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## *Mission Statement*

*Stakeholder Forum for Our Common Future exists to shape a strategic, global, multi-stakeholder movement to influence and implement sustainable development agreements and the Millennium Development Goals.*



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# DIRECTOR'S COMMENT



**Felix Dodds,  
Executive Director**

*"One of the successes of Rio has been Stakeholder Forum"*

Henrique Cavalcanti (Chair of UNCSD 1995-96)

What a year or rather what a four years as Stakeholder Forum had been working on the World Summit for Sustainable Development (WSSD) since the first dinner we hosted for governments in February 1998. In addition, this year we also saw the completion of our three-year programme of work preparing for the Environment for Europe process with the Kiev Conference.

Leading our UNED UK team at the Summit was Georgina Ayre and the team included Joanna Phillips; Catherine Budgett-Meakin and Anna Birney. A special thanks for the considerable work supporting the team goes to John Gordon one of our Special Advisors. This team represented UK stakeholder views in the negotiations and in meetings with the UK Government.

The Stakeholder Forum team had five main areas of work at the Summit. We kept up the daily production of Outreach, which was first published in September 1996 and is now in its seventh year of production. As always it was up to date on the negotiations and key events. The earthsummit2002 web site hit 3.75 million hits during the Summit weeks and so made it the 3<sup>rd</sup> most used Summit web site after the UN and the South African Government web sites. Toby Middleton our Head of Communications is now converting the site to one with a 2015 horizon.

Our headline event in South Africa was the **Implementation Conference**. There were over 400 participants and the Conference launched 26 multi-stakeholder partnerships on four of the five WEHAB issues Energy, Agriculture, Health and Freshwater. Ministers and high level representatives from the US, Finland, the European Union, South Africa and Ghana as well as Nitin Desai addressed the event. The two co-ordinators of the event were Minu Hemmati and Robert Whitfield; we are forever in their debt for what they went through to pull off this wonderful event and to add to Stakeholder Forum's direction, the promotion of multi-stakeholder partnerships as a vehicle to deliver the sustainable development agreements.

The week before the Summit in Cape Town Stakeholder Forum in cooperation with the Cape Authorities, UNEP and WTO and the Responsible Tourism Foundation organized the first **Responsible Tourism Conference**. The Conference launched the Cape Town Declaration on Responsible Tourism. It is hoped the next conference will be held in Calvia in Spain in May 2004. The Conference could not have been made possible without the work of Harold Goodwin.

As part of our work on the WHAT Governance Programme we recognised at the Bali PrepCom that there was a lack of a global network for Regional Government. In the ten weeks between Bali and Johannesburg we, with support from a number of key regional governments organized the first global **Regional Government Conference**. The event agreed the Gauteng Declaration and launched a process to set up a new global network. The work of Brian Hanson and Aretha Moore made this possible

As always Stakeholder Forum tries to look forward and so we held an event called the **Future of the CSD**. The meeting followed our International Advisory Board meeting which many key stakeholders attended. We were joined by four of our Vice Presidents (**Henrique Cavalcanti, Bedrich Molden, Mustapha Tolba and Simon Upton**) and a number of government and UN officials in their personal capacity to hear presentations by four former Chairs of the CSD. Out of the meeting Stakeholder Forum produced our first paper on the Future of the CSD. The Head of our Policy and Research Rosalie Gardiner developed the work started in Johannesburg into a series of draft papers through the Autumn which helped governments and stakeholders alike to prepare for CSD11 and the Future of the CSD.

In addition to this full programme, we were at a number of other organizations' events, organized side events and floor managed every part of the negotiations.

Since the Summit a major focus for Stakeholder Forum has been the Environment for Europe process and the Kiev Conference itself in May 2003. Trevor Rees has led our work on a three-year programme of preparing stakeholders in the Ukraine for the Conference.

Robert Whitfield and Musa Salah, at the invitation of the Government of Ghana have been working on an Implementation Conference for Africa. We also organized the second Regional Government Conference in San Sebastian with over 50 Regional Governments attending from around the world, made possible by the enormous work of Aretha Moore. Our UK work focused on bringing back the outcomes from Johannesburg and starting to help the government to frame the preparations for a new UK Strategy for Sustainable Development.

As an organization Stakeholder Forum is committed to service and to helping others make their contribution more effective. We have grown considerably in the ten years we have been in existence from a UK based organization to an international multi-stakeholder forum. During that time we have had two UK chairs in Jonathon Porritt and Derek Osborn who have contributed to our overall direction and vision and since 2000 have had our international direction overseen first by Derek Osborn and Heshina Rukato and now by David Hales and Gwen Mahlangu.

We have been joined by five former chairs of the CSD as Honorary Vice Presidents, with the recent addition of **Juan Mayr**, the former Columbian Environment Minister and Chair of CSD8 together with those mentioned above.

This year we have had a number of staff that has left us and we want to say our thanks for their contributions to the development of Stakeholder Forum and wish them well in their new positions. This has included Charles Nouhan who was Deputy Director, Rosalie Gardiner Head of Policy and Research, Greg Le Divillec Administrator, Anna Birney Education Coordinator, Sarah Williams Wake Up Call, Brian Hanson Regional Government Coordinator, Simon Ford Marketing Advisor, Gordon Baker Implementation Conference and Jasmin Enayati Online Debates and Implementation Conference,

We have been joined by a number of people the new Deputy Director is Mehjabeen Price, Peter Ritchie has joined us as my Chief of Staff, Sian Slater as Administrator, Georgina Ayre is the new Head of Policy and Research and Maddy Cobb as UNED-UK Committee Project coordinator.

Stakeholder Forum owes a great debt to UNA for its financial support over the last ten years and the advice and help of Malcolm Harper, Harold Stern and Peter Dyson who it would like to thank.

As Stakeholder Forum enters its tenth year, it is looking forward to the next decade and to the opportunity, through working on both implementation as well as policy development, to contribute to the delivery of the Johannesburg Programme of Action and the Millennium Development Goals.

In the first part of the twenty-first century we are operating in a world in which multilateralism is under threat, a world, which is more unstable than any time since the end of the cold war, a world that is concentrating on the short term and a world that has in part lost its way. But in this we can also see the answers to our problems. By working together we can try and deliver the Johannesburg Programme of Action, only by working together can we deliver the Millennium Development Goals, by working together we can rebuild the hope that people need to have in their institutions. Stakeholder Forum will commit itself to this approach. Robert Kennedy said it better than I can.

"The future is not a gift: it is an achievement. Every generation helps make its own future. This is the essential challenge of the present."

*Felix Dodds*

# STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Quotes from the first 10 years...

1992-1993:

UNA takes over the Secretariat of UNEP-UK, which had been the National Committee for UNEP and located at IIED since 1987. Felix Dodds took over from Koy Thompson who had overseen UNEP-UK's key role as the facilitator of stakeholder involvement in Rio.

The governance structure was revamped to reflect Agenda 21's nine chapters on stakeholders. Jonathon Porritt agreed to be the first Chair of the organization. To also reflect Rio Gus Speth the Administrator of UNDP agreed for the new organization to become the first Focal Point for UNDP in a developed country.

UNED-UK was accepted on to the UK Government delegation for the 1992 General Assembly discussions on Agenda 21 follow up

UNED-UK conducted a survey at the first Commission on Sustainable Development to see if NGOs and other stakeholders wanted set up a facilitating body which could keep them abreast of work going on in the inter-sessional period.

Initial funding for the first year came from UNEP, UN Association, British Airways and Manchester City Council.

## An Overview - *'Beyond Earth Summit 2002,*

Stakeholder Forum began its work on preparing for post Earth Summit 2002 in 1999, when it developed a Business Plan for 2003 and beyond. This Business Plan was enacted from February 2002 but didn't come into full effect until January 2003.

The Forum developed a new Mission statement:

**Stakeholder Forum for Our Common Future** exists to shape a strategic, global, **multi-stakeholder movement** to influence and implement the outcomes from the sustainable development agreements and the Millennium Development Goals.

One of the products of the last four years has been a considerable growth in the size of Stakeholder Forum. The diversity of projects was streamlined into a number of Departments:

- Multi-stakeholder Process and Capacity Building
- Policy and Research
- Communications
- UNED-UK

And to support this: a Finance and Administration Department.

Each of the departments set objectives to help clarify why projects were being taken on.

### Multi-stakeholder Processes & Capacity Building:

- To empower stakeholders to fulfil their role in sustainable development policy making and implementation;
- To contribute to implementing the Sustainable Development Agreements and achieving the Millennium Development Goals with the aid of effective stakeholder participation and collaborative stakeholder action.

### Policy and Research:

- To provide policy support for stakeholders who are concerned with the progress of sustainable development at local to international levels.
- To encourage more integrated thinking about sustainable development in international political arenas.
- To inform and engage implementation practitioners in policy developments that is relevant to their work.

### Information and Communication:

- To provide a strategic integrated information hub on sustainable development to support, monitor and report on the implementation of the sustainable development agreements and the delivery of the Millennium Development Goals

Increasingly, Stakeholder Forum will focus on creating the space for stakeholders to participate in the implementation of the Johannesburg Programme of Implementation and the MDG's. Over the next year it will be reviewing its international governance structure and investigating the setting up of Regional Offices. It will also be changing its relationship with UNA and will become financially separate.

# MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PROCESSES & CAPACITY BUILDING

## Introduction

The aims of the Department are:

- To empower stakeholders to fulfil their role in sustainable development policy making and implementation;
- To contribute to implementing the Sustainable Development Agreements and achieving the Millennium Development Goals with the aid of effective stakeholder participation and collaborative stakeholder action.

## Implementation Conference: Stakeholder Action for Our Common Future

*The purpose of the "Implementation Conference: Stakeholder Action for Our Common Future" (IC) was to inspire stakeholders to create collectively, clear, measurable on-going action to deliver the Sustainable Development Agreements.*

The Implementation Conference process and event was designed to support the movement of citizens and organisations coming together in multi-stakeholder processes or partnerships, at local, national and international levels. Many stakeholders are determined to take action within their sphere of control and reach. People are keen to work out complementary roles and responsibilities with governments and thus develop a key component of sustainable development governance.

While much can be achieved by individual organisations, working in partnerships can often be more effective. Partnerships are not new but the Earth Summit 2002 process has brought them to the fore. The IC was aiming to contribute to harnessing their energy, creativity and courage, and thus delivering real change on the ground.

The Implementation Conference process and event poignantly highlighted the vital role of participation in generating commitment to action. Taking the lead of the existing (and emerging) Sustainable Development Agreements from and since Rio, stakeholder identified areas of future collaboration and agreed action plans that they are pursuing in partnership initiatives.

Developed between June 2001 and August 2002, the process culminated in a 3 day event immediately preceding the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, South Africa (24 – 26 August 2002). This event represented just one step towards inspiring collective action for sustainable development. Ongoing follow-up by both Stakeholder Forum and IC participants aims to ensure this momentum is sustained and expanded upon, beyond the IC outcomes generated in Johannesburg.

In preparation of the IC event, we engaged in several stages of consultations with a broad range of stakeholder organisations, governments, and international agencies:

- Consulting with Stakeholder Forum's International Advisory Board on which issues the IC process should focus on. This resulted in the four key issues of freshwater, energy, food security, and health – all to be addressed with a focus on the eradication of poverty, good governance, and gender equity. The salience of the four IC issues was subsequently re-affirmed by their close



**Minu Hemmati & Robert Whitfield,  
Co-Heads of Department**



UNED-UK officially launched in October 1993. Conference speakers included the new Executive Director of UNEP Elizabeth Dowdeswell who said:

*"The changing nature of UNED-UK reflects no less than the changing nature of the agenda in front of us."*

The programme for the first full year focused on the CSD and World Environment Day, which was to be in the UK. For the second meeting of the CSD UNED produced the only multi-stakeholder report on Health. The Secretary General's Report said of this:

*"Overall the groups from the UK constitute a model major groups response to Agenda 21. Their approach is clearly anchored in Agenda 21 as well as in local priorities."*

At the CSD UNED were one of the key organizations to facilitate setting up the CSD NGO Steering Committee and was elected as the European representative to the Committee a position it held until 1997.

For World Environment Day UNED:

- A Conference on Implementing the Climate Change Convention with FIELD & the Royal Geographical Society
- A Captain Planet Marathon with the Cartoon Network
- A WED Pack;
- A Conference on Values for a Sustainable Future with the Royal Society and WWF;
- Mapping the Future: with WWF & Proctor and Gamble.
- Schools invited to imagine their community in 2012

correlation with the five WSSD thematic areas: Water, Energy, Health, Agriculture and Biodiversity (WEHAB).

- Establishing multi-stakeholder advisory groups to each issue, tasked with identifying potential areas for collaborative action and partner organisations to engage. This led to a gradual refining of an initially the extensive list of potential action areas identified for each issue (in four rolling "Issue Papers").
- Identifying small, multi-stakeholder groups (Action Plan Groups) of interested parties and developing draft Action Plans. These groups communicated by email and telephone conferencing well before the IC event.
- Identifying "champions" for most of the Action Plan groups, i.e. key stakeholder representatives who took an encouraging leadership role within their groups.
- Inviting participants who were interested in a draft Action Plan, and motivated and mandated to engage in a partnership agreement.
- Establishing a core team of professional facilitators who identified a gender-balanced team of facilitators from around the globe who had experience with multi-stakeholder settings and sustainable development issues. Individual facilitators were linked up with individual Action Plan groups.
- Facilitating the development of focused, tailor-made agendas for each workgroup, in close consultation with potential participants.
- If the Action Plan groups so wished, we facilitated the submission of the Action Plans as WSSD "Type 2 Partnership Initiatives". By August 2002, 14 initiatives were submitted.
- Throughout the preparatory process, the IC Team fed information into the official preparatory process for the Summit, via forwarding the issue papers as they developed through several revisions, holding side events at PrepComs, and actively participating in the discussions on the Type 2 Summit Outcomes.

Over four hundred participants from over 50 countries came to the Implementation Conference itself. Supported by a 25 strong international facilitation team, 25 small, multi-stakeholder Action Plan groups worked over 3 days, developing **24 concrete, agreed and owned collaborative actions plans** focussing on specific aspects of existing and emerging policy agreements within one of the four issues:

### Freshwater

- Multi-stakeholder Review of Global Water / Sanitation Supply Strategies
- Training and Capacity Building on Gender Mainstreaming in Integrated water Resource Management
- Local Government Freshwater Capacity Building in Asia Pacific
- International Rainwater Harvesting Alliance
- Water Wise Programme – Promoting Social Solutions for Wise Use of Water
- Eradication of Diarrhoeal Disease in the Limpopo River Basin
- Strengthening Public Water Systems

### Sustainable Energy

- Biomass
- Solar Best Practice
- Global Eco Village Workshop
- Assessing Best Practice
- North South Platform (previously "Network of Oil-Affected Communities")



## Food Security

- Capacity Building for Agricultural Media Professionals (AMPs)
- Multi-stakeholder Network for Local Enterprise
- Secure and Equitable Access to Land Partnership Programme (SEAL)
- Expansion of the AgLearn Online Programme
- Eco-agriculture
- Smallholder Irrigation Promotion in Semi-arid Areas

## Health

- HIV and AIDS in the World of Work
- 'Drop the Malaria Tax' Campaign Action Group
- The Indaba Declaration on Food, Nutrition, Health and Sustainable Development
- Migration of Health Workers
- Media for Development
- Partnerships for Health Research

The outcomes of the IC were presented at Earth Summit 2002 as part of the partnership presentations.

These partnerships are about action, putting international agreements into practice. They are not about lobbying governments. Impacting policy-making was not the primary concern of the participants who gathered at the IC. However, it is hoped that the stakeholders' actions and what we learn from them will indeed feed into policy making in the future.

The Implementation Conference process and event was supported by a range of funders – we are grateful for contributions from over 20 organisations: governments, international agencies, foundations, corporations, and other stakeholders.

Since the IC event, we have been trying to keep in touch with many of the Action Plan Groups and tried to support them developing their plans further, developing proposals for funding, etc. A number of partnerships developed at the Implementation Conference were presented during the Partnerships Fair at CSD11, including Eco-agriculture Partners, the SEAL (Secure and Equitable Access to Land) Partnership Programme and the Smallholder Irrigation initiative. This essential work has been limited by limited resources. However, when engaging in a review of progress made over the summer of 2003, we found that many of the Action Plans are indeed underway. For some Action Plans, actual implementation has commenced well within nine months since the IC event, often aided by the receipt of early seed funding. For some others, the seed funding was not secured and as a result real action on the ground has had to await the completion of the fund-raising process. In some cases, however, people have worked on the Action Plan even without the necessary support, demonstrating a level of commitment and dedication that is simply admirable.

The importance of funding is clear, the importance of the right skills and knowledge to fund-raise successfully is clear. The importance of providing support for newly conceived plans to see the full light of day is clear (facilitation; governance structures; fund raising).

The power of bringing stakeholders together to pool their experience, and enhance their creativity and their commitment – this also is clear.

The IC website can be visited at [www.earthsummit2002.org/ic](http://www.earthsummit2002.org/ic)

UNED-UK produced multi-stakeholder reports for the CSD on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development and another one on Poverty.

UNED-UK also started to raise funds for developing country NGOs to participate at the CSD this was the first year it was successful ODA provided £20,000 this was something they continued to do for the next five year.

UNED-UK started providing training for stakeholders going to the CSD, which it has continued to do up to now.

In preparation for the Habitat II Conference due in June 1996 UNED-UK organized a Conference to engage UK stakeholders.

The UK Government contracted UNED-UK to organize the stakeholder involvement in the World Summit on Sustainable Development. This included:

- WSSD Newsletter;
- WSSD Web site;
- WSSD Training to lobby;
- Input to the Prep-Comms as a facilitator for stakeholders on key issues;

## Award Scheme side events

CSD-11 was also used to raise awareness of the International Award Scheme for Sustainable Development Partnerships. Two events were held: The first was a presentation at the Partnerships Fair, April 29: The Award Scheme was presented by Minu Hemmati for Stakeholder Forum, and comments were made by Bas van Leeuw for UNEP and Miguel Araujo for IUCN – The World Conservation Union. Representatives from governments, UN, business associations, farmers organisations, and NGOs entered into a lively discussion with the presenters. Several organisations pledged their support and indicated their interest in working with the Award Scheme group of partners. The programme was seen as an effective support mechanism for the Johannesburg Partnerships.

The second event was held as a joint side event on May 1, co-hosted by the Award Scheme group (SF; IUCN; UNEP; with support from the German Federal Ministry for Environment); the emerging Global Coalition for Sustainable Investments (WBCSD & IUCN); and the Centre for the Advancement of Sustainable Development Partnerships (CASDP / PartnershipsCentral). The three initiatives were presented and a detailed discussion ensued. Again, the Award Scheme was seen as a very useful mechanisms supporting partnerships. It was also noted that the partners had made significant progress in developing the programme. The joint side event was perceived as a very useful signal, indicating the willingness of organisations and groups working in sustainable development partnerships to effectively link their efforts and create synergies.

## IC Africa Side Event

With a major focus at CSD-11 on Regional Implementation Fora (later called Meetings in the CSD-11 final text), the opportunity was taken to hold a side event early in the first week to facilitate a discussion of IC Africa, of the African Regional Implementation Forum and the role that IC Africa might play in contributing towards the ARIM. The Side event was chaired by the African Union UN representative and the key note speech was made by the Ghanaian Minister for Environment and Science, Professor Kasim Kasanga. Minu Hemmati from Stakeholder Forum described IC Africa and its potential role in more detail whilst the perspective of two stakeholders was provided by Fatou Ndoeye of NESDA and Nic Opperman, representing the International Federation of Agricultural Producers.

## International Award Scheme

Stakeholder Forum has entered into a partnership with UNEP DTIE and IUCN, with support from the German Federal Ministry of Environment to develop an international award scheme, aiming to promote multi-stakeholder partnership initiatives involving business and others, with a focus on local actors. This partnership initiative will run an award scheme as well as support activities for partnerships: Awardees will receive tailor-made support for nascent partnership initiatives (governance structure, help in accessing financial sources, facilitation, knowledge management), or support for upscaling and/or replicating successful partnerships.

The partnership was accepted as a Johannesburg Type 2 Partnership in August 2002. Updated reports have been submitted twice since. It is widely perceived as an effective contribution to supporting partnerships for sustainable development.

On the basis of a background study prepared by Minu Hemmati (December 2002), a meeting of the partner organisations was held in January 2003, Gland, Switzerland. This agreed a governance structure, strategies to raise funds and engage additional partners, initial sets of award criteria, and a set of partnership support activities. It was also decided to establish the Award Scheme Secretariat at Stakeholder Forum, and conduct a review of the programme after the first award round (spring 2005).

In April 2003, an international workshop was held in Gland, with participants from governments, agencies and stakeholders. The workshop was successful in contributing to the final developments, establish collaborations with, for example, the Centre for the Advancement of Sustainable Development Partnerships (Paris), the WBCSD/IUCN initiative on sustainable investments. Since then, the Global Public Policy Institute (Berlin) has also joined the initiative. Two side events were held at CSD-11 to promote the award and engage with interested parties.

A work programme has been drawn up and the Secretariat is being established at SF since July 2003. The partners group is currently focusing on further securing the financial base (public funds), finalising the communications strategy, preparing a launch event, and getting the first award round process underway.

Website (under construction): [www.kesho.org](http://www.kesho.org)

## **Diet and Physical Activity**

Stakeholder Forum hosted an online discussion for the World Health Organisation (WHO) Diet and Physical Activity as part of the consultation process on their Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health

The WHO considers that a few largely preventable risk factors account for most of the world's disease burden. Chronic diseases - including cardiovascular conditions, diabetes, stroke, cancers and respiratory diseases - account for 59% of the 56.5 million deaths annually, and 45.9% of the global disease burden. This reflects the change in diet habits and physical activity levels worldwide resulting from industrialization, urbanization, economic development and increasing food market globalization. WHO is adopting a broad-ranging approach and has begun to formulate a population-wide, prevention-based strategy: the Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health. Its goal is to improve public health through healthy eating and physical activity, under the guiding principles:

- Provide stronger evidence for policy: synthesise existing knowledge, science and interventions on the relationship between diet, physical activity and chronic disease;
- Advocate for policy change: inform decision-makers and stakeholders of the problem, determinants, interventions and policy needs;
- Include stakeholder involvement: agree on the roles of stakeholders in implementing the global strategy;
- Create a strategic framework for action: propose appropriately tailored policies and interventions for countries.

An expert consultation document provided the scientific support for the Global Strategy. Stakeholder Forum hosted a four week internet-based discussion on behalf of the WHO to broaden the debate to share and develop civil society perspectives. The input received (and summaries) is on the website. It was presented to WHO at a meeting with leading international NGOs in Geneva on 17 May. The Global Strategy was then updated taking this consultation process into account, and presented to the World Health Assembly in May 2004.

Some (summarized) content from the online debate delivered to WHO:

- Encourage a life-course approach, as behaviours and their implications continue through life. Healthy mothers (pregnancy, birth-weight) produce healthy infants (breast-feeding), who develop healthy habits through adolescence. Support schools (importance of curricula and facilities, potential to make schools into focus areas for communities) and the family/ community unit to ensure these continue through life.
- Create environments where physical activity is a normal and enjoyable part of everyday life. Reduce the dominance of sedentary (especially car) travel and promote more active forms of transport; tackle sedentary behaviour (especially television) at an early age and in school (curricula); and pressure governments to provide adequate, safe recreational space.
- Develop an international code and national strategies through which civil society can ensure and direct progress. Civil society should provide surveillance, promote accessibility, encourage and support governments in health promotion strategies and help spread knowledge and awareness of diet, behaviour, environment, food security and disease. Create a network to advance these efforts together!

Full details of the on-line debate can be found at [www.dietphysicalactivityforum.org](http://www.dietphysicalactivityforum.org)

Time for Change at UNED-UK with Jonathon Porritt stepping down after four years and Derek Osborn the former Director General of the UK Department of Environment taking up the Chairmanship of UNED.

*"I guess the concept of sustainable development seems to have weathered the storms of the last few years; it's still with us for better or worse; I think that we still have a great deal of work to make it both transparent, and truly useful to people in a way that we would really like it to, and UNED-UK will continue to serve that purpose in whatever way we can, and therefore serve its members in whatever way we can to help you understand that part we are doing and what the UN is doing."*

Jonathon Porritt

UNED-UK Continued to work on sustainable human development through its work on the Beijing and Habitat II Conferences:

*"UNED-UK's network in the UK is a good example of how UNDP can work with partners in civil society to disseminate our message about why development cooperation is essential and how the UN can play a vital role in improving poor peoples lives."*

Gus Speth UNDP Administrator

The new Chair of the CSD was Ambassador Cavalcanti CSD Chair 95-96 and former Brazilian Environment Minister who spoke at our Conference and said:

*"Few documents I have seen that cover in such a thorough fashion the functions,*

Further information on WHO's Global Strategy at [www.who.int/hpr/consultation.document.shtml](http://www.who.int/hpr/consultation.document.shtml)

## Sustainable Agriculture

Since December 2002, Stakeholder Forum has been supporting Bayer CropScience in the co-ordination of stakeholder consultation process to determine how the company can best contribute towards the implementation of Sustainable Agriculture. The consultation process initially engaged key Bayer CropScience representatives from all regions in which the company operates to develop a company strategy paper on Sustainable Agriculture. The process was then broadened through the organisation of an external stakeholder consultation workshop, the purpose of which was to constructively evaluate, challenge and help shape Bayer CropScience's strategic direction and commitments pertaining to Sustainable Agriculture. The workshop, held at Bayer CropScience's headquarters in Monheim, Germany, was attended by over 30 representatives from Bayer CropScience and a variety of external stakeholder groups, including farmers' organisations, non-governmental organisations, the agri-food industry, inter-governmental organisations and the scientific community. Workshop discussion generated a number of ideas and options on how Bayer CropScience can maximize its contribution to Sustainable Agriculture, particularly on the importance of strengthening stakeholder consultation and collaboration as a means of achieving this.

### Implementation Conference Africa (IC Africa)

IC Africa is a Government of Ghana initiative, with the support of Stakeholder Forum. It is aimed at promoting the implementation of the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation and the Millennium Development Goals and being carried out in collaboration with the Governments of Cameroon, Kenya, Morocco and Zambia. Other collaborators include the AU, AMCEN, UNEP, UNDP and stakeholder representatives..The IC Africa programme is intended to make a significant contribution towards achieving the NEPAD priorities and linkages are being developed with the NEPAD secretariat. The process draws heavily upon Stakeholder Forum's experience of stakeholder action processes such as the Implementation Conference process developed in the run-up to the WSSD in Johannesburg.

IC Africa is a programme of activities designed to launch collaborative stakeholder action and uses a new approach to draw stakeholders into implementation and harness people's experience, creativity and commitment

ICA is a programme that aims to empower stakeholders to fulfil their role in sustainable development policy-making and implementation; to bring together stakeholders to develop and commit to concrete, collaborative action plans; to promote knowledge exchange among partnership initiatives; and to promote regional unity through collaborative implementation of regional, sub-regional, and national programmes.

It is a 4 phased programme: Programme Development is dedicated to establishing a partners group and jointly raising funds. The Capacity Building phase will include 5 sub-regional workshops. These will aim to raise awareness of the Johannesburg Summit outcomes and the MDGs, and to help build knowledge and skills that enable stakeholders to develop and implement effective partnership programmes. Initiating Collaborative Stakeholder Action will aim to inspire, create collective, clear and measurable on-going action to deliver the Summit outcomes and the MDGs in Africa. It will build on existing partnership programmes and initiate new ones. This will culminate in an multi-stakeholder event to be held in Accra, Ghana, with up to 700 participants. Finally the Monitoring and Knowledge Management phase will provide services that help partnerships in their effective implementation and aim to feed experiences back into policy-making processes.

IC Africa was initiated by the Ghanaian Minister of Environment, Prof Dominic Fobih, in September 2003 following the Implementation Conference Johannesburg process and is very much along the lines of the UN Secretary General's Report for CSD-11, which recommends regional implementation processes.. The programme has been discussed in open forum, and at IC Africa partner meetings, at the UNEP General Council meeting in February, CSD-11 in May, the AMCEN meeting in Maputo in June and the African Union Presidents Meeting in Maputo in July - all with very positive results.

# POLICY AND RESEARCH

## **Incorporating the WHAT Governance Programme**

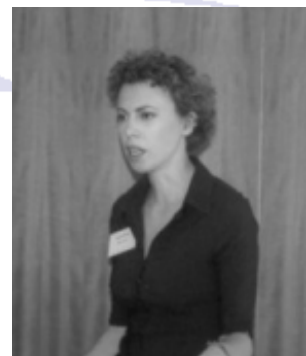
"Governance is the framework of social and economic systems and legal and political structures through which humanity manages itself."

What Humanity Action Trust (WHAT)

### **Introduction**

Aim of Department is to give:

"External policy support for stakeholders who have a concern in the progress of sustainable development at local to international levels, in order to encourage more integrated thinking about sustainable development in international political arenas as well as to inform and engage implementation practitioners in policy developments of particular relevance to their work."



**Rosalie Gardiner,  
Head of Policy & Research**

### **For WSSD**

#### **Responsible Tourism in Destinations Conference - Shaping sustainable spaces into netter places**

Although Tourism did not become a key issue at the Summit, Stakeholder Forum with the International Centre for Responsible Tourism, WTO, UNEP, WTTC, IFTO, the Western Cape Tourism Board and the South African Government organized a conference the week before the Summit. Harold Goodwin co-chaired the Conference for Stakeholder Forum with Mike Fabricius. The Cape Town Declaration on Responsible Tourism was adopted at the Conference.

### **Future of the CSD**

The Johannesburg Plan of Implementation agreed upon at the World Summit mandated a reform in the organisation and work programme of the Commission on Sustainable Development. However, no discussions were had as to what form this change would take. In response, Stakeholder Forum took the initiative to host a workshop with key stakeholders, governments and UN Staff to discuss possible options for the future direction of the CSD. Four former Chairs of the CSD were invited to give their views on this, and initiate wider debate with participants. ;

**Henrique Cavalcanti** (CSD Chair 1995)

**Mustapha Tolba** (CSD Chair 1997)

**Simon Upton** (CSD Chair 1999)

**Bedrich Molden** (CSD Chair 2001)

A non-paper was produced as an outcome of the work-shop, and was further developed through increased stakeholder consultation during the Autumn.

### **Network Regional Government 4 Sustainable Development**

During the preparatory process for the Summit, a clear gap in levels of governance was identified at the Regional (sub-national) level. In response, Stakeholder Forum held a number of consultations with regional government representatives at the final WSSD Prepcom, Bali, Indonesia. From these discussions it was agreed that Stakeholder Forum would organize a conference for Regional

organization activities and decisions of the CSD as the UNED-UK report on the "Three Years since the Rio Earth Summit."

UNED-UK with the US National Wildlife Federation worked on promoting debate on New Financial Mechanisms through a series of events from 1995-1997 at the UN and around other fora

At UNED-UK Conference 1995 "Sustaining Developments since the Rio Summit" Jonathon Porritt said:

*"I received a letter yesterday from an individual member of UNED-UK, who said that he had decided not to renew his membership of UNED-UK on two accounts:*

*One, he thought that we were a bunch of process 'wonks'. This is quite a heavy hitting criticism I thought, in as much as I've never seen myself as a process 'work' before now, and chairing a gathering of process wonks is not precisely what I thought I was here to do.*

*But fortunately my confidence in the organization was restored during lunch, when I was button holed by a truly angry delegate to the Conference who asked me as Chair of UNED-UK if I had left it a bit late to do anything about the 1997 CSD (Rio+5) meeting. I suppose that is part of the point; if we want to do anything about the 1997 CSD meeting, we'd better start now.*

*That is one thing that UNED-UK is able to do."*

The second UN Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) had two main aims - adequate shelter for all and creating sustainable human settlements. UNED-UK played a critical role in two areas;

Government in Johannesburg. The work undertaken between Bali and Johannesburg produced:

- The Gauteng Declaration;
- A web site for Regional Government
- A commitment to setting up a new global network for Regional Government

### **WHAT Governance Programme**

Throughout the Summit process Stakeholder Forum provided background papers on key policy issues that the Summit might address, non-papers were also produced on the structure of the draft negotiating document during the preparatory meetings. Through the "WHAT Governance Programme" Stakeholder Forum also forged a partnership with GLOBE Southern Africa to produce debates on key issues relating to governance.

Finally, through lobbying and advocacy the Department sought to enable governments to make informed policy decisions, by providing them with policy recommendations developed through extensive multi-stakeholder consultation.

### **Briefing paper series**

#### **Economic Series**

- Sustainable Finance: Seeking Global Financial Security
- Sustaining Our Global Public Goods
- Sustainable Tourism - turning the tide
- Foreign Direct Investment - A lead driver for sustainable development

#### **Environment Series**

- Climate Change and Energy: Can We Weather the Switch to Sustainable Energy?
- Oceans and Seas: Harnessing the Marine Environment for Sustainable Development
- The Rio Conventions: Committing to Sustainability
- Freshwater

#### **Social Series**

- Gender Equity and Sustainable Development
- Health and Environment: Supporting Sustainable Livelihoods
- Towards Global Food Security - fighting against hunger

#### **Habitat II series**

- Cities as Symbols of Hope: The Habitat and Istanbul+5 Process
- A World of Difference? The Earth Summit 2002 process
- Investing in the Future: Financing for Development Process
- Making Women Count: The Beijing Process
- Promoting Development with a Human Face: The Social Summit Process
- Whose Decision it is Anyway? Decision-making Processes at the national & international Level
- Promoting Involvement in the Search for Sustainability - We are all Stakeholders Now

## Governance

As part of the WHAT Governance programme the Department produced a number of key papers developed with members of its International Advisory Board and members of WHAT. These included:

- Post Johannesburg: The future of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development. November 2002
- Report on "The Future of the CSD" side event held during the 57th UN General Assembly. Thursday 14th November 2002
- Governance for Sustainable Development: Outcomes from Johannesburg. Presentation at Global Governance 2002: Redefining Global Democracy. Montreal, Canada, October 2002
- Comments on the WSSD Prep Com 4 text on "Institutional framework for Sustainable Development"
- A Contribution to the WSSD Working Group III Text on "Sustainable Development Governance"
- A contribution to the to the WSSD Working Group III Text on "Local Governance"
- The Future of the Commission on Sustainable Development 4. Governance for Sustainable Development
- Inter-linkages Among Multilateral Environmental UNED Report to International Eminent persons meeting, Japan, Tokyo September 2001
- Analysis of UNEP Executive Director's Report on International Environmental Governance (UNEP/IGM/1/2. Produced for a Stakeholder Forum workshop, by Johannah Bernstein, May 2001
- International Environmental Governance: The Role of UNEP Stakeholder Forum workshop, May 2001

## Issue Specific Reporting Templates

To help stakeholders to be able to monitor the implementation of Agenda 21 the Department have produced a number of resources this include:

- **National Reporting Template:** The time-bound commitments in Agenda 21 - -
- **Developing Countries** - Agenda 21, Ch. 2 and CSD commitments
- **Combating Poverty** - Agenda 21, Chapter 3
- **Changing Consumption Patterns** - Agenda 21, Chapter 4
- **Demographic Dynamics** - Agenda 21, Ch. 5 and CSD commitments
- **Promoting Health** - Agenda 21, Ch. 6 and CSD commitments
- **Human Settlements** - Agenda 21, Ch. 7 and CSD commitments
- **Integrated Decision-making** - Agenda 21 Ch. 8 and CSD commitments
- **Atmosphere** - Agenda 21 Ch. 9 and CSD commitments
- **Land** - Agenda 21, Ch. 10 and CSD commitments
- **Forests** - Agenda 21, Ch. 11 and CSD commitments
- **Desertification** - Agenda 21, Chapter 12 and CSD commitments
- **Mountains** - Agenda 21 Ch. 13 and CSD Commitments
- **Agriculture** - Agenda 21, Chapter 14 and CSD commitments
- **Biological Diversity** - Agenda 21 Ch. 15 and CSD commitments
- **Biotechnology** - Agenda 21 Ch 16 and CSD commitments
- **Oceans** - Agenda 21, Ch. 17 and CSD commitments
- **Freshwater** Agenda 21, Ch. 18 and CSD and commitments
- **Toxic Chemicals** - Agenda 21, Ch. 19 and CSD commitments

- Set up the global NGO Coalition for the Summit
- Facilitated the NGO lobbying teams at the Summit.
- Organized an intergovernmental/stakeholder workshop on Implementing Habitat II and the Follow Up
- Organized a series of workshops at the PrepComms and summit
- Ran training for lobbying for NGOs attending the PrepComms and the Summit

UNED-UK succeeded in getting the NGO amendments to the government text brought out as an official UN Information document. This is the first and only time this has happened at a UN meeting.

In the UK we

- Organized a series of seminars on sustainable cities, transport, health, design and implementation, women, people and livelihoods and physiology and metabolism of cities;
- Facilitated meetings in nine cities with an average of 120 people taking part in each.

- **Solid Wastes** - Adenda 21, Ch. 21 and CSD Commitments
- **Radioactive wastes** - Agenda 21, Ch. 22 and CSD commitments
- **Children and youth** - Agenda 21, Ch. 25 and CSD commitments
- **Education** - Agenda 21, Ch. 36 and CSD commitments

## **Beyond the World Summit on Sustainable Development**

### *11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development*

In preparation for CSD 11 the Department hosted a dinner for governments in New York , November, 2002, it further organized a side event during the UN General Assembly Committee Two meeting. Both events invited speakers and participants to discuss the organisational reform and future work programme of the Commission.

For the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development, April 28 – May 9, 2003, the Department carried a number of consultative and reporting activities, these included:

#### *Consultations:*

**Stakeholder Survey:** As a contribution to this discussion on the future of the CSD, Stakeholder Forum conducted an international survey of stakeholders and governments. The survey was carried out through a written questionnaire that was emailed to stakeholders, intergovernmental bodies and governments through various e-groups (e.g. CSD / WSSD caucuses) and to direct contacts. It was restricted to email outreach due to limitations of time and resources. The results of the survey were compiled in a report detailed below.

#### *On-line Debate*

To further open up the consultation, an on-line debate was hosted on Stakeholder Forum's website. A highly focused and technical debate was held on the six areas in which decisions would be taken at CSD 11, as detailed below;

Issues for consideration and resolution:

- I: Reaffirming the Purpose and Mission of the CSD
- II: Nature of the Outcomes and Decisions of the CSD
- III: Relationships between the CSD and other Actors and Institutions
- IV: Organization of the CSD and Working Method
- V: Substantive Programme of Work
- VI: Participation Issues: Creating Real Partnerships

#### **Reports:**

##### *Review of the Secretary General's Report on the Future of the Commission on Sustainable Development*

According to the Secretary General's report on the "*Follow up to Johannesburg and the Future Role of the CSD – The Implementation Track*" (E/CN.17/2003/2) the 11th CSD will aim to make decisions on the following areas:

- Multi-year programme of work
- New organisational arrangements



- Proposed transformation of its Ad Hoc Intersessional Working Group into Regional and Global Implementation Forums and Expert Forums
- Increased involvement of intergovernmental organisations and major groups
- Increased role for scientists and educators
- CSD as a focal point for partnerships for sustainable development

This paper summaries the main points of the SG's report that relate to each of these areas. It includes comments about the paper's recommendations, and suggestions for possible areas of further development.

*Follow-up to the Johannesburg Summit and the Future Role of the UN CSD – An Issue Paper for Multi-Stakeholder Consideration*

This Issue Paper built on the stakeholder survey, and the initial policy paper released in December 2002, 'The Future of the Commission on Sustainable Development', as well as other sources for the purpose of delineating issues in a manner in which they can be specifically decided, and suggests desirable outcomes from CSD 11. The structure of the paper generally tracks that of the Secretary-General's Report, with comments, issue identification and suggested actions on major components of the SSgt's Report.

This paper remained in *draft* up until 26th April where it was be tabled alongside other contributions from other organisations at the pre-planned stakeholder workshop which took place in New York. The paper and the event informed the drafting of a 2-page document focused on policy suggestions, containing useful language suggested by Stakeholder Forum and others, for inclusion in the outcomes from CSD 11.

*The Future of the CSD: Stakeholder Survey*

The results of the survey (detailed above) were compiled into a summary and a full report. The report aims to provide an initial outline of some stakeholder preferences regarding the future structure and activities of the CSD. It also includes direct references to some of the respondents' comments or suggestions for alternative approaches. Stakeholder Forum would like to thank all those who contributed to this project and responded to the questionnaire.

**Events**

*Future of the CSD Workshop*

On Saturday 26 April, Stakeholder Forum in partnership with IUCN and the Heinrich Boell Foundation hosted a workshop prior to CSD 11. The workshop sought to create an opportunity for stakeholders to exchange ideas about what a successful CSD 11 might look like. Four notable recommendations put forward from the workshop were;

- Concerns about the transition year,
- Effective issue selection - choosing the issues ripe for debate eg freshwater in the first cycle,
- Flexible accreditation and participation - many NGOs involved in implementation are not accredited to the UN EcoSoc,
- New policy mechanisms such as task forces/public policy networks should be considered to move forward issues.

*Future of the CSD Side event*

The outcomes from the workshop were presented at a side event in the first week with presentations by John Waugh from IUCN and Rosalie Gardiner from Stakeholder Forum.

UNED-UK started the year preparing for Rio+5 with a seminar at Green College this was followed up by a focus on a series of events for the five-year review this included:

Within the UK:

- A joint ICC/ UNED-UK Conference - Earth Summit II A Business Input
- UNED-UK Conference - Towards Earth Summit II
- UNED-UK AGM with opposition spokesperson Michael Meacher
- Worked with MPs to prepare a set of parliamentary debates on the Summit;
- Training for those UK stakeholders going to the Summit
- Produced with Earthscan a book on the key issues for the Summit - *The Way Forward Beyond Agenda 21*
- A Conference after the general election 'Earth Summit II - Setting the Agenda for the Twenty-first century'

*"The Way Forward Beyond Agenda 21 is an important contribution to the body of knowledge we have developed since the Earth Summit. Produced by UNED-UK, which is UNDP's focal point in the UK, it provides yardsticks and benchmarks for progress and failures - since Rio and guides us on our journey towards a more sustainable planet."*  
Gus Speth UNDP Administrator

Internationally

Derek Osborn UNED-UK's Chair was chosen with Ambassador Amorin of Brazil to Chair the PrepComs for Rio+5 and they also Chaired most of the key negotiations at the Special Session.

## *CSD 11 Regional Government*

As part of the promotion of the new Regional Government Network a side event was organized which was chaired by Stakeholder Forum Vice President Juan Mayr and speakers included Nitin Desai Secretary General of WSSD, Sabin....Intxaurraga Basque Minister of Planning and the Environment, Matthew Quinn Welsh Government, Luc Bas Flemish Government and **Xabier Ezeizabarrena** from the Academic Forum.

### *'The Role of Local Governance'*

Building on the work carried out during the Summit process, Georgina Ayre and Rosalie Gardiner facilitated a side-event 'The Role of Local Governance', hosted in partnerships with, and supported by Local Government International Bureau. The event aimed to raise the profile of local governance further up the agenda of the CSD, giving it greater recognition during the organisation reform of the Commission. Although successful in raising awareness amongst stakeholders, unfortunately reference to the local level remains conspicuous by their absence in the outcomes of the Summit.

### *Network Regional Government 4 Sustainable Development*

Following up Johannesburg we help organize the Second Conference for Regional Government in San Sebastian in April 2003. The Conference outcomes were a:

- Draft constitution;
- Guidance note on developing a sustainable development strategy;
- Guidance note on bilateral cooperation;
- New network for academics to support the Regional Government Network;
- Initial work on responsible tourism for Regional Government.

### *Civil Society and the WTO*

Stakeholder Forum has traditionally worked within 'soft' negotiating forum such as the Commission on Sustainable Development. As the expertise and reputation of the organisations grows it seems a natural progression for it to move into other negotiating forum such as the WTO. In October, Stakeholder Forum intends to launch a two-year work programme focused around civil society engagement and the WTO. Scoping exercises began on this in April 2003, and it is hoped that the programme will gain momentum and support during the 5<sup>th</sup> Ministerial of the WTO, Cancun, September 2003. Through the work programme Stakeholder Forum aims to enable more informed and representative policy and decision making on trade and (trade) related issues at all levels. This will be achieved through improved processes of engagement of civil society and by enhancing the capacity of stakeholders to participate and influence policy and decision making on trade and trade related issues.

### *G8 Sherpa's Meeting*

In May, Stakeholder Forum was invited to take part in a meeting organized by the Montreal International Forum with the G8 Sherpa's. Representatives from international NGOs met to discuss the G8 agenda and that future G8 meetings should have a multi-stakeholder dialogue. The French Government Sherpa held the meeting and agreed to input to the G8 discussions the views expressed in the meeting. The next G8 will be in the US and the one following that in the UK. Stakeholder Forum met with the FCO team planning the 2005 G8 to discuss the possibility of a multi-stakeholder component to that G8.

# COMMUNICATIONS

## Providing Information to a wide Range of Stakeholders

The aim of the Department is

“To provide a strategic integrated information hub on sustainable development to support, monitor and report on the implementation of the Johannesburg Goals towards the delivery of the Millennium Development Goals”

## For the World Summit on Sustainable Development

### *Using the Internet to Demystify the UN Summit Process*

The Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development presented the challenge of consolidating 10 years of work since the 1992 Rio ‘Earth Summit’, assessing progress achieved and charting a course for future delivery. Numerous agencies, commitments, work programmes and initiatives emerged from the decade of activity.

In order to plot a clear course towards the summit, for all stakeholders from all regions, Stakeholder Forum developed a dedicated portal on the summit process. Starting in January 2000 and concluding in December 2002, the web-site provided a one-stop shop for all interested parties. The website, [www.earthsummit2002.org](http://www.earthsummit2002.org), included the following resources:

- Daily news updates
- Regular Summit updates
- Links to Stakeholder Forum’s other summit resources, including:
  - Network 2002 monthly online newsletter
  - Outreach 2002 conference daily journal from all the PrepComms
  - Policy briefing papers and toolkits
  - Governance materials
  - Multi-Stakeholder Process research
- Links to all the events and initiatives hosted at the summit
- Video diaries with key government, UN and Stakeholder representatives from all the PrepComms
- Online debates & Polls on key issues
- Links to all the government, UN and Stakeholder groups involved in the summit process
- The Roadmap to 2002, plotting the 10 years leading up to the summit
- A UN Documents archive from the past 10 years

Over the last year, the site included more interactive facilities as the summit process gathered pace. These video diaries, online polls and online debates gave both an inside track from the lead protagonists as well as a platform for discussion between the preparatory meetings. During 2002 Stakeholder Forum’s research into multi-stakeholder processes and resulting Implementation Conference, as its key contribution to the Summit, were posted to the site broadening the scope of those involved in the process.

In qualitative terms the web-site, [www.earthsummit2002.org](http://www.earthsummit2002.org), offered a unique consolidation of the Summit process. In quantitative terms the site generated:

- More than 10,000 unique users each month.



**Toby Middleton,  
Head of Communications**

UNED-UK proposed through the CSD NGO Steering Committee to the UN General Assembly that multi-stakeholder dialogues should be introduced at the CSD;

- UNED Director with Susan Tanner Director of FoE Canada and Michael McCoy the coordinator of the US Citizen Network facilitated the production of 'Towards Earth Summit II', which was a compilation of NGO issues for the Summit;
- UNED facilitated the NGO lobbying teams for the Summit;
- Launch a new newsletter Outreach which comes out during the negotiations
- UNED Director was elected Co-Chair of the NGO CSD Steering Committee (1997-2001).

- Over 100,000 unique users during the summit itself
- Over 3.75 million hits to the site during the summit.
- More than 1000 downloads of the Video diaries
- Up to 500 subscribers to the online debates & polls

### Publications:

As part of its aim to support input by stakeholders into the summit process, Stakeholder Forum produced an integrated package of publications designed to meet this need. Principally, this included policy, governance and reporting but also extended to meeting reports, press releases and guidance notes, as follows:

The Summit process drew together a large inter-disciplinary community of delegates, experts and stakeholders at periodic meetings specific to the summit as well as their own fields. To support this process, provide focus and generate continuity there was a need to provide a generic reporting service offering an overview to the summit process. Stakeholder forum produced two journals to meet this demand.

**Network 2002**, an e-newsletter was produced monthly and included reports on key meetings, news updates on associated processes, stakeholder views on key issues, interviews, political analysis on policy and process as well as a platform for the emerging partnership discussion. As well as being posted on the web, Network was distributed by list server with a circulation of over 50,000 key organisation from around the world.

Network included:

- Analysis of the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development Ministerial PrepComm
- Analysis of the outcome of the World Summit on Sustainable Development
- G8 Heads of State Meeting
- Opinion Piece by Simon Upton
- International Stockholm Water Symposium
- Reform of the Commission on Sustainable Development
- Coverage of the preparations for and outcomes of the UNECE Environment for Europe Conference
- Interviews with Jonathan Margolis, US State Dept., & Catherine Day, EC Dir. Gen. for Environment
- Analysis of the 22nd Session of the UNEP Governing Council
- Analysis of the 3rd World Water Forum
- Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development

**Outreach 2002**, sister journal to Network, was published in hard copy as well as on the web at the summit's preparatory meetings. Providing a real time insight into the negotiations and parallel processes, Outreach offered both those at the meetings as well as those following the process remotely to keep and inside track. Similarly to Network, Outreach included reports on each negotiated session, articles on side events, and interviews with prominent delegates, commentary on key issues and even humour.

Outreach 2002 was produced each day at:

- The World Summit on Sustainable Development Ministerial PrepComm
- The World Summit on Sustainable Development

*"Your (UNED-UK) work will serve as a model for others throughout the world."*

*Al Gore US Vice President*

*"The European Commission, preparing for UNGASS regards UNED-UK's contribution to the CSD process, and particularly their role in co-ordinating the input of the northern NGOs, as important, positive and useful. UNED-UK have played a key role in ensuring that the NGOs are able to reach agreement on a united position and make their input early enough to have a real influence. As a result the preparations for UNGASS is a real example of multi-stakeholder participation in action."*

*Margaret Brusasco MacKenzie European Commission DGXI*

- The 11th Session of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development.

**Connections** has been UNED-UK's quarterly magazine reporting on post Rio sustainable development policies and processes. It has been a platform for the exchange of information and with a circulation of over 3,500 and now found on the internet Connections continues to be a vital part of Stakeholder Forum's portfolio of publications

## Beyond the Summit

### *CSD 11*

**Outreach 2015:** Now in its 8<sup>th</sup> year, Outreach 2015 continues to provide finger on the pulse reporting directly from the conference floor. At CSD 11 Outreach, now branded 2015 in line with its sister monthly e-journal – Network 2015 – was printed daily as well as posted online to [www.earthsummit2002.org](http://www.earthsummit2002.org). Similarly to the increased reporting scope adopted by Outreach at the Johannesburg Summit, the newsletter covered not only the negotiations including political analysis, but also the Partnership initiatives that emerged from Johannesburg and were showcased at the CSD. As ever, Outreach included opinion pieces from the Stakeholders themselves covering key issues under discussion during the session as well as those crucially off the agenda.

**Network 2015:** Reflecting the organisation's strategic focus of the Millennium Development Goals, our monthly online newsletter now bears the name Network 2015. Network retains its focus of reporting on the wide range of international processes and meetings concerning sustainable development. In addition, however, Network 2015 will increasingly include reports on stakeholder initiatives and partnerships. By expanding its mandate in this way, Network 2015 will provide a complete reporting service covering policy to practice in follow up to the WSSD and leading towards the Millennium Development Goals.

## Books

In conjunction with the publishing house Earthscan Stakeholder Forum has produced a number of books that focus on the international sustainable development process.

**Multi-Stakeholder Process for Governance and Sustainability - Beyond Deadlock and Conflict** by Dr Minu Hemmati was launched at the UN in January 2002. It still represents the best practical guide on how MSPs can be organized and implemented in order to bypass adversarial politics, resolve complex issues and achieve positive results.

**Earth Summit 2002 - A New Deal** edited by Stakeholder Forum's Director Felix Dodds and Toby Middleton, has articles identifying the key issues that the Summit dealt with. Although produced for the Summit the chapters are still relevant to those interested in international policy development. Contributors include WSSD Secretary General Nitin Desai, Gro Harlem Brundtland, former CSD Chair Simon Upton and former UK Environment Minister Rt Hon John Gummer, MP.

**Poverty in Plenty: a Human Development Report** edited by Jane Seymour - In October 2000 UNED-UK Committee published the widely acclaimed first developed country Human Development Report

### **New Books for 2003/4 by Stakeholder Forum:**

Due out by December will be a new Book by Felix Dodds with Michael Struass called **How to Lobby at Inter-Governmental Meetings or Mine is a Café Latte**. The book explores how to lobby within the UN system and draws on over ten years of experience of the two authors.

**Plain Guide to Johannesburg Programme of Implementation** by Jan McHarry, Rosalie Gardiner and Janet Strachen produced jointly by Stakeholder Forum and the Commonwealth Secretariat will be out for April 2004. The book attempts to make Johannesburg understandable to a wide range of people. In

Although Rio+5 had only just finished UNED-UK started immediately on work for Earth Summit 2002. They brought out a book by Tom Bigg and Derek Osborn reviewing what had been achieved in Rio+5. The Forward to the book was by Rt Hon Tony Blair UK Prime Minister:

*"I am proud of the role that the UK played at the special Session. The strength and depth of our team, including many representatives from outside government, demonstrated our commitment to sustainable development. It also showed the effective action means bringing the domestic and international agendas together, something I know UNED-UK and other NGOs in this country have been working hard to promote."*

By February 1998 UNED-UK were organizing their first government breakfast to prepare for Earth Summit 2002. This they did again in April 1998 and produced a famous 'non paper'.

The CSD in 1998 had the first CSD Dialogue session with stakeholders. UNED played a critical role in facilitating the NGO side and in designing the Dialogues.

UNED-UK received a three year grant to work on Gender issues and on World Environment Day held a conference 'Gender and Humanity'.

*"Through its Gender 21 programme, UNED-UK ensures that women are recognised as key players in sustainable development and are empowered to take on this role."*

Sunetra Puri

doing so it does a similar thing to the Plain Guide to Rio produced by the Centre for Our Common Future after Rio. The book will carry the original introduction by Chip Lindner who died during the WSSD process.

**Governance for Sustainability** edited by Rosalie Gardiner and Georgina Ayre due out in April 2004 it is a collection of key chapters on governance issues relating to the WEHAB agenda issues. Contributors include Ian Christie, Maria Ivanova, Minu Hemmati, Andrew Simms, Alan Hall, Richard Sherman, Yasmin von Schirnding, Robert Paarlberg, Andrew Deutz, Rosalie Gardiner, Georgina Ayre, David Hales and Derek Osborn Both of the last books are produced under the WHAT Governance Programme

## Handbooks and Tools for stakeholders

### *Briefing for Participation in Earth Summit 2002*

The art of negotiations is a fine one, honed through a process of network and relationship building within a given process. In-depth understanding of an issue is often not enough to ensure a position on it is effectively sold. Drawing on 10 years of experience gained the hard way Stakeholder Forum developed a brief guide for delegates new to the process by way of the Summit, to help short-cut this process.

The How to Lobby Guide included pointers on how a process operates, who are the key players, how to develop and build a lobby strategy, which relationships need to be built and what makes a good network? The guide distributed and used extensively through our International Advisory Board network and was so well received it is now to be published as a book.

**Bonn Dialogue Sessions CD-ROM: Equitable Access and Sustainable Supply of Water for the Poor**, edited by Danielle Morley, is Stakeholder Forum's CD ROM diary of the International Conference on Freshwater hosted by the German Government in Bonn, 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> December 2001. This CD the first of its kind by Stakeholder Forum, contains extensive video diaries of the event and the complete text of the two landmark plenary sessions of Multi-stakeholder Dialogues

*"The Bonn Multi-stakeholder dialogue stood out because of how it was put together, the way it was facilitated, and because the instructions given to the participants actually turned it into a dialogue."*

Franklin Moore, USAID

# INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

## Extraordinary Meeting

Whilst stakeholders were gathered in Johannesburg for the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Stakeholder Forum arranged to gather together those members of its International Advisory Board as were in town for a meeting.

So an Extraordinary Meeting was held on 1<sup>st</sup> September in the beautiful surroundings of the Houghton Estate in Johannesburg. Outgoing IAB Co-Chair Derek Osborn led the beginning of the meetings before handing over to David Hales, the incoming Co-Chair. Gwen Mahlangu remains as the female Co-Chair but unfortunately could not attend the meeting.

The agenda of the meeting was to look at lessons learnt in the two year run up to the Summit, to look at the proposed post-Summit focus of work for Stakeholder Forum, and to look at its future structure.

Immediately afterwards the meeting opened out in to an open discussion, under Chatham House rules, on the *Future of the Commission on Sustainable Development and Multi-Stakeholder Involvement*. To initiate discussion several former Chairs of the CSD, namely Simon Upton, Henrique Cavalcanti, Bedrich Moldan and Mostafa Tolba, shared their thoughts with the IAB members and other invited high level guests. The thoughts and ideas generated by this discussion will help to shape Stakeholder Forum's work in the post-Summit era – ensuring it is relevant to stakeholders and where the sustainable development process needs strengthening.

UNED-UK started work in preparation for the 1999 WHO European Environment and Health Conference. They were given a contract by WHO to organize the Global Forum for the event.

## Introduction

The aims of UNED-UK Committee are:

“To promote sustainable development in the UK through the shaping of a strategic multi-stakeholder movement to influence and implement sustainable development agreements and the Millennium Development Goals at all levels.”

UNED-UK Committee, the domestic arm of Stakeholder Forum for Our Common Future (formerly UNED Forum), is the UK Committee for the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the UK Focal Point for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). UNED-UK Committee seeks to facilitate multi-stakeholder processes for two purposes:

- Multi-stakeholder participation in decision and policy making at all levels
- Multi-stakeholder facilitation of action programmes for sustainable development

## For the World Summit on Sustainable Development

*UK Preparations for, and Activities at the World Summit on Sustainable Development – A Unique National Multi-stakeholder Process*

With grants and support in kind from the UK Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Northumbrian Water, RSPB, RICS Foundation and building on the work under-taken during 2001-2002, UNED-UK Committee continued to lead a national process of multi-stakeholder dialogue around six sectoral issues:

- Biodiversity and Natural Resources Conservation
- Education for Sustainable Development
- Energy and Climate Change
- Population and Sustainability
- Sustainable Cities and Communities
- Sustainable Production and Consumption

As the pace quickened in preparation for the World Summit, the dialogue groups gained momentum, carrying with it an increasing number of participants committed to the process. The development and adoption of a flexible but consistent strategy across each of the dialogues groups enabled coherency in the outputs, and contribution to the National and International summit preparations. Each dialogue coordinator attended the international preparatory meetings, and was therefore able to effectively provide UK stakeholders not able to attend the meetings with a concensual voice, with the objective of driving priority issues further up the Summit agenda.

Uniquely the process evolved to build the capacity of UK stakeholders, enabling them to engage more effectively with UN processes. Through the provision and translation of information on policy, decision and negotiating processes, and the collation and dissemination of information relevant to the dialogue groups, UNED-UK Committee became a central hub of up-to-date information around the Summit. As such UNED-UK became recognised as a critical ally of the Summit process by the UK and other governments as well as stakeholders and UN Agencies.

Led by Georgina Ayre, Joanna Phillips, Anna Birney, Catherine Budgett-Meakin and John Gordon attended the WSSD. Although not quantifiable, it is generally recognised that without the work of UNED-UK Committee a number of stakeholders would have been left silent in the process, and issues



such as local governance, biodiversity, education and reproductive rights would not have been as predominant in the outcomes of the Summit. For this the team should be commended.

### **Beyond the World Summit on Sustainable Development**

The talk of Summit fatigue plagued discussions about post-Johannesburg work programmes for a number of organisations, and UNED-UK Committee was no exception. With the departure of Charles Nouhan, Georgina Ayre became UK Coordinator and therefore responsible, with the support of John Gordon and Derek Osborn, for guiding the UK Department into a new programme of work.

An immediate need was identified, in helping the UK Government as well as other stakeholders identify where areas of priority lay in terms of not only carrying forward the outcomes of the Summit, but other sustainable development issues in the UK.

On behalf of DEFRA, UNED-UK Committee, with support from the UK Sustainable Development Commission (SDC), facilitated an informal consultation exercise to gather early stakeholder view on 'Where Next for the UK on Sustainable Development?' taking into consideration, but not limited to, the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development. The consultation process was carried out in three parts:

- Written Consultation
- On-line forum discussion
- One day seminar

The aims and objectives of the exercise were to secure initial input from a broad range of UK stakeholders and gain, where possible, consensus views on:

- UK priorities for sustainable development taking into account the domestic follow-up action to WSSD; and
- The effectiveness and challenges of the current UK sustainable development strategy "a better quality of life"

The consultation concluded with the production of two reports, available at [www.sustainable-development.gov.uk](http://www.sustainable-development.gov.uk).

### **Population and Sustainability Report**

From the inception of this dialogue group in September 2001, the focus was on getting population issues/reproductive health into the Plan of Implementation at WSSD, and on building a bridge between the northern challenge of over consumption (ecological footprint) and the southern challenge of population growth.. The early indications were not encouraging – but by the end of PrepCom 3 in April 2002, the lobbying carried out by the group (along with energetic efforts by others) had succeeded. The final Plan gave some weight to reproductive health and rights (though the issue was one of the most fiercely fought over – running right up to the night before the end). Another activity of the group was to create an international network of those interested in the twin issues of ecological footprint and population growth/reproductive health.

Since then the dialogue group has continued to try to raise the profile of population/reproductive health/ecological footprint issues in an environment in which the importance of the issues are largely ignored and indeed denied. The group has attempted to create a neutral space for development agencies, environment agencies and reproductive agencies (and others) to come together to discuss key issues and search for common ground. A seminar was held in May 2003 which was very constructive – but failed to persuade some of the main NGOs to attend – symptomatic of the problem. We are now in the process of widening the scope of the group to include the economic implications of population growth and over consumption and their relationship to the MDGs, the eradication of poverty and sustainable development.

Continuing our work in preparation for Earth Summit 2002 we held further meetings of the government contact group which was enlarged and then we worked with the Chair of the CSD Simon Upton to ensure that the CSD in 1999 agreed that it would look at the possibility of a Summit in 2002 at its next session in 2000. UNED started its work on creating a web site for the Summit.

The Healthy Planet Forum around the WHO European Environment and Health Conference had over 1000 people attending the four day event with over 40 side events.

The organization continued its work on gender with two reports one on gender and consumption and the other on gender and tourism. Both of these fed into the CSD in 1999, which focused on these topic areas. UNED also facilitated the NGO involvement in the Dialogue sessions as well. Our Education Task Group which had been active since 1995 succeeded in helping UNESCO refocus their work on implementing Chapter 36 of Agenda 21. UNED elected to co-chair CSD Women's Caucus (1998-2000)

Our major conference was on Media and Sustainable Development with speakers including Rosie Boycott the Editor of the Daily Express. The Rt Hon Michael Meacher MP another of our speakers said:

*"I applaud UNED-UK for their initiative in contributing to that debate with this conference today."*

## UK Conferences and Seminars:

UNED-UK Committee remains to be reliable source of information and resources for UK stakeholders on issues pertinent to sustainable development in the UK and internationally. Over the past year, UNED-UK Committee hosted two successful conferences, which have enable representatives of civil society to become further engaged with issues and events around the World Summit, and National Governmental processes.

### *'Johannesburg and Back; Preparation and Implementation of Earth Summit 2002.'*

Supported and hosted by Birmingham City Council, the June conference brought together Ministers Northern Ireland Assembly, Scottish Executive, Welsh Assembly and the UK Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, and representatives from all stakeholder groups. During the day, speakers and participants were invited to consider both what had preceded and what was likely to follow Earth Summit 2002. The morning traced UK Preparations for Earth Summit 2002. The afternoon looked beyond Johannesburg, at the framework agreed for the implementation of Summit outcomes and at what this would mean for UK stakeholders.

The 300 participants to the event enjoyed discussions on the final preparatory meeting for the Summit in Indonesia. Workshops showcasing examples of current UK initiatives in the afternoon, and provided an opportunity to discuss how local and regional UK stakeholders might take part in implementing the Johannesburg plan of action. The concluding debate considered where responsibility lies for putting the Summit into action. The relative importance of Government commitment verses voluntary stakeholder initiatives has been highly contested internationally, within the UN system, and in the UK. Questions and comments on how the Summit can be most effectively implemented – and by whom – were put to a multi-stakeholder panel

### *From Johannesburg to a Sustainable Development Strategy for the UK'*

Following a period of consideration and intense consideration by many on the outcomes, achievements and shortcoming of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, the conference provided a unique opportunity to assess the implications of the Summit for the UK and discuss where responsibilities are best placed to ensure the implementation of commitments made. The event also provided a timely opportunity to discuss key challenges and opportunities for progressing sustainable development in the UK, in the context of the review of the national sustainable development strategy.

Participants enjoyed key note speeches from Adnan Amin (Director, UNEP, NY), Claus Sorensen (Head of Cabinet for the Commissioner of Development at the European Commission, Mr. Nielson), and Rt. Hon. Michael Meacher as well as from representatives of civil society.

The afternoon was dominated by working groups discussing priority issues for progressing sustainable development in the UK and the national sustainable development strategy. In the concluding debate representatives of different levels of government were invited to respond to the outcomes of the workshops and consider where responsibility lies in carrying forward the achievements of the Summit.

### *UK Government WSSD Briefing for UNED-UK Committee/DEG NGOs*

UNED-UK Committee hosted a half-day seminar sponsored by Defra, bringing together UK stakeholder and representatives of government, to enable a final briefing on the state of play of negotiations before leaving for Johannesburg. The Seminar provided one last opportunity for governments and representatives to convey their positions and expectations to one another. The day was over subscribed, and participants enjoyed an unexpected, but extremely valuable appearance by the Rt. Hon Michael Meacher. Not only did the event provide the opportunity for an open and interactive discussion, but also an opportunity for those attending the Summit to get to know one another, and to become familiar with the government delegation for Johannesburg.

### *Where Next for the UK on Sustainable Development*

In preparation for the World Summit on Sustainable Development, UNED-UK Committee in partnership with the UK Sustainable Development Commission (SDC) hosted a 24-hour seminar to address UK priorities for the WSSD. It was therefore appropriate for this relationship to be once again forged in addressing priority issues post-Johannesburg.

A one day seminar for UK stakeholder was hosted as the concluding part of a three month consultation 'Where Next for the UK on Sustainable Development' facilitated by UNED-UK Committee on behalf of Defra. and supported by the Sustainable Development Commission. (see UK consultation)

The Seminar was attended by 75 invitees, providing a balanced representation of all sectors of civil society. The day was used to enable interactive and more in depth discussion on the forthcoming review of the sustainable development strategy 'a better quality of life'. Professional facilitators took participants through plenary and work-shop sessions, with the aim of reporting back on the interim findings of the consultation, highlighting the forthcoming review of the sustainable development strategy and addressing the key outcomes of the Summit for the UK.

The primary objective of the day was to secure initial input from a variety of stakeholder groups and gain, where possible, consensus views on:

- UK priorities/key challenges for sustainable development taking into account domestic follow-up action to WSSD; and
- The effectiveness and challenges of the current UK sustainable development strategy 'a better quality of life'
- During the morning, work-shops were developed around priority issues for the UK, as identified by the stakeholders;
  1. Process of delivery
  2. Energy and Climate Change
  3. Environment, Social and Economic Justice
  4. Sustainable Production and Consumption

The afternoon saw the evolution of working groups addressing the review of the sustainable development strategy. Each group discussed four key issues;

1. Strengths and weaknesses of current strategy
2. Barriers to progress,
3. Opportunities presented by the review
4. Mechanisms for delivery

The day concluded with recommendations being made for the way forward, by both government officials and stakeholders.

### *Implementing the Energy White Paper*

With respect to the release of the Energy White Paper, UNED-UK Committee staged a round table discussion to bring ideas together on how Britain can more rapidly move forward into a post-fossil fuel economy and achieve more ambitious reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

The vision and ambition of the Energy White Paper were praised, but there was a call for a more explicit Mission Statement to be supported by publicity and greater buy-in. More specifically, there was a recognised need for operational transcripts providing specific guidance and targets to different groups and sectors, which should outline their roles and responsibilities in language they understand. There should also be clear linkages between the national, regional, local and community levels into a coherent whole designed to maximise delivery of the objectives of the White Paper. The next stage is to come up with mechanisms and processes for moving issues forward.

Preparations for the Summit gather pace. UNED-UK write to all the major stakeholder networks and invite them to join an International Advisory Board for UNED Forum (later to become Stakeholder Forum). Nearly all agree to and with funding from Poptel Worldwide and a number of governments we take on a team of three staff to work on the Summit. The Rockefeller Foundation host the first Board meeting where UNED identify clearly the role they will take which will be:

Information provision;  
Background issue briefings  
Multi-stakeholder Dialogues and stakeholder capacity building

Prior to the CSD UNED with Wilton Park held a conference with over 70 key global stakeholders including government and UN representatives. The outcomes were 'Discussion Elements for a CSD-8 Decision.'

*"I very much appreciate the initiative being taken by UNED which has provided considerable leadership for the 'Major groups' community over the past years of CSD deliberations."*

*Jeb Brugman  
Secretary  
General ICLEI*

UNED relaunches Network formally the monthly newsletter of the Centre for Our Common Future for Rio.

The CSD agrees to a new Summit in 2002 UNED promote the new Earth Summit at the Beijing and Copenhagen + 5 meetings. In preparation for Copenhagen + 5 UNED launch Poverty in Plenty the first Human

## UNEP's National Committee for the United Kingdom

*UNEP National Committees Annual Meeting, Geneva, November 2002*

As the National Committee for the United Nations Environment Programme in the UK, UNED-UK Committee regularly attends annual meetings of the UNEP European Regional National Committees (NC) in Geneva.

At this years meeting we briefed other National Committees on our activities around the WSSD. It was a useful opportunity to share resources and experience with other NC's. During this years discussions, UNED-UK played a key role in ensuring the revitalisation of the NC-list serve; a useful tool, moderated by UNEP, for enabling discussions between NC and UNEP on various issues. The list-serve has been used to promote the work of UNEP through the NC's and to try and encourage greater coordination between the committees.

### *Visit by Executive Director*

In May Dr Toepfer visited London and requested us to organize a meeting with the key UK NGOs. This meeting explored what they were doing to implement JPoI and what UNEP was also planning to do.

## UNDP Focal Point for the United Kingdom

Each year the United Nations Development Programme publishes a Human Development Report that examines global trends in key areas of human activity. The report includes a Human Development Index, which allows comparison between the performances of countries on a range of measure of human well being. Each HDR focuses in some detail on a particular theme. For example, the 1997 report addressed poverty, and in response to the UNED-UK Committee produced a Human Development Report for the UK, 'Poverty in Plenty', published in October 2000.

As the UNDP Human Development Report had a significant impact in the run-up to the Summit, so it does in moving forward on the Summit agreements and Millennium Development Goals. UNED-UK Committee and Stakeholder Forum have continued to inform UK stakeholders of the work of UNDP.

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2000-2001

UK preparations starts to build hosting a seminar in Kent for key stakeholders and the government it agrees priority issues to set up multi-stakeholder working groups on.

UNED starts work with its partner MAMA86 in Ukraine to prepare for Kiev 2003 which will be the next UNECE Environment for Europe Conference. Initially to build up stakeholders in the Ukraine.

The Norwegian Government asks UNED to organize the first ever Multi-stakeholder Dialogues with the Ad Hoc Environmental Ministers meeting in Bergen. The issues are water and energy and the stakeholders are NGOs, women, indigenous people, trade unions, local government and industry. UNED launch at the meeting their book Earth Summit 2002 - A New Deal

*"I find it particularly encouraging to see the growth of UNED from what was essentially a nationally based entity into a truly international force for environmental development."*

Gro Harlem Brundtland  
Director General  
WHO

The first workshop for the Summit is held in Togo in West Africa with NGOs from eight countries attending. The first global conference is co-chaired by UNED and the Centre for Science and Environment in Denmark. Rio+8 comes out with initial NGO positions on Poverty, Climate Change, Food Security, Freshwater and Forests.

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## Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended June 30th 2003

	2003 £	2002 £
<b>Income</b>		
Grants and donations	1,154,838	982,520
Other project income	37,295	23,119
Membership	13,246	10,195
Core publications	1,519	4,061
Core conference	14,102	10,930
Other income	4,425	3,694
Interest received	130	-
	<u>1,225,555</u>	<u>1,034,519</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Staff costs	424,675	311,171
Other project costs	919,423	774,395
Travel and subsistence	17,998	12,804
Office costs	79,341	67,067
Publications	396	2,876
Conferences	7,356	1,924
Other costs	38,247	35,544
Core costs recharged to projects	(219,881)	(176,199)
	<u>1,267,555</u>	<u>1,029,582</u>
<b>Surplus for the Year</b>	(42,000)	4,937
General Reserve brought forward	<u>14,248</u>	<u>9,311</u>
General Reserve carried forward	(27,752)	14,248

## Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2003

	2003 £	2003 £	2002 £	2002 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Tangible assets		9,581		11,937
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Debtors	284,027		151,797	
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>2,543</u>		<u>46,672</u>	
	286,570		198,469	
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	<u>321,626</u>		<u>191,604</u>	
<b>Net Current (Liabilities)/Assets</b>		<u>(35,056)</u>		<u>6,865</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		(25,475)		18,802
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>		<u>(2,277)</u>		<u>(4,554)</u>
		(27,752)		14,248
<b>Reserves</b>				
UNED Reserve		(27,752)		14,248

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**Grants Received**

	£
Commonwealth Secretariat	5,000
CRPM	27,135
Department for International Development	11,800
Department for Environment, Food & Rural affairs	67,123
European Commission	21,962
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	10,905
Government of Belgium	31,250
Government of Canada	25,752
Government of Catalonia	14,175
Government of Germany	30,430
Government of Finland	9,543
Government of Netherlands	75,668
ICUN	15,396
IHOBE	22,031
The Maurice Laing Foundation	100,000
National Lottery	90,526
Other grants and donations	80,381
Rockefeller Foundation	64,025
UNA Trust	4,151
UNEP	25,022
UNF	154,159
US AID	174,589
Welsh Assembly	22,514
World Health Organisation	14,030
<b>Total grants received</b>	<b>1,097,567</b>
Decrease in income deferred to the next year	57,271
	<b>1,154,838</b>

All grants received for specific projects have been applied strictly in accordance with funding terms and conditions.

