

Conference Agenda
MDG-based National Development Strategies and Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers
in Transition Economies
DUSHANBE – TAJIKISTAN
15 – 17 March 2007

15 March: Technical seminar on MDG needs assessment methodologies
Venue: MoEDT Conference Hall, 1st Floor, 37 Bokhtar street, Dushanbe

Item	Presenters
8:45-9:15 Registration	
9:15 – 9:30 Chair: Igor Bosc , Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Tajikistan Introduction and Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Igor Bosc, UNDP Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Tajikistan • Ms Larisa Kislyakova, Deputy Minister of Economy, MoEDT of Tajikistan.
9:30-10:15 <i>MDG needs assessments methodology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Slay, Director, UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre (PRS target setting and monitoring) • Gonzalo Pizarro, Advisor, UNDP Bureau of Development Policy (Millennium Project methodology and results)
10:15 – 10:30 Comments, discussion	
10:30 – 10:50	Coffee break
10:50 – 12:15 Chair: Ben Slay , Director, BRC Expert presentations of MDG needs assessment methods used in Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, and modeling efforts in Uzbekistan	Country presentations by technical experts involved in national MDG needs assessments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usmon Rakhmanov, Policy Adviser, UNDP Tajikistan and Tuya Altangarel, UNDP Assistant Resident Representative, Kyrgyzstan (Case-study of Tajikistan) • Rafkat Hasanov, Executive Director, “Investment Round Table” Public Association (Case-study of Kyrgyzstan) • Roman Mogilevsky, Director, Center for Social and Economic Research CASE in Kyrgyzstan (Case-study of Moldova) • Ulugbek Olimov, Representant of CGE modeling (Case-study of Uzbekistan)
12:15 – 13:00 Comments, discussion	
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 15:15 Chair: Gonzalo Pizarro , Advisor, UNDP <i>MDG needs assessments: Application of CGE (and other) methodologies in different regions</i>	Presentations on MDG needs assessments methodologies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nergui Dorj, UNDP Assistant Resident Representative, Mongolia (Case-study of Mongolia) • Tuya Altangarel, UNDP Assistant Resident Representative, Kyrgyzstan (Comparative Case-study on Mongolia, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan)
15:15 – 15:30 Comments, discussion	
15:30 – 15:50	Coffee break
15:50 – 17:00 Moderator: Ben Slay <i>Round table discussion: Country comparisons, contrasting views</i>	Panelists: Representatives of UNDP, WB, IMF, ADB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jacek Cukrowski, MDG Adviser, UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre • Utkir Umarov, Economist, World Bank, Tajikistan • Jimmy McHugh, IMF, Kyrgyzstan • Zafar Hotamov, Senior Economist, ADB, Tajikistan
17:00 – 17:30 Comments, discussion	
17:30 – 17:45 <i>Rapporteurs’ conclusions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jacek Cukrowski, MDG Adviser, UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre
19:00	Reception hosted by UNDP Country Office of Tajikistan <i>Vastan Restaurant, Opposite Hotel Avesto on Rudaki Avenue</i>

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16 March 2007: Tajikistan's experience in regional, global perspectives

Venue: *Kohi Vahdat , Rudaki Avenue, Dushanbe*

9:00 – 9:30 Registration	Video on Tajikistan will be shown concurrently
9:30 – 10:00 Chair: Ercan Murat , UNDP Resident Representative, Tajikistan <i>Welcome</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Dr. Davlatov Matlubkhon Sultonovitch, State Advisor to the President of Tajikistan on Economic Policy
10:00 – 10:15 Opening remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Slay, Director, UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre
10:15 – 10:45 <i>Tajikistan's NDS and PRSP: Future prospects, lessons learned + Question/Answer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Boboev Gulyam Djouraevitch, Minister of Economic Development and Trade of Tajikistan
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 11:30 Chair: Igor Bosc , Deputy Resident Representative, Tajikistan <i>U.S. Millennium Challenge Account – Opportunities and Challenges for Tajikistan + Question/Answer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracey A. Jacobson, H.E US Ambassador, Tajikistan
11:30 – 12:15 <i>Round table discussion: Assessing Tajikistan's experience + Question/Answer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utkir Umarov, Economist, World Bank, Tajikistan (Financing Growth and Poverty Reduction in Tajikistan: Opportunities and Challenges) • Zafar Hotamov, Senior Economist, ADB, Tajikistan (TA for strengthening results based management towards poverty reduction in Tajikistan)
12:15 – 12:30 <i>Summary of discussions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Igor Bosc, Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Tajikistan
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 14:45 Chair: Louisa Vinton , Cluster Manager for Western CIS, UNDP-HQ <i>MDG needs assessments, PRSPs, NDSs: Global and Regional experience</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gonzalo Pizarro, Advisor, UNDP Bureau of Development Policy (Millennium project: Lessons learned) • Jean-Bernard De-Milito, Delegation of EC, Almaty
14:45 – 15:00 <i>Comments, discussion</i>	
15:00 – 15:20	Coffee break
15:20 – 16:05 Moderator: Bruno Pouezat , UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Azerbaijan <i>Sectoral issues and the MD Goals: Environment, HIV/AIDS, Public Health, etc. (part I)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gordon Alexander, UNICEF (Health and Reducing Child Mortality) • Santino Severoni, WHO Resident Representative Tajikistan (Health) • Nargis Azizova, UNIFEM Country Representative for Tajikistan (Gender)
16:05 – 16:25	Coffee break
16:25 – 17:10 <i>Sectoral issues and the MD Goals: Environment, HIV/AIDS, Public Health, etc. (part II)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shombi Sharp, Regional HIV/AIDS Team Leader Europe and the CIS (HIV/AIDS) • Henrieta Martonakova, UNDP BRC/Linda Ghanime, UNDP BDP EEG Team (Environment) • Abdusattor Esoev, IOM Tajikistan Programme Coordinator (Migration)
17:10 – 17:45 Comments, discussion	
17:45 – 18:00 Rapporteurs' conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vladimir Mikhalev, Policy Adviser, UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre
19:00	Reception hosted by the Government of Tajikistan, <i>Rohat Restaurant, Opposite Hotel Avesto on Rudaki Avenue</i>

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17 March: Learning from each other—Sharing country experience
Venue: Kofi Vahdat ,Rudaki Avenue, Dushanbe

<p>9:30 – 9.45 Chair: Robert Watkins, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, UNDP Resident Representative in Georgia</p>	<p>Presentation by Rapporteur on the outputs of the technical workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jacek Cukrowski, MDG Adviser, UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre
<p>9:45 – 11:15 <i>National policy maker views - MDG costing as evidence base for national strategies: methodology issues</i></p>	<p>From Europe and Central Asian countries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natalia Catrinescu, Head of Macroeconomic Policies and Development Programmes Department, Ministry of Economy and Trade (Moldova) • Ildus Kamilov, Project manager for the Welfare Improvement Strategy (Uzbekistan) • Jasmina Kijevcanin, Monitoring and Evaluation Coordinator, Deputy PM's PRS, Serbia • Suzana Velkovska, Ministry of Labour and Social Policy/Ilber Mirta, Ministry of Finance (Macedonia) • Kuralai Abisheva, Senior Expert, Socio-Economic Analysis unit under Presidential Administration (Kazakhstan)
<p>11:15-11:30 <i>Comments, discussion</i></p>	
<p>11:30 – 11:50</p>	Coffee break
<p>11:50 – 13:00 Moderator: Richard Young, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative, Turkmenistan <i>National policy makers' views from other regions</i></p>	<p>From other regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jamba Jargalsaikhan, Director General of the Macro-economic Unit of the Ministry of Finance (Mongolia) • Vivian Sundset, Deputy Director of Presidential Commission on the MDGs and Sustainable Development (Dominican Republic) + VIDEO
<p>13:00 – 13:15 <i>Comments, discussion</i></p>	
<p>13:15 – 14.45</p>	Lunch break
<p>14:45 – 15:15 <i>Draft Summary/ recommendations</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Slay, Director, Bratislava Regional Center, UNDP
<p>15:15 – 15:45 <i>Closing remarks</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Dr. Davlatov Matlubkhon Sultonovitch, State Advisor to the President of Tajikistan on Economic Policy,
<p>16:00 <i>Press Conference</i></p>	<p>Government, UNDP</p>