



14 March 2013

Excellency,

As you know, the President of the General Assembly has appointed us to facilitate the establishment of the intergovernmental Committee on sustainable development financing, 'comprising 30 experts nominated by regional groups, with equitable geographical representation' (paragraph 256, Rio+20 Outcome Document). In this capacity, we have over the last few weeks carried out extensive consultations, including with all regional groups.

Based on views expressed during these consultations, it is our clear understanding that there is a need for a broad range of expertise in the Committee. In this regard, the areas of expertise that can be drawn from the Rio+20 Outcome Document's paragraphs 252-268 have been highlighted as particularly relevant. Another clear message from the consultations has been that both this, as well as the nomination of one expert per seat, would be important not only for the Committee's work, but also to get acceptance by all of a formula for regional distribution of the 30 seats.

Following this, and upon requests from Member States, we have prepared an indicative list of examples of possible experts (attached). This list should not be seen as exhaustive or prescriptive in any way, but might be of help to some in trying to identify relevant candidates. As mentioned in the meetings with regional groups, we would like to reiterate that resources have been made available for covering travel expenses for the 30 experts of the Committee.

Based on the above-mentioned outcomes of the consultations, we would now like to invite you, as Chairs of your respective regional Groups, to send us your Groups' nominees. We ask that these nominations are sent to us by 31 March 2013 in the form of expert names and the countries they are nominated by. Our intention is to circulate a short draft GA decision with an Annex listing the 30 expert names alongside nominating country.

Keeping this in mind, we would like to invite the following number of nominated experts from the different regional groups;

African Group – 7
Asia-Pacific Group – 7
Eastern European Group – 5
Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries – 6
Western European and Other states Group - 5

We look forward to working further with you on this matter, and would encourage you as Chairs of your regional Groups to actively consult with the members of your Groups in order to ensure the establishment of an as effective and qualified expert Committee as possible. Lastly, as co-facilitators we would also like to encourage you, when choosing experts for the Committee, to take gender balance into account.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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to the United Nations

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Permanent Representative

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to the United Nations

To;

Chairs of regional groups for the month of March

African Groups:

Chad: His Excellency Ahmad Allam-mi

Asia-Pacific Group:

Qatar: His Excellency Sheikh Meshal Hamad M.J. Al-Thani

Eastern European Group:

Republic of Moldova: His Excellency Vladimir Lupan Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries: Saint Lucia: Her Excellency Menissa Rambally

Western European and Other states Group: Finland: His Excellency Jarmo Viinanen

Cc;

All Members States of the United Nations

Indicative, non-exhaustive, list of examples of possible experts

(based on the Rio+20 Outcome Document's paragraphs 252-268)

- ODA and aid efficiency expert
- Domestic resource mobilization/tax expert
- Local capital market expert with special expertise in local currency bond market development
- Municipal finance expert
- Institutional investor expert (e.g. pension funds)
- Asset management expert
- Trade finance expert
- Foreign direct investment expert
- Money and banking expert
- Infrastructure financing expert
- Innovation financing expert
- Entrepreneurship and SME financing expert
- Inclusive finance expert
- International financial system and systemic issues expert
- Low carbon investment expert
- Global public goods expert
- Innovative development finance expert
- South-south and triangular cooperation expert
- Climate financing expert (e.g. expert on The Global Environmental Facility)
- Global governance expert
- Multilateral and regional development bank expert
- National development bank expert
- Illicit flows expert