ECOSOC Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system
Civil Society Hearing
Tuesday, 28 April 2015, 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Conference Room 3

PROGRAMME

3:00 pm – 3:10 pm
Opening of the Civil Society Hearing
o Her Excellency María Emma Mejía Vélez, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council and Permanent Representative of Colombia

3:10 pm - 4:20 pm
What are the key functions, funding, governance and organizational arrangements issues? How can the UN development system and Member States address these issues?

Panelists:
o Ms. Debra Jones, Director and UN Representative, Save the Children
o Ms. Marina Ponti, Global Policy Forum
o Mr. Roberto Bissio, Executive Director, Instituto del Tercer Mundo (Via VTC)

Respondents:
o Mr. Mauricio Fávero, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations
o Mr. Yasuaki Momita, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations
o Mr. Charles Chauvel, Team Leader, Inclusive Political Processes, UNDP

General discussion

4:20 pm - 5:30 pm
What are the key elements to ensure the necessary capacity and sustainable impact? What are the partnership approaches that will ensure the appropriate means of implementation?

Panelists:
o Ms. Sofia García García, Co-Chair of the Beyond 2015 UN Working Group and Advocacy Advisor on Post-2015 at SOS Children's Villages
o Ms. Margo LaZaro, Co-chair of the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development and UN Representative of the International Council of Women and Global Family
o Mr. Afolabi Sam-Adeboye, Chief Operating Officer, Gabasawa Women & Children Empowerment Initiative

Respondents:
o Mr. Fawaz Aliu, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Ghana to the United Nations
o Ms. Liza Barrie, Chief, Civil Society Partnerships, UNICEF

General discussion

5:30 pm – 5:45 pm
Closing Remarks
o Her Excellency María Emma Mejía Vélez, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council and Permanent Representative of Colombia