

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**UNITED NATIONS INTER-AGENCY MEETING
THE SAFETY OF JOURNALISTS AND THE ISSUE OF IMPUNITY
13-14 September 2011, UNESCO HQ Paris**

Tuesday, 13 September 2011, Room X, UNESCO Fontenoy

Time	Item / Speakers¹
9:30-10:00	<p>Opening Session Chair: Raghu Menon, Chairperson, International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Message: Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of United Nations, delivered by Kiyo Akasaka, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, UN DPI • Video message: Navi Pillay, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights • Introductory remarks: Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO
10:00-11:30	<p><u>Discussion one:</u> The Status of The Safety of Journalists Worldwide Moderator: Rodney Pinder, Director, International News Safety Institute (INSI) Introductory remarks: Jane Connors, Chief of Special Procedures Branch, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kwame Karikari, Executive Director, Media Foundation of West Africa • Gayathry Venkiteswaran, Executive Director, Southeast Asia Press Alliance (SEAPA) • Jorge Canahuati, Chairman, International Affairs Committee, Inter American Press Association (IAPA) • Gamal Eid, Executive Director, Arabic Network of Human Rights Information (ANHRI)
11:30-11:45	COFFEE BREAK
11:45-1:30	<p><u>Discussion two:</u> International Legal Instruments: strengths and weaknesses Moderator: Agnes Callamard, Executive Director, Article 19 Introductory remarks: Adam Rogers, Senior Advisor, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank La Rue, United Nations (UN) Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression • Pansy Tlakula, Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression and Access to Information in Africa, African Union Commission (AUC) • Dunja Mijatović, Representative on Freedom of the Media, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) • Catalina Botero Marino, Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression for the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR), Organization of American States (OAS) • Jan Kleijssen, Director of Standard-Setting, Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs, Council of Europe (CoE)

¹ A number of representatives from other international, regional and national organizations and NGOs will be participating at the open discussions.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ghislaine Doucet, Legal Adviser, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
1:30-3:00	LUNCH
	<p><u>Discussion three: Challenges to the United Nations and its Agencies: Proposals for a UN Plan of Action</u></p> <p>Moderator: Jānis Kārklīšs, Assistant Director-General, Communication & Information Sector, UNESCO</p> <p>Introductory remarks: Kiyō Akasaka, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, UN DPI</p>
3:00-4:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> William Horsley, International Director of the Centre for Freedom of the Media (CFOM), University of Sheffield, and Coordinator of The Impunity Initiative Annie Game, Executive Director, International Freedom of Expression Exchange (IFEX) Beth Costa, Secretary General, International Federation of Journalists (IFJ) Jean-Paul Marthoz, Senior Europe Consultant, Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) Jean-François Julliard, Secretary General, Reporters sans Frontières (RSF) Emmanuel Boutterin, Vice-President, World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC) Alison Bethel McKenzie, Director, International Press Institute (IPI)
	<p><u>Discussion three (continuation): Challenges to the United Nations and its Agencies. Proposals for a UN Plan of Action</u></p> <p>Moderator: Jānis Kārklīšs, Assistant Director-General, Communication & Information Sector, UNESCO</p>
4:30-6:15	<p>Open discussion with UNESCO Member States, NGOs and UN Agencies</p>
6:15-6:30	<p>Closing session:</p> <p>Chair: Raghu Menon, Chairperson, IPDC</p> <p>Closing remarks: Jānis Kārklīšs, Assistant Director-General, Communication & Information Sector, UNESCO</p>

**Wednesday, 14 September 2011: UN Agencies Closed Working Meeting.
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Time	Item / Speakers
9:00-9:30	Welcoming of participants
9:30-1:00	Opening Session Chair: Raghu Menon, Chairperson, International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory Remarks: Jānis Kārklīņš, Assistant Director-General, Communication & Information Sector, UNESCO
10:00-12:30	The United Nations and its Agencies: Current Efforts Introductory remarks: Afsané Bassir-Pour, Director, United Nations Regional Information Centre for Western Europe
	<p>This session will bring together UN agencies, programmes and departments to share good practices and discuss challenges faced when tackling the issue of journalists' safety and the fight against impunity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mehdi Drissi, Senior Liaison Officer, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations • Patricia Lusweti, Editor-in-Chief of ITU News, International Telecommunication Union (ITU) • Adam Rogers, Senior Advisor, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) • Vladimir Gai and Sylvie Coudray, Division of Freedom of Expression and Media development (FEM), United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization (UNESCO) • Dagmar Schumacher, Director of UN Women – Brussels Liaison Office, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) • Moira O'Brien-Malone, Head of Communications, Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) • Philippe Leclerc, France Representative, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) • United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) • Alun Jones, Chief of Communications & Advocacy, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) • Jane Connors, Chief of Special Procedures Branch, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) • Eric Chinje, head of the Global Media Program, World Bank Institute (WB) • Marie Wentzell, Public Information Officer, World Food Programme (WFP)
12:30-2:30	LUNCH
2:30-4:30	Working Session: Designing a UN Plan of Action Moderator: Jānis Kārklīņš, Assistant Director-General, Communication & Information Sector, UNESCO
	<p>The objective of this working session is to design a concrete UN plan of action to address the issue of the safety of journalists and impunity. How best to create awareness and sensitize journalists, media owners, and policy makers? How the UN Agencies can work effectively with specialized NGOs? How to ensure the application of existing rules and principles? How to enhance UN cooperation in a comprehensive and coherent manner?</p>
4:30-5:30	Working Session: Follow-up Mechanisms to the UN Plan of Action Moderator: Jānis Kārklīņš, Assistant Director-General, Communication & Information Sector, UNESCO
	<p>The objective of this working session is to design follow-up mechanisms for the joint UN plan of action.</p>
5:30-6:00	Closing Session

