



**HIGH-LEVEL
POLITICAL FORUM
ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Under the auspices of ECOSOC

Side Event on the Global Sustainable Development Report 2015

During the high-level political forum on sustainable development

1 July 2015, 1:15pm- 2:30pm, Conference Room 1 at United Nations Headquarters

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this side event is to facilitate a more in-depth discussion of the Global Sustainable Development Report 2015 and to discuss lessons-learnt for the way forward. Presentations will be followed by an open discussion.

ORGANIZERS

Department for Economic and Social Affairs/Division for Sustainable Development (DESA/DSD).

AGENDA

Moderator: Mr. Nikhil Seth, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, DESA

Presentation of the Report: Mr. David O'Connor, Chief of the Policy and Analysis Branch, DESA/DSD. **(10 minutes)**

Remarks by: H.E. Gustavo Meza-Cuadra Velásquez, Permanent Representative of Peru

Following the presentation, discussants will deliver short statements - of no more than 2 minutes each - on what they consider most useful in the GSDR 2015 and what they would like to be considered for future editions, in terms of both content and process.

Scientific discussants (2 min)

- Mr. William Colglazier, Visiting scientist, Centre for Science Diplomacy, American Association for the Advancement of Science
- Mr. Patrick Paul Walsh, Chair of International Development Studies in University College Dublin, Ireland, and Senior Advisor, SDSN

Perspectives of Member States (2 min)

- Mr. Andalib Elias, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh
- Mr. Pedro Henriques, International Relations Officer, European Commission
- Mr. Rhulani Baloyi, Policy Analyst, Department of Environment Affairs, South Africa
- Mr. Amit Narang, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of India

UN perspectives (2 min)

Mr. Ralf Bredel, UNIDO NY office

Ms. Corli Pretorius, UNEP NY office

Questions and open discussion