

CSD-15 Partnerships Fair Chairperson Biography

Manuel B. Dengo

Manuel B. Dengo is a national of Costa Rica and works for the United Nations Secretariat in New York since 1997, where he is the Chief of the Water - Natural Resources - Small Island Developing States Branch, Division of Sustainable Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. He also serves as Secretary of UN-Water, the United Nations System's mechanism for inter-agency coordination of water resources and sanitation.

From 1994 to 1997 Mr. Dengo served as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations in Geneva.

He worked for the World Meteorological Organization from 1979 to 1994, leading technical cooperation projects on hydrometeorology and water resources in various Latin American countries. He also worked for the WMO Secretariat in Geneva. Mr. Dengo served as Coordinator for the United Nations Conference for Natural Disaster Reduction, held in Yokohama, Japan, in May of 1994.