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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

With this information note we invite your organization to make a contribution to the eighth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) that will meet in April 2000. The note provides you with information on the CSD-8 agenda, the milestone dates to keep in mind as you prepare your contributions to the session’s work, the related inter-sessional meetings organized on the agenda themes, and a list of useful contacts in the CSD Secretariat and in its partner UN bodies.

The CSD is currently in its second five-year program adopted by the Special Session of the General Assembly to review implementation of Agenda 21 (also known as Earth Summit II). The Commission has been innovative in its approach to broad-based participation. Its work to-date has been highly participatory and it continues to experiment and adopt novel participatory mechanisms to increase the involvement of major groups in sustainable development efforts at the UN and around the world.

Maintaining and enhancing the established participatory tradition of Agenda 21 follow-up requires continued commitment by all parties. Without your involvement the sustainable development agenda will have limited success under the best of conditions. We hope that this information note will provide your organization and its constituency with the starting points of how to contribute and influence the Agenda 21 follow up process in general and CSD-8 in particular.

We look forward to learning from your experiences and to facilitating your active involvement in the year ahead.

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INTRODUCTION

In April 2000 the Commission on Sustainable Development will hold its eighth session, a two-week meeting tentatively scheduled from 24 April to 5 May 2000. This note aims to provide you with a road map of the process leading up to the session and information how to contribute and prepare for the session.

The Commission was created to monitor and review the implementation of Agenda 21 and the other agreements reached by the Earth Summit (1992, Rio de Janeiro). In addition to Rio follow-up, the CSD is also mandated to review the implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action (on sustainable development of Small Island Developing States -- SIDS) and to oversee the work of the Inter-governmental Forum on Forests created as a subsidiary of the CSD. A stock taking exercise for the first five years of the CSD’s work was held in June 1997 by way of the 19th Special Session of the General Assembly. The 1997 review adopted the second five-year programme of work for 1998-2002 that now guides the CSD process. A ten-year stock taking exercise will take place in year 2002.

The current five-year work programme is available in Annex 1. Linking your sustainable development activities and efforts to the themes of the current work programme will help increase the impact of your views and experiences on the work of the CSD. An important characteristic of the current work programme is its focus on a selected number of key themes including some that are not addressed in detail in Agenda 21. The overall goal of the work programme is to focus the debate on specific issues and to move towards more action and a better understanding of the degree to which these actions are effective in moving towards sustainability.

CSD-8 Themes and Process Milestones

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CSD-8 will also receive the outcome of the work of the Inter-governmental Forum on Forests (IFF).

Overarching issues for all sessions under the current work programme are Poverty and Consumption Patterns.
INFORMATION ON CSD-8 REPORTING PROCESS

The CSD’s deliberations are based on reports and supplementary materials that identify the main trends and emerging issues under the themes of a given year’s agenda. Each theme is covered in a Secretary-General’s (SG) Report that may be supplemented by one or more Addenda and at times by other materials such as background papers or case studies.

The SG Reports are limited to 16 pages in length and are produced in all six official languages of the United Nations. The Addenda to the SG reports are also of limited length and available in languages. A number of background papers and case studies on the agenda themes are also prepared to provide more detailed information but are available in English only.

Preparation of the official reports is made possible through a collaborative process that directly involves the UN system bodies as thematic Task Managers, coordinated by the Inter-Agency Committee on Sustainable Development (IACSD). This system of Task Managers maximizes the use of available information and expertise of the entire United Nations system. Annex 3 provides a detailed list of all Task managers and their CSD Secretariat Focal Point counterparts for convenient reference to those major groups wishing to contact them directly.

The preparation of the official reports and the supplemental materials involves inputs from major group organizations around the world to the extent that they wish to provide information on their activities, experiences, views, and recommendations for future action.

Major Group organizations can either send their written inputs to the Major Groups Focal Point in the CSD Secretariat for distribution to the relevant Task Managers or send them directly to the appropriate Task Managers who will use the inputs that are received on time in preparing their analytic reports for CSD. Major group organizations are also invited to submit case studies about their projects related to the CSD agenda.

List of Reports and Supplementary Materials for CSD-8

ISSUE: SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

1. Report of the Secretary General on Sustainable Agriculture as an Economic Sector
   Task Manager: Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
   Supplemented by: possible addenda on the economic, social and environmental aspects of agriculture as an economic sector; Addendum on National Actions and Progress in sustainable agriculture (based on country reports); report of the Ad Hoc Inter-sessional Working Group of the CSD on Agriculture and Land Resources; report of the Netherlands Conference on Multi-functional Character of Agriculture and Land (September 1999); background paper on the Inter-relationship of Agriculture and Water (prepared by FAO)
**Papers for the Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue Segment on Agriculture:** A total of 4 ‘dialogue starters’ of 16 pages each will be prepared for the Agriculture Segment by the key stakeholder groups and released as Background Papers 1 through 4. See the section on Sustainable Agriculture Segment on page for more detail.

**ISSUE: LAND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**

2. **Report of the Secretary-General on Integrated planning and management of land resources**
   Task Managers: FAO (for chapters 10, 11, 13 and 14) and UNEP (for chapters 12 and 15)
   Supplemented by: possible addenda on the individual chapters of the land cluster;
   Addendum on Spatial planning of land and water resources; relevant sections of the SG’s Report on National Actions and Progress; report of the Ad Hoc Intersessional Working Group of the CSD on Agriculture and Land Resources; Background paper on Local Government Perspectives on sustainable management of land resources.

**ISSUE: CLUSTER ON FINANCE, TRADE, INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**

3. **Report of the Secretary General on Financial Issues of Agenda 21**
   Task Manager: DSD/DESA

4. **Report of the Secretary-General on Trade, Investment and Economic Growth**
   Task Manager: UNCTAD
   Supplemented by: possible addendum on Foreign Direct Investment and Sustainable Development; report of the Ad Hoc Intersessional Working Group of the CSD on Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Growth.

**ISSUE: FORESTS**

5. **Report of the Secretary-General on the outcome of the fourth Inter-governmental Forum on Forests meeting.**
   Lead organization: IFF Secretariat, DSD/DESA
   Supplemented by: relevant section of the SG report on National Information; reports from the inter-sessional meetings or initiatives related to the IFF process.

**NATIONAL INFORMATION**

   Supplemented by: materials covering assessment of progress at the national level (summary tables and key coordinating mechanisms or actions); list of official national sustainable development contacts; information note on the outcome of the first meeting of the National Councils for Sustainable Development in the UN (February 2000).

7. **Report of the Secretary-General on national reporting to the CSD**
   Lead organization: DSD/DESA. Supplemented by: background paper on national contacts.
REPORTS ON FOLLOW UP TO PREVIOUS CSD DECISIONS

8. Secretary-General’s Progress Report on the follow up to CSD-7 decisions on voluntary initiatives and agreements. Lead Organization: DSD/DESA

9. Secretary-General’s Progress Report on the follow up to the CSD-7 decisions on tourism and sustainable development
   Lead organization: World Tourism Organization (WTO/OMT)

10. Progress report on the implementation of the Work Programme on Education for Sustainable Development
    Lead Organization: UNESCO

11. Report of the Secretary General on Progress made in providing safe water supply and sanitation for all during the 1990s.
    Task Manager: ACC Sub-committee on Freshwater

OTHER ISSUES

12. Report of the Secretary-General on the Main and Emerging Issues for the High Level Segment (including suggestions on the scope, form and nature of the preparatory process for the ten-year review of progress achieved since UNCED)
    Lead Organization: DSD/DESA

Additional materials may be prepared as updates on the outcomes of activities that will occur after the above reports are finalized. Please check our WEB site regularly for more information on the reporting process including the relevant outlines and draft versions of the reports.

Reporting Deadlines

SG Reports
Must be finalized by 1 January 2000. Written inputs from Major Group organizations need to be submitted by no later than 1 December 1999. Earlier submissions are encouraged.

Background papers
Must be finalized by 14 February 2000. Written inputs from Major Group organizations need to be submitted by no later than 1 January 2000.

Inputs from Major Groups
The CSD Secretariat encourages and welcomes inputs from major group organizations on the topics listed above. Major Groups that wish to make an input should send it in writing (email, fax, or mail) to the Major Groups Focal Point in the CSD Secretariat, or directly to the Task Managers listed in Annex 3. If your organization wishes to make a contribution, please observe the deadlines provided above. Inputs received after these deadlines will be difficult to integrate into the analytical process.

Your inputs should be
- Brief (about 5 pages and not longer than 10 pages),
- Relate to specific experiences in implementation or monitoring activities,
- Focus on the lessons-learned/trends observed in the course of activities, and
- Highlight policy directions that can be brought to the attention of the CSD.

Your contributions to the reporting process will strengthen the overall analysis on a given issue and increase the validity of the recommendations made. They will also help the CSD Secretariat to further build its database of information on major group activities, views and inputs. This knowledge base will be the backbone for the analysis of the role and contribution of major groups for the ten-year review of progress (Earth Summit+10) scheduled for 2002.

INTER-SESSIONAL MEETINGS ON THEMATIC ISSUES

A number of preparatory meetings produce analyses on the themes that are in the CSD agenda. A number of expert group meetings, seminars, workshops and other consultation opportunities are organized throughout the year in addition to the Ad Hoc Inter-sessional Working Group meetings of the CSD that precede the regular session of the Commission. These meetings are usually sponsored and hosted by Governments and often include representatives from major group organizations. The list below includes those inter-sessional meetings and other preparatory events that were known at the time of writing of this note. Updates on additional events that may be organized will be available on the WEB site or by contacting the CSD Secretariat.

**Sustainable Agriculture and Land Resources**

13-17 September 1999, Maastricht, the Netherlands

2-5 March 2000, Melbourne, Australia
Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Growth

November 1999, Santiago, Chile

_Fifth Expert Group Meeting on Financial Issues of Agenda21_. Organized by DSD/DESA. Contact Mr. Juergen Holst, tel: 212-963-4677, fax: 212-963-4260, email: holst@un.org

Fourth Quarter of 1999 (exact date and place to be announced)

_Meeting on Trade and Environment_. Organized by UNCTAD. Contact Mr. Rene Vossenaar, Tel: 4122-917-5679, Fax: 4122-917-0044, Email: rene.vossenaar@unctad.org

January 2000, Ecuador (exact date and place to be announced)

_Meeting on Trade and Environment_. Organized by WWF. Contact Ms. Mireille Perrin, tel: 41-22-364-9026, Email: mperrin@wwfnet.org.

First Quarter of 2000, dates and place to be announced

Meeting on Foreign Direct Investments and Environment. Organized by OECD. Contact Mr. Brendan Gillespie, tel: 33-1-45-24-93-02, fax: 33-1-45-24-96-71, Email: Brendan.GILLESPIE@oecd.org.

**IFF process**

August to October 1999

_ Regional Consultations under the Costa Rica-Canada Initiative_. Contact Mr. Guido Chaves, Ministry of the Environment, Costa Rica, tel: 506-283-8004, fax: 506-283-7343, email: guidocha@ns.minae.go.cr or Mr. Michael Fullerton, Canadian Forest Service, tel: 613-947-9082, fax: 613-947-9033, email: mfullert@nrcan.gc.ca

List of regional consultations (Web site: www.nrcan.gc.ca/cfs/crc):

- 2-5 August 1999, _Malaysia. East and South-East Asia_
- 6-10 September 1999, _Mutare, Zimbabwe. East and Southern Africa_
- 15-17 September 1999, _Quito, Ecuador. The Amazon Basin_
- 23-24 September 1999, _Madrid, Spain. Europe_
- _September 1999. Yaunde, Cameroon. West and Central Africa_
- 6-8 October 1999, _Buenos Aires, Argentina. Southern Latin America_
- _12-15 October 1999. Istanbul, Turkey. Middle East_.
- Date to be announced. _Australia. Oceania_.
- _6-10 December 1999. Ottawa, Canada. Final meeting on the Costa Rica-Canada Initiative_

4-8 October 1999, Teheran, Iran

_Open-ended International Expert Meeting on Special Needs and Requirements of Developing Countries with Low Forest Cover and Unique Types of Forests_. Organized by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran in cooperation with other interested countries and international
organizations. Contact Mr. Mohsen Esperi, Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the UN, tel: 212-687-2020, fax: 212-867-7086, email: mesperi@un.int. Web site: www.mavara.com

31 January – 11 February 2000, New York, UN Headquarters
*Fourth Meeting of the Inter-governmental Forum on Forests.* Contact Mr. Jag Maini, tel: 212-963-3160, fax: 212-963-3463, email: maini@un.org.

Information about additional inter-sessional meetings will be made available on our web site at www.un.org/sustdev or via our newsletter the *CSD Update.*

**OFFICIAL MEETINGS OF CSD-8**

**Ad Hoc Intersessional Working Groups of CSD-8**

The Ad Hoc Inter-sessional Working Groups (ISWG) of the eighth CSD is tentatively scheduled from **22 February to 3 March 2000** in New York. One working group will focus on the sectoral cluster (land resources including sustainable agriculture) and the other on the cross-sectoral cluster including Trade, Finance, Investment and Economic Growth. The discussions of the ISWGs will be based on the SG reports on these topics. A more detailed program of the ISWGs, including the list of side events and special events that may be organized during the Working Groups, will be announced on our Web site as soon as it is available.

**Eighth Session of the CSD**

The next CSD meeting is tentatively scheduled from 24 April to 5 May 2000. The list of CSD-8 members is in Annex 2. The CSD-8 Bureau members are:

- **Chairman** Mr. Juan Mayr Maldonado, Colombia
- **Vice-Chairman** Mr. Patrick McDonnell, Ireland
- **Vice-Chairman** Mr. Zvetolyub Basmajev, Bulgaria
- **Vice-Chairman** Mr. Choi Seok Young, Republic of Korea

(The fourth vice-chairman representing the Africa region is to be determined)

A tentative scenario for CSD-8 is as follows:

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A more detailed program, including the various side events, special events and other activities organized around CSD-8 will be available on our Web site during the first week of April 2000.

**Sustainable Agriculture Segment at CSD-8**

The multi-stakeholder dialogues will continue at CSD-8 with a focus on Sustainable Agriculture. The purpose of the multi-stakeholder segment is to generate action oriented dialogue between governments and major groups on a specific economic sector, such as agriculture, and to identify future policies and actions that increase the positive impact of this economic sector on sustainable development objectives.

**Topics**

- **Choices in agricultural production techniques, consumption patterns and safety regulations: Potentials and threats to sustainable agriculture.**

  This topic should elicit stakeholder views, concerns and proposals on issues such as advances in biotechnology and the use of genetically modified organisms; ‘chemical’ versus ‘organic’ production methods; pest management options, mono-culture versus diversified agricultural systems; regulatory and voluntary frameworks to prevent adverse effects; sustainable use of resources (water, energy) etc.

- **Globalization, trade liberalization and investment patterns: economic incentives and framework conditions to promote sustainable agriculture**

  This topic focuses on the economic aspects of sustainable agriculture. The discussions should elicit views of stakeholders, both positive and negative, regarding access to markets, equity and poverty, agricultural subsidies, pricing for agricultural commodities, enabling economic policies and frameworks such as positive and negative incentives, mechanisms to protect the poor against adverse effect of globalization etc.

- **Best practices in land resources management to achieve sustainable food cycles**

  This topic aims to link the dialogue with the sectoral theme of CSD-8. Discussions should aim to distill and disseminate useful experiences in dealing with land rights, land tenure, urban sprawl and human settlements dynamics, protection of biodiversity and forests, creative and empowering partnerships etc. The discussions here could focus on a small number of best practice cases each stakeholder group brings to the table.

- **Knowledge for a sustainable food system: identifying and providing for education, training, knowledge-sharing and information needs.**
This topic should elicit concerns, views and proposals regarding how to utilize traditional and community knowledge resources, education needs of agricultural communities and consumers, how to take advantage of emerging information technologies in education (such as distance learning), training needs to bridge the technology/information access gap etc.

Structure
As was the case in previous dialogue segments, the Agriculture Segment will have four sessions scheduled in the early part of the two-week CSD session. Most likely dates for the Agriculture Segment are from the afternoon of 24 April 2000 and through the morning of 26 April 2000. Each session of the Segment will start with a ten-minute presentation each from the NGO, trade union, business and farmer sides of the table, followed by two ten-minute reactions from the governments (one southern and one northern). Participants will engage in a dialogue in the remaining two hours of the session. The Chairman of the CSD will moderate the dialogue sessions and may request specific inputs from others present, such as representatives of UN organizations.

Organizing Partners
The preparation of the multi-stakeholder dialogue segment is itself a multi-stakeholder process. For each dialogue segment key major group networks are invited to form the Steering Group, which coordinates the preparations and facilitates the engagement of their major group. The Division for Sustainable Development chairs the Steering Group and facilitates its work in the preparatory period. The organizing partners for the Agriculture segment will be:

For NGOs: NGO Caucus on Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems
For Workers and Trade Unions: International Confederation of Free Trade Unions
For Business and Industry: International Agri-Food Network
For Farmers: International Federation of Agricultural Producers, Via Campesina

The organizing partners are expected to carry out the following main tasks:

- Consulting with their network to prepare their ‘dialogue starter’ papers,

  The dialogue starters are short papers (no longer than 16 pages) that present the views of a particular major group on the discussion topic including recommendations for future work in that area. The papers cover all four topics of the dialogue. They intend to start the discussion and are not seen as ‘position’ papers. Drafts of the dialogue starters will be available on the DSD Web site in early January 2000.

- Identifying the individuals to represent their major group at the dialogues, in consultation with their network

  Each major group will participate with a delegation of at least 20 representatives from their network. Seating will be arranged to accommodate the NGO, trade union, business and farmer delegations as well as the members of the CSD and other interested governments.
A draft list of major group participants will be available by 17 March 2000.

- Coordinating and facilitating their group’s contributions and participation during the dialogue segment.

Further information on the Agriculture Segment can be obtained from contacts listed in Annex 3.
**Day of Indigenous People**

Since 1995, the CSD Secretariat has organized special events under the title of “Day of …” to highlight the particular role and contribution of a specific major group to sustainable development. Several such programs have so far been organized including the Day of Local Authorities in 1995, Day of the Workplace (with business and trade unions) and various Youth focused programs in 1996, and Day of Women in 1998.

The eighth session of the CSD will include such a special program focusing on the role and contributions of Indigenous People to sustainable development: the *Day of Indigenous People*. A number of indigenous peoples’ organizations have been contacted to gather ideas for designing the program and to invite them as organizing partners for the program. These organizations include: the International Indian Treaty Council, the International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropics, the Inuit Circumpolar Conference and the International Indigenous Biodiversity Network.

Among other ideas, the Day of Indigenous People may include special panel discussions on topics such as intellectual property rights, land rights, contributions and role in sustainable development and participation in decision making; an exhibition focusing on indigenous knowledge for sustainable development; daily video hour demonstrating indigenous life-styles and traditions; and, demonstrations of relevant Web sites and other information tools (via the Learning Center).

Organizations of indigenous people are welcome and encouraged to contact the CSD Secretariat through the Major Groups Focal Point (see Annex 3 for contact information) to provide inputs and ideas to make the Day of Indigenous People a success.

Further detail on this program will be made available on [www.un.org/esa/sustdev](http://www.un.org/esa/sustdev).

**Major group Participation in the ISWGs and CSD-8**

The CSD has been a lively forum of non-governmental participation by organizations representing all major groups. Their participation infuses new ideas, challenges and information and thus enriches the inter-governmental debate. Major Group participants in the CSD have organized coordinated statements by thematic NGO caucus groups, organized dozens of side events to share experiences, and successfully lobbied for particular initiatives that they felt the CSD should undertake or support. The participatory traditions of the CSD and the need for it to continue have been widely acknowledged and are fully supported by the CSD Secretariat.

Please note that non-governmental participation in the CSD or in its ISWGs is subject to the rules of participation of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). These rules require that the non-governmental participants represent a non-governmental organization in consultative status with ECOSOC.
Major Group organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC), including those in the “CSD-List”, can send representatives to CSD-8 and its ISWG meetings. Accredited organizations planning to send representatives should write, at least 2 weeks in advance of a meeting, to the NGO Section (see below), Division for ECOSOC Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

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ECOSOC rules do not permit participation of representatives from organizations that are not in consultative status. If you are unsure of your organization’s accreditation status, you can check with the following sources:

- List of accredited NGOs available on the Internet (at gopher://gopher.un.org/00/esc/docs/1997/69431). If your organization is listed you are accredited.

- Contact the NGO Section. The NGO Section maintains up-to-date lists of accredited organizations including those that have recently been granted consultative status but are not yet included in the lists available on the Internet.

- Contact the Major Groups Focal Point of the CSD Secretariat.

Please make sure that your organization has the necessary consultative status before sending representatives to New York or making travel arrangements for them.

During the weekend before the CSD meeting, the CSD NGO Steering Committee, the CSD Secretariat and the UN Non-Governmental Liaison Services organize a one-day orientation meeting. This orientation meeting is especially useful to the first-time CSD participants. A schedule of orientation meetings can be obtained by contacting the CSD NGO Steering Committee (See Annex 3).

NGOs that focus on a specific issue and wish to link with others working in that area may want to find out about the several dozen NGO Caucuses that are formed around the CSD process and its issues. Most caucus groups maintain their contacts throughout the year, often by email. A list of the caucus groups can be obtained from the CSD NGO Steering Committee Co-chairs (see Annex 3) or at www.csdngo.org/csdngo.
**Sustainable Development Learning Center at CSD-8**

For the third year in a row, a *Sustainable Development Learning Center* will be available to the participants of the CSD. The *Learning Center* is a joint project of the CSD Secretariat and the Foundation for the Future of Youth.

The Learning Center aims to promote sustainable development education by a range of actors including young people and students, NGOs, educators, and Governments. The Learning Center provides both electronic and printed materials. Users of the Learning Center can review education software, electronic games and book-marked Internet sites; test education kits provided by major groups, governments and UN organizations; and pick up copies of brochures, newsletters, books, CD-ROMs and posters. The Learning Center in 2000 will specifically focus on sustainable development education and materials related to the CSD-8 issues (Land Management, Sustainable Agriculture, Trade, Finance, Economic Growth, Investment, Poverty, Consumption Patterns and Forests). At CSD-8 an added focus of the Learning Center is information about and from Indigenous People and their views on and contributions to sustainable development questions.

If your organization has developed electronic or printed education materials in these areas and would like to share them with CSD participants, we encourage you to send copies to us for display (one copy) or for distribution (at least 200 copies) during the CSD. The deadline to send materials is 31 March 2000.

Here are some examples of the kind of materials we are looking for:

- **EDUCATION KITS** (that you have developed in your school, community, organization)
- **BROCHURES** (about projects, approaches, information sources, or partnerships)
- **CURRICULA** (you have developed or have used in your education efforts)
- **WEB SITES** (of your organization or those of others that you have found useful in your sustainable development education work)
- **VIDEOS** (short videos showing a particular project or approach to sustainable development education. Based on the videos received a "Video Festival" hour in the LEARNING CENTER will be arranged)
- **EDUCATIONAL GAMES** (that make sustainable development education fun!)
- **SOFTWARE** (such as databases, and interactive modeling and forecasting systems that you know of and would like to share with others)

Contact Ms. Federica Pietracci for inquiries about the Learning Center, tel: 212-963-8497, fax: 212-963-1267, email: pietracci@un.org.
**Success Stories for CSD8**

In addition to the materials mentioned earlier, the CSD Secretariat will produce the fourth edition of the *Sustainable Development Success Stories*. The 2000 edition will continue to provide snap-shots of successful projects that have produced tangible results. Thematic focus of this edition is on land resources management, sustainable agriculture, trade, economic growth, investment, finance, forests, consumption and production patterns and poverty. Success stories are collected and published to demonstrate the sense of ‘ownership’ of sustainable development among a diversity of actors, ranging from UN bodies to major group organizations.

Any interested party can submit its stories of success related to achieving sustainable development at the local, national, regional or international levels. The criteria for a ‘success story’ include (i) the degree to which a story demonstrates tangible results, (ii) has an integrated approach to sustainable development, (iii) has catalyzed innovative partnerships, and (iv) has potential for replication. Stories should be no longer than 2 pages. Submission of full-length articles, books or other materials as success stories is discouraged. The deadline is 1 January 2000. Success stories published in 1997, 1998 and 1999 are available on our Web site and can provide useful examples in preparing your stories.

**Please use the following outline for success stories you wish to submit:**

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Side Events during CSD8 - GUIDELINES

The CSD sessions include dozens of side events scheduled in UN meeting rooms outside the regular meeting times (that is between 1:15-2:45 pm and 6:15-8 pm). The side events provide informal opportunities for exchange of information, experiences and views through presentations (of specific projects or initiatives), short workshops/seminars, or briefings. The following guidelines are based on the experience of the CSD Secretariat with side events over the years. Organizations wishing to organize side events during the CSD or during its Ad Hoc Inter-sessional Working Group meetings are requested to read and follow these guidelines carefully.

1. Side events must be on topics directly related to the themes of the CSD agenda in a given year. The CSD Secretariat will not authorize events that are not directly related to the agenda issues.

2. Side events must be open to all participants of the CSD session. Events that aim for an exclusive audience are not permitted and organizers of such closed special events are advised to seek alternative locations outside the main UN building.

3. Side event organizers that are non-governmental or inter-governmental organizations must be accredited with the UN. An exception is made for caucus groups, which are not accredited on their own but involve multiple major group organizations that are in status with the UN. When a caucus group is the side event organizer, one of its member organizations must take the responsibility for the costs related to the event.

4. Side event slot requests must be made using the Side Events Request Form (see Annex 4). This form allows the requestors to indicate the title/description of their event, the preferred dates and times, and the size of room and equipment they would need for the event. The CSD Secretariat makes an effort to place each event in the most preferred date and time although given the number of events this is not always possible. In the event that the preferred date/time is not possible, the CSD Secretariat will consult with the organizer to identify an equally suitable slot.

5. The side event requests must be submitted by no later than three weeks before the start of the session. Requests received after this deadline will not be considered. (Deadline for side event requests at CSD-8 is 3 April 2000)

6. The CSD Secretariat enters side event requests into the “tentative list of side events”. The tentative list is opened in September of each year. Given the constantly changing nature of this list, it is not made public until after the deadline has passed, the events are confirmed and the events list is final.

7. No more than three simultaneous side events can be confirmed during a given lunch time or evening slot. This indicates up to 60 side events for a two-week session and up to 90 events for a three-week session. In the event of more requests than the total number of available slots, the CSD Secretariat selects events on the basis of their potential contribution to the overall CSD session, geographical
balance, and balance in coverage of the agenda issues. To the extent possible the CSD Secretariat consults with the side event organizers to combine events that are on similar topics.

8. Each side event that is authorized to enter into the CSD program is confirmed in writing after the deadline to make requests has passed but no later than two weeks before the start of the CSD session. Organizers are strongly discouraged from insisting on obtaining confirmations before the deadline.

9. Due to space and time limits, more than two side events by the same organization or entity are not permitted. This rule allows a greater diversity of major groups and other actors to obtain time and space to share their knowledge and views with other participants.

10. The side event organizers must make grounds pass arrangements for the individuals they invite as lecturers, presenters, or speakers of the event. Last minute requests to the CSD Secretariat for guest or visitor passes for invited speakers of a side event are strongly discouraged.

11. Exact room allocations for side events are made when events are confirmed in writing. All side events take place in UN meeting rooms located in the First Basement of the main UN Headquarters building. The CSD Secretariat reserves the right to change the room allocation for an event even after confirmations are sent. This change is sometimes necessary due to other meetings that have priority over side events.

12. Inter-governmental meetings always have first priority over side events and room needs of the Security Council have priority over all other meetings. Side events may be cancelled at the last minute if an inter-governmental meeting needs to use the room where the side event was scheduled. In these cases, the CSD Secretariat makes an attempt to reschedule the cancelled event in another room or on another date so far as possible.

13. Side event organizers can request the following equipment and services for their event: projectors (slide, video, overhead or laptop-to-screen), microphones (standing mikes or use of the sound system in the meeting rooms), projection screens, and sound recording of the event (based on availability of recording equipment in the room). As most of these services and equipment need to be set up or run by an engineer, their use implies costs that the organizers must be prepared to cover. Equipment requests can be made using the Side Events Request Form (see Annex 4).

14. Organizers who wish to bring their own equipment (such as laptops or laptop-to-screen projectors) need to notify the CSD Secretariat at least one week before the start of the CSD session so that the necessary arrangements can be made with UN Security. Last minute requests for this type of arrangement are highly discouraged.

15. Interpretation services are not available for side events. Organizers should plan to hold their event in English.
16. Organizers that wish to make demonstrations using Internet connections during their side event should notify the CSD Secretariat at least one week prior to the start of the CSD session so that the necessary connection can be arranged. This may also involve costs that need to be covered by the side event organizer.

17. Printed materials can be distributed during the side event and during the CSD meetings by using the tables placed in the back of and just outside the meeting rooms. Since the meeting rooms where side events take place are also where the official CSD meetings are conducted, organizers are requested to be responsible about material distribution and ensure that the rooms are left free of clutter after their side event.

18. Distribution of printed materials that are not directly related to the CSD agenda issues is not permitted during a side event or at any other time at the CSD meeting. The CSD Secretariat will authorize removal of materials judged to be inappropriate. Sale of such materials (or any other goods) on UN grounds during the side events or at any other time is strictly prohibited.

19. Displays and exhibitions, unless organized through the proper channels through the CSD Secretariat, are not allowed. Side event organizers are advised not to set up displays or put up posters on meeting room walls during a side event or at any other time during the CSD to avoid removal and loss of their materials.

20. Food and drinks are strictly prohibited in the meeting rooms of the UN. Activities that involve food or drinks, such as receptions, are allowed only in the designated areas (such as the UN Dining Rooms) and must be arranged directly by contacting the UN Catering Services. Side event organizers wishing to have a reception following their event, can contact the UN Catering Services by phone at 212-963-7098 to make the necessary arrangements. The CSD Secretariat will not facilitate these arrangements.

21. Publicizing a side event is the responsibility of its organizers. The CSD Secretariat will not produce fliers, distribute notices, or run other publicity efforts for side events. To inform participants about the CSD session and its events, the secretariat distributes copies of the full program on the first day of the meeting. The CSD Secretariat also provides a daily leaflet (titled CSD Today --or ISWG Today for the inter-sessional working group meetings prior to the CSD) every morning for the most up-to-date list of events and meetings of that day.
Preparing for CSD-9: Information on the ENERGY PROCESS

At its seventh session, the CSD decided to set up an *ad hoc open-ended inter-governmental group of experts on energy and sustainable development* to prepare for the CSD-9 discussion on this topic in 2001. The expert group will meet twice, in conjunction with the inter-sessional meetings of the eighth and ninth sessions CSD. The first meeting of the expert group is tentatively scheduled to take place 6-10 March 2000, at UN Headquarters in New York.

The Ad Hoc Inter-agency task force on energy, established in February 1998, is coordinating the inputs of UN system organizations. This task force is also elaborating on a common UN approach to the energy agenda, covering all types and aspects of energy and sustainable development (that is, its economic, social and environmental dimensions).

The energy team in the CSD Secretariat (see the list below) is currently preparing an annotated issues paper that covers the following topics: energy efficiency, renewable energy, advanced technology transfer, rural energy, international cooperation and transport. The topics are based on the energy related decisions of the 19th UN General Assembly Special Session to review progress in implementing Agenda 21, June 1997. The energy team includes the following Division staff:

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Major groups can contribute to the Energy process in the same way they contribute to the CSD. In other words, NGOs in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (including the CSD list) can send representatives to the meetings of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Inter-governmental Expert Group, and written inputs from all interested major groups are welcome. Inquiries about the process can be made directly to the team members listed above.

**Upcoming meetings related to the Energy Process**

*Ad Hoc Expert Group Meeting on Barriers to Sustainable Energy Development*, Fall 1999, Contact Mr. S. Arung-Olende.

Ad Hoc Expert Group Meeting on Modernizing Rural Energy Services, Including Access to Financing, Feb/March 2000. Contact Mr. K. N. Mak.

Ad Hoc Open-Ended Inter-governmental Expert Group meeting, 6-10 March 2000. UN Headquarters, New York. Contact Mr. K. N. Mak.


Further information on the Energy Process can be also be found at the following web sites:

http://www.un.org/esa/sustdev/enr.htm (general information on Energy and Agenda 21)

www.iun.org/esa/sustdev/energy.htm (CENRD information)

www.un.org/esa/sustdev/iacsd.htm (Interagency task force information)

Throughout the five-year programme over-riding issues are POVERTY and CHANGING CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION PATTERNS

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Annex 4: Side Event Request Form

Name of requesting Organization: ____________________________________________
Contact Person: ____________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
Telephone: ______________ Fax: _____________ Email: ________________________

Title of the Event (please attach a description): __________________________________
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Preferred dates and times
(Please indicate more than one option to help with the scheduling process.)

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Need a room that can accommodate a total of (please chose one):
30-50 persons ____  50-100 persons ____  100-500 persons ___

Equipment and services requested:
Slide projector ___ Foldable Screen ___
Overhead projector ___ Laptop-to-Screen projection Unit ___
Video Projector ___ Sound (in room microphones) ___
(Or VCR/with TV monitor) Sound recording ___
Other (please explain): ______________________________________________________
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(Name of the organization) will cover the costs related to the use of above equipment and services.

Signed by
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