

Official UN Side Event on SDG 8

“Decent work and economic growth: A just transition towards a low-carbon and inclusive green economy”

Thursday, 17 November 2016, 13:15-14:45 | Mediterranean Room

This United Nations System side event aims at promoting a just transition to greener and low-carbon economies in the context of the follow-up to the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

It provides a platform for governments, enterprises, workers, communities and United Nations agencies to:

- Identify and discuss key opportunities and challenges to achieve a transition to greener and low-carbon economies and societies in the framework of the climate regime and the SDGs;
- Share good practices from the experience of countries, enterprises, workers and communities in managing the transition to greener and low-carbon economies;
- Consider ways of enhancing and coordinating the support provided to countries by the United Nations and other entities, through policies and programmes at the global, regional and national levels and scaling up good practices.

PROGRAMME

13:15 – 13:20	Moderator: Mr Moustapha Kamal Gueye, Green Jobs Programme Coordinator, International Labour Organization
13:20 – 13:40	• H.E. Andrei Kovkhuto, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of Belarus • H.E. Pawel Salek, Secretary of State, Ministry of Environment of Poland • Ms Sharan Burrow, Secretary-General, International Trade Union Confederation
13:40 – 13:55	Open discussion
13:55 – 14:25	• Ms Evelyn Cruzada, Assistant Cabinet Secretary, Office of the Cabinet Secretary, Office of the President of the Philippines • Mr Pierre Vincensini, Senior Advisor, International Organization of Employers • Mr Martin Frick, Director of Climate Change and Environment Division, UN Food and Agriculture Organization
14:25 – 14:40	Open discussion
14:40 – 14:45	Concluding remarks by panellists Wrap-up from Moderator