-General)</p> <p>15:30-17:00: Dialogue on UNDS Reform Keynote address: Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General (via Skype)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background note on impact • Draft Resolution on Repositioning of UNDS
17:00-17:10	Group photo & Tea/coffee break	
17:10-17:50	<p>Item 2: SDG MAPS MISSIONS – RESULTS, LESSONS LEARNT, PLANS <i>(focus: MAPS missions undertaken in 2018; plans for future; joint UN policy advice; key challenges identified; accelerators to focus the UN support on; briefing on UNDP technical MAPS meeting; roles and responsibilities for MAPS missions)</i></p> <p>Mr. Rastislav Vrbensky, UNDP Deputy Regional Director</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAPS Update and Progress • Regional Technical Dialogue Report – MAPS for Country Platforms
17:50-18:30	<p>Item 3: OUTREACH TO EU INSTITUTIONS AND MEMBER STATES <i>(focus: engagement with the European Commission, Council, European Parliament; UN participation in EU multi-stakeholder platform; supporting SDG implementation in EU member states)</i></p> <p>Ms. Barbara Pesce-Monteiro, Director, UN/UNDP Brussels Representation Office</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable Development in the EU – Monitoring report • Council Conclusions – A sustainable European future
19:30-	Joint dinner	
WEDNESDAY, 9 MAY 2018		
8:30-9:00	Welcome coffee	
9:00-9:30	<p>Item 4: THE BELT AND ROAD INITIATIVE – REGIONAL IMPLICATIONS <i>(focus: key elements of the Belt and Road Initiative of the Chinese Government; the support that the UN in China is providing; how the UN can build on it for the advancement of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs)</i></p> <p>Mr. Haoliang Xu, UNDP Regional Director, Asia and the Pacific (via Skype)</p>	
09:30-10:30	<p>Item 5: HEALTH AS CRITICAL COMPONENT TO ACHIEVE SDGS – DIALOGUE WITH IBC ON HEALTH <i>(focus: health as accelerator for development; joint programme initiatives in the region, especially on NCDs; launch of a common UN position paper on HIV, TB and viral hepatitis)</i></p> <p>Ms. Pirooska Ostlin, Director, Division of Policy and Governance for Health and</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UN Joint Position Paper on Ending HIV, Tuberculosis and viral Hepatitis through Intersectoral Collaboration • IBC Health Briefing Note 2018 • Roadmap to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

	<p><i>Well-being, WHO Europe</i> <i>Ms. Bettina Menne, Coordinator, Sustainable Development and Health, WHO Europe</i></p>	<p>building on Health 2020 (2017)</p>
10:30-12:30	<p>Item 6: INNOVATION FOR DEVELOPMENT – DIALOGUE WITH RCS <i>(focus: innovations for the advancement of the SDGs; “new generation” UNCT platforms)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Dafina Gercheva, UN RC in Moldova (via Skype)</i> <i>Mr. Shombi Sharp, UN RC in Armenia (via Skype)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UN Moldova: From linear to platform-based work: a ‘new generation’ UNCT organizational model for SDGs promotion • Innovation at UNDP Moldova • UN Armenia Innovation for Development
12:30-13:30	<p>Lunch Break (WMO / UNICEF cafeterias)</p>	
13:30-14:00	<p>Item 7: UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTEERS – IN SUPPORT OF PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT <i>(focus: UNV support in Europe and Central Asia)</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Olivier Adam, Executive Coordinator, UNV</i></p>	
14:00-15:00	<p>Item 8: REGIONAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT <i>(focus: debriefing on RFSD 2018 and plans for 2019; initial discussion on inter-agency report on SDG progress in the region for the GA 2019; update on HLPF and VNR process)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Monika Linn, Director Sustainable Development and Gender Unit, UNECE</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of Regional Forum • Note on 2019 regional SDG progress report • HLPF Programme 2018
15:00-15:30	<p>Tea/coffee break</p>	
15:30-16:30	<p>Item 9: ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2019 PSG co-chairing - Proposal to establish IBC on Food Security and Nutrition (FAO) - Draft Advocacy Paper by IBC on Social Protection (for information and subsequent approval by e-mail; ILO) - Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in the UN (initial discussion on mechanisms put in place and possible role of regional UN; UNICEF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Issue Paper for the establishment of an Issue-Based Coalition on Sustainable Agriculture, Food Security and Nutrition • IBC on Social Protection: Draft Joint Advocacy Messages
16:30-17:00	<p>NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING REMARKS</p>	