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Dialogue 4: Realising the Sustainable Development Goals - Integrating the environment and health agendas into policies for urban settings

03 December, 2017 (10.30 – 16.00)

Location: United Nations Office at Nairobi, Gigiri Complex

Session 1 - Conference Room 6

Session 2 – Conference Room 9

Agenda:

10.30-11.00 Registration

11.00-11.10 1. Opening of the dialogue and welcoming remarks
Mr. Elliott Harris (Assistant Secretary General, UN Environment)

Session 1 Presentations and technical discussion

Moderator: Ms. Isabel Wetzel (Coordinator, Green Cities Partnership, UN-Habitat-UN Environment)

11.10-11.25 2. Setting the scene: Integrating environmental and health policies in urban settings – a brief overview
Ms. Martina Otto (Head of Cities Unit, UN Environment)
Dr. Maria Neira (Director of Public Health and the Environment, World Health Organization)

11.25 – 11.45 3. Interlinkages between the environmental and health agendas in the SDGs in addressing urban pollution
A mapping of UN actors and existing partnerships at the nexus of cities, pollution, and health
Dr. Philip Osano, (Research Fellow, Stockholm Environment Institute)



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11.45 – 12.30 4. Examples of integrated decision-making and policy solutions for environment and health issues in urban settings at the local, national and global levels

- a) Multi-stakeholder action on removing toxic exhausts in Tehran
Dr. Vahid Hosseini (Managing Director, Air Quality Control Company)
- b) ICLEI's experience and approach in connecting cities-pollution-health
Mr. Yunus Arikan (Head of Global Policy and Advocacy at International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives)
- c) Pilot case focussing on Accra, Ghana, from the Urban Health Initiative
Mr. Sebastian Lange (Associate Human Settlements Officer, UN-Habitat)

12.30 – 13.15 5. Interactive Discussion

Building on the examples under Agenda item 4 as well as on lessons learned in other relevant initiatives such as the BreatheLife Campaign and sustainability projects in China and the UK, participants will share their views and perspectives on the following issues:

- *What are the challenges faced in cross-sectoral collaboration at this nexus?*
- *What good practice can we build on?*
- *Recommendations for further action to enhance collaboration at the nexus of urban pollution, environment and health.*

13.15-14.00 LIGHT LUNCH

Session 2 Policy-level panel discussion

Moderator: Dr. George Njenga (Dean, Strathmore Business School, Nairobi)

14.00 – 14.10 6. Opening of the policy-level segment and summary of the technical discussions
Opening remarks by Ambassador Franz Perrez, Government of Switzerland

14.10-14.15 7. A brief overview of the outcomes of the technical segment
Ms. Isabel Wetzel, moderator of the technical segment



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14.15 – 15.30 8. Panel discussion

Theme:

Building partnerships and collaboration to integrate the environment and health agendas into policies for urban settings

Building upon the outcome of the presentations and technical discussions, the panelists will share their perspectives on issues requiring further action.

Panellists:

Dr. Maria Neira (Director of Public Health and the Environment, World Health Organization)

Mr. Elliott Harris (Assistant Secretary General, UN Environment)

Dr. Alexandre Babak Hedjazi (Director Global Environmental Policy Program, University of Geneva)

H.E Hon Joseph Ole Lenku (Governor, Kadjiado County, Kenya)

Dr. Aisa Kirabo Kacyira (Deputy Executive Director, UN-Habitat)

Dr. Alice Akinyi Kaudia (Environment Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Kenya)

15.30 – 15.45 8. Summary of the dialogue

Dr. George Njenga (Dean, Strathmore Business School, Nairobi)

15.45 - 16.00 9. Closing remarks

Mr. Elliott Harris (Assistant Secretary General, UN Environment)