



# Annual Report 1999–2000



**UNED Forum**



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**An international multi-stakeholder forum for sustainable development**

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is an international multi-stakeholder organization, committed to the promotion of global sustainable development. Based in London, England, UNED's activities support the work of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD).

This commitment to global sustainable development is best expressed in Agenda 21 and the Rio Declaration, both agreed to at the UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), or more commonly known as the Earth Summit, which took place in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 3 to 14 June 1992.

Established in 1993 as an outgrowth of the Sustainable Development Unit of the United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UNA-UK), UNED Forum has grown from a UK organization to an international multi-stakeholder forum. Directed by and accountable to a democratically elected Executive Committee of UK stakeholders, UNED's newest project – 'Towards Earth Summit 2002' – is guided by an international advisory board reflecting the stakeholder groups outlined in Agenda 21.

The United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland provides the secretariat for UNED Forum.

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# Introduction by the Chair



2000 has been another year of wide-ranging activity for UNED Forum. Increasingly, our efforts have been centred on the preparations for Earth Summit 2002 to be held in South Africa, ten years after the Rio Earth Summit. We have also played a significant part in relation to several other international processes, including the London launch of UNEP's Global Environment Outlook Report (GEO 2000), the 2nd World Water Forum in The Hague, a joint conference on Rio +10 at Wilton Park, and facilitating the involvement of NGOs in the first ever meeting with the ad hoc Environment Ministers meeting in Ghana. In each case we helped to draw in well-balanced groups of stakeholders from around the world and to ensure that their views and contributions were properly taken into account.

The most significant development for UNED itself during the year has been the consolidation and recognition of our international role. A few years ago UNED-UK was an exclusively UK-stakeholder body, drawing together the different major sectors to relate to the UK Government and international bodies on the international sustainable development agenda. However, over recent years we have found ourselves called on to play an increasingly larger role, facilitating the engagement of international stakeholder groupings directly into the international process. This evolution was partly in response to fill a vacuum; there was not previously any international multi-stakeholder grouping – focused on sustainable development issues – to fill this role. The work that UNED-UK did in this way was widely appreciated, but it obviously began to raise questions of legitimacy and balance as the role developed.

UNED therefore decided two years ago to seek to broaden its base so as to be able to play this emerging international role more effectively and legitimately. At our AGM on 7 March 2000, it was agreed that we would change our name to UNED Forum, though retaining the name UNED-UK for our UK outreach work, and that we should create a strong and well-balanced international Advisory Board to guide the international work. There is more about the work of this Board later in this report.

Felix Dodds became UNED Director and international team co-ordinator, and has been indefatigably travelling the globe advancing the international agenda and securing international support for our work. Charles Nouhan joined us as Deputy Director and UK co-ordinator, and has become the indispensable anchorman for our UK work. Internationally UNED Forum is now poised to become a key facilitating body for multi-stakeholder engagement with the international process. We hope to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with UNEP and other UN bodies to enable us to work together on preparations for the Summit in 2002.

Within the UK we have had a busy year strengthening our local partnerships and helping to consolidate UK ideas about the objectives and possible outcomes for the 2002 process. Our Executive Committee was particularly helpful in establishing wider linkages. It is crucial that there should be high-level political leadership of the process, and we were glad to have been able to play a part in securing the Prime Minister's public commitment to attend the 2002 summit in person. We are also working with the new UK Sustainable Development Commission and Government Departments to organise an autumn seminar to help focus attention in the UK on opportunities and objectives for the Summit.

As we look forward, some of the key themes for the 2002 event are beginning to emerge – a strong focus on development and poverty reduction, and efforts to make progress on some of the most pressing environmental issues, including climate change and water. UNED encourages a strong emphasis on implementation and practical programmes. We also strongly urge that the Summit should not just focus on Governments and what they can do, but also on the role of local government, business and industry, NGOs and other actors, and the parts they can play in the transition to sustainability.

There is growing interest around the world in the 2002 process, and an increasing determination to break through the roadblocks and secure major advances. UNED is well placed to help major groups in the UK and around the world to play their full part in the process, and the follow up.

**Derek Osborn**  
*Chair, UNED Forum*

# Director's Comments



UNED Forum has had a noteworthy year, as it evolved to face the challenge of the upcoming Earth Summit 2002 and focused itself to become an international multi-stakeholder forum for the 21st century. This re-orientation has been based upon four core areas of work, multi-stakeholder networking and partnerships, providing information, research and policy development, and capacity building and training.

With the launch of UNED's international work-programme '*Towards Earth Summit 2002*' made possible through funding by Poptel Worldwide, one of the UK's leading internet service providers, UNED has assembled an International Advisory Board that includes UNED Chair Derek Osborn, and Vice Chairs

Margaret Brusasco-Mackenzie and Malcolm Harper. In order to occupy this international role effectively, UNED-UK has evolved into UNED Forum. Our name change was formalised on 7 March 2000, when it was approved at the UNED Annual General Meeting.

I would like to emphasize that although the organization's global reach continues to grow, at home UNED-UK will continue as a project of UNED Forum, responsible for all UK activities, especially UK preparations for Earth Summit 2002, and linked to our international work. This year has seen UNED develop the first developed-country Human Development Report on Poverty, and we hope to follow this up with similar reports on other topics in the future. UNED was also a leader in UK preparations for the review of the World Summit on Social Development. Our WSSD+5 project facilitated the involvement of all stakeholders in the Copenhagen process, and added to UNED's web-based portfolio.

Our international work continues in Eastern Europe, in particular the Ukraine, and we completed our first African capacity-building workshop in Kajiado, Kenya. Over the course of the next year, we hope to be able to conduct additional capacity building workshops to prepare an ever-expanding network of stakeholders for Earth Summit 2002.

Our role as a provider of information has also grown considerably over the last year, and that role has become more recognised in the UK and globally. UNED now produces three newsletters, *Connections*, the online *Network 2002*, and '*Outreach*' with our partner the Norwegian Forum for Environment and Development. In April 2000 we launched a new website, [www.earthsummit2002.org](http://www.earthsummit2002.org), which we believe will become the hub of information on Earth Summit 2002. Our new primary website is [www.unedforum.org](http://www.unedforum.org), home to reports, newsletters and UNED news. It continues to grow and improve, and we expect during the course of next year to increase our links to an expanding network of partner organizations.

**Felix Dodds**

*Director, UNED Forum*

*Co-Chair, CSD NGO Steering Committee*



# UNED's Strategic Direction – An Overview

## 'Towards Earth Summit 2002', the 10-year Review of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) – the Earth Summit

Alongside Ambassador Amorim of Brazil, UNED Forum Chair Derek Osborn co-chaired the first preparatory meeting for the initial review of Agenda 21 and UNCED. The event, Rio+5, took place in 1997 but was considered by many to have fallen short of its potential due to late-starting global preparatory processes. This taught stakeholders a hard lesson, and highlighted the need for early preparations for the ten-year review scheduled for 2002.

UNED has actively contributed to this thinking, and during the past year has hosted or facilitated side-events at the annual meetings of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD), the United Nations Environment Programme Governing Council, and a high-level international conference in March 2000 at the UK's Wilton Park. We have also produced a series of documents, commonly known as 'non-papers,' exploring what the Summit in 2002 might address.

To this end, in April 2000 UNED launched the *Earth Summit 2002* web site, [www.earthsummit2002.org](http://www.earthsummit2002.org), to fulfil one of the organizations key objectives: to provide a wide range of information resources to the largest possible audience. This site includes:

- **Network 2002** – a monthly on-line newsletter to keep a global audience informed about *Earth Summit 2002* developments.
- **Roadmap to 2002** – a virtual 'map,' with expert comments from stakeholder and government representatives, that assesses key issues that the Summit might address and helps to explore how these issues have developed since 1992.
- **Background Briefing Papers**, a series of unique issue-specific overviews.
- **Links** – to all the key players in the *Earth Summit 2002* preparatory process.



[www.earthsummit2002.org](http://www.earthsummit2002.org)

## Multi-Stakeholder Dialogues

The endorsement of Agenda 21\* ushered in a new era where a different governance structure for addressing problems and implementing solutions was identified. Agenda 21 was the first global agreement to identify specific tasks and goals for nine distinct stakeholder groups.\*\* It heralded a change in the balance of decision-making processes from a practical problem solving paradigm, to a system paradigm which means that stakeholders are becoming more and more involved in the decision-making process.

UNED was established in 1993 to reflect the ideas in Agenda 21, and in particular to create space for the different stakeholders in the UK to work together. This work has developed into two unique processes at two different levels: domestically within the UK into multi-stakeholder roundtables, and internationally into multi-stakeholder dialogues.

UNED brought the concept of multi-stakeholder dialogues to the CSD from the process developed for the Habitat II Conference in Istanbul, 1996. In use for the past three years, these dialogues have illustrated the importance of creating space where the different stakeholder groups can put forward their views. In the past, these views were peer reviewed within individual stakeholder groups, then dialogued between groups and government representatives before Governments actually discussed the issue. Over the past three years the CSD has hosted a succession of multi-stakeholder dialogue sessions between business and industry, trade unions, local governments, the NGO community, and Governments on a wide range of issues. Each of these sessions has resulted in ongoing processes involving multiple stakeholder groups.

Based on this successful model, this past March UNED, in conjunction with the Dutch Government, coordinated NGO activities around the Second World Water Forum in The Hague. In September 2000 we will facilitate a multi-stakeholder dialogue with Environment Ministers in Bergen, Norway. Moreover, there are likely to be multi-stakeholder dialogues during the preparatory process for *Earth Summit 2002*, and perhaps one key to the success of the Summit will be the development of new multi-stakeholder partnerships for the further implementation of Agenda 21 and any new *Earth Summit 2002* agreements. UNED plans to facilitate a series of multi-stakeholder dialogues in the UK and globally as part of the 2002 preparatory process.

\* **Agenda 21** is a comprehensive plan of action to be taken globally, nationally and locally by organizations of the United Nations System, Governments, and Major Groups in every area in which humans impact on the environment. Agenda 21, the *Rio Declaration on Environment and Development*, was adopted by more than 178 Governments at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) – the Earth Summit – held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 3 to 14 June 1992.

\*\* **The nine stakeholder groups** identified by Agenda 21 were: Women, youth, indigenous people, NGOs, local authorities, workers and trade unions, business and industry, the scientific and technology communities, and farmers.

# Providing Information to a Wide Range of Stakeholders

## Using the Internet to Demystify the UN Summit Processes



[www.unedforum.org](http://www.unedforum.org)

In addition to the *Earth Summit 2002* website, the Forum's home page, [www.unedforum.org](http://www.unedforum.org), is the hub for all of UNED's web-based activities, and where UNED reports and newsletters can be found. Links to UNED Forum news, research activities, current projects, conferences and much more can easily be found.

One of UNED's key web-based activities is to support United Nations Summit and conference processes. This year's work included:

### Beijing+5 – Women: Equality, Development & Peace:

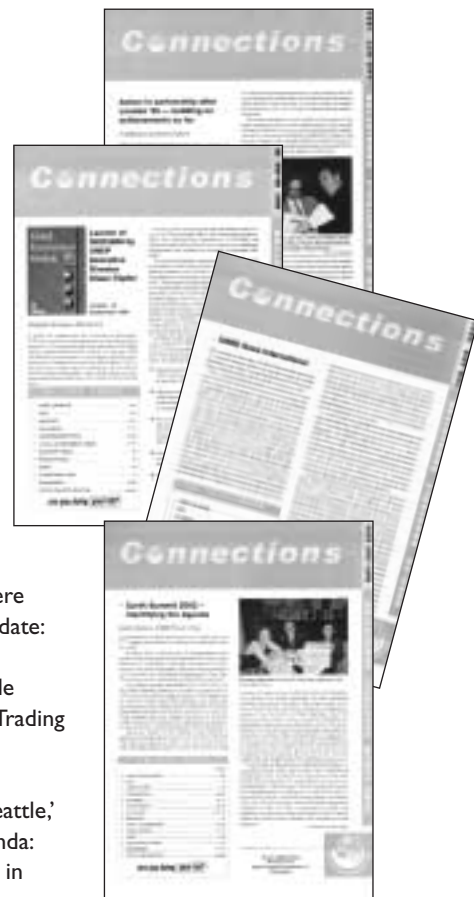
The Stakeholder Toolkit for Women, [www.earthsummit2002.org/toolkits/women/index.htm](http://www.earthsummit2002.org/toolkits/women/index.htm), provides all relevant documentation since UNCED, including NGO information. The site has been designed to make access to information quick and easy. UNED also manages the CSD NGO Steering Committee Women's Caucus web site at [www.csdngo.org/csdngo](http://www.csdngo.org/csdngo).

**Copenhagen+5 – Social Development:** For the five-year review of the World Summit on Social Development process, UNED produced a one-stop easy access web-based resource for all stakeholders, [www.earthsummit2002.org/wssd](http://www.earthsummit2002.org/wssd). The site offers all relevant documents from the UN bodies working on social development, as well as position papers and background material by most stakeholder groups involved in the process. The site offers directories of links to organisations working on specific issues of WSSD+5, by issue and by stakeholder group. Akin to other UNED web-based projects, this site provides quick document downloads, including compilations of international agreements on relevant issues.

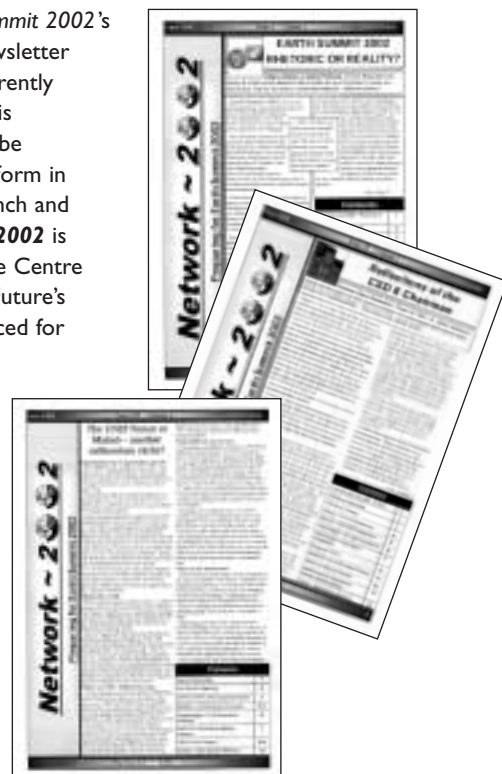
## Publications

### Periodicals

- For the UK UNED produces the quarterly magazine **Connections**, which keeps UK stakeholders abreast of sustainable development news and stakeholder activities in the UK and at the United Nations. Each edition has a pullout supplement on key issues of the time; those found this year were 'The Elusive Seattle Mandate: What will Members Negotiate?,' 'WTO Seattle Ministerial Conference: Trading Opinions,' 'WTO Seattle Ministerial Conference: Summary of Events in Seattle,' and 'Gender on the Agenda: A Guide to Participating in Beijing +5.'



- *Towards Earth Summit 2002's* monthly on-line newsletter **Network 2002**, currently circulated by email, is envisioned to soon be available in printed form in Arabic, Spanish, French and Russian. **Network 2002** is the successor to the Centre for Our Common Future's 'Network 92,' produced for the Earth Summit in 1992. This unique electronic newsletter will keep a global audience abreast of international and regional preparations for 2002, and link together other UN conference and summit processes.



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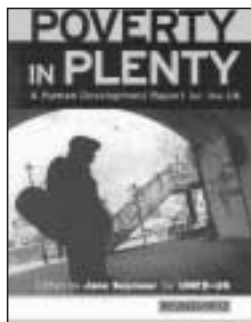
produced in partnership with the Norwegian Forum on Sustainable Development, is published daily at key UN events such as the annual session of the Commission on Sustainable Development. Originally launched in 1997 for the five-year review of Agenda 21, **Outreach** recently published its 100th issue.

## Books

In conjunction with the publishing house *EarthScan*, UNED has produced a series of books that focus on the international sustainable development process. ***The Way Forward: Beyond Agenda 21***, published in 1997, reviewed developments in key areas since the Earth Summit. After the five-year review of Agenda 21, UNED published an overview of its outcomes in ***Earth Summit II – Outcomes and Analysis***.

To coincide with the United Nations Millennium General Assembly scheduled for September 2000, UNED will publish ***Earth Summit 2002 – A New Deal***, edited by UNED Forum director Felix Dodds. This timely book will have analysis by such experts as United Nations Under Secretary General Nitin Desai, Ghana's Minister Avoka, Gro Harlem Brundtland of the World Health Organization, Margaret Brusasco-Mackenzie, Vice Chair UNED Forum, and other leading stakeholder representatives.

In October 2000, UNED will launch the first developed-country Human Development Report, entitled ***Poverty in Plenty: a Human Development Report for the UK***.



## Research and Policy Development Papers

This year saw UNED produce a series of peer-reviewed materials in a number of policy areas, including:

**Tourism:** *'Gender & Tourism – Women's Employment and Participation in Tourism'* and *'A Review of Voluntary Codes of Practice for Sustainable Tourism.'*

**Production and Consumption:** *'Gender and Sustainable Consumption – Bridging the Policy Gaps.'*

**Bio-prospecting:** *'Bio-prospecting and Benefit Sharing'*, based on a multi-stakeholder workshop produced jointly with Novartis International AG, followed up with *'Access and Benefit Sharing: Relevant International Agreements and Issues for Dialogue Between Stakeholders.'*

**Women:** *'Gender and Humanity – Into the 21st Century,'* *'Gender Sensitive Indicators,'* and *'A UK Review of Section K of the Beijing Platform for Action.'*

In the UK, UNED has produced multi-stakeholder reports for the CSD on oceans and seas, agriculture, health, poverty, freshwater, and education, all of which were based on round table consultation processes. For CSD-9, the ninth session of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development, UNED plans to conduct round table consultation processes on energy and transport.

## Capacity Building and Training Programmes

In the UK and abroad, UNED organizes training and capacity building to enable stakeholders to take an active part in United Nations processes. These activities commonly form part of stakeholder preparations for specific meetings and conferences, and often involve meetings with the UK Government.

### Eco-telephone

UNED, in partnership with MAMA-86 a women-led Ukrainian environmental organisation, continues to co-ordinate a project to establish public information services on health and environment issues in towns and cities throughout Ukraine. As the project comes to the end of its second year, members of the MAMA-86 national network have ten services in place. The services provide information to individuals – especially mothers and young people – on the state of the environment, and on practical issues such as diet and how to ensure that drinking water is clean. The project uses a telephone helpline, outreach to schools and colleges, clinics, and the media to raise awareness.

During its first year of operation, it is estimated that the services have reached over six and a half million people, with over four thousand receiving individual consultations. As the original funding period for the initiative ends, UNED is helping MAMA-86 to develop new partnerships to expand the services and ensure the sustainability of the project. Over the next two years, similar capacity building work will focus on generating effective stakeholder participation in preparations for Earth Summit 2002, and for the Summit as well.

### Kenya workshop

UNED Forum worked in partnership with Groots Kenya, a grassroots women's network in Kenya, to organise a workshop on gender & sustainable development in December 1999. This was part of our 'Stakeholder Toolkit For Women Project' ([www.earthsummit2002.org/toolkits/women/index.htm](http://www.earthsummit2002.org/toolkits/women/index.htm)). The 3-day workshop in Kajiado, Maasai-land, was attended by over 70 women from all over Kenya, and representatives from Uganda, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe. Based on the Stakeholder Toolkit For Women website, information material on relevant international agreements and processes was developed and used for discussions. Presentations addressed experiences with grassroots women's activities in the different countries and regions, the Beijing+5 process, Earth Summit 2002, and issues such as land rights, HIV/AIDS, sustainable agriculture, education, and capacity building for development and income generation. The workshop concluded agreeing an action plan for activities in Kenya and networking in the region (brief report at [www.unedforum.org/publi/kajiado/kajiadoreport.htm](http://www.unedforum.org/publi/kajiado/kajiadoreport.htm)).



# UNED Forum Towards Earth Summit 2002 Activities

The past year has been an important time to raise the profile of Earth Summit 2002 with organizations and Governments. A number of significant meetings were held to advance the preparations for a debate on Earth Summit 2002 at CSD-8 in April 2000.

## Ghana Informal Environment Ministers Meeting

In August, Ghanaian Environment Minister Cletus Avoka visited UNED to explore UNED's role in the preparations of the Environment Ministers meeting on Earth summit 2002. As a result, UNED worked with Ghanaian NGOs to prepare for what would become the first meeting of international NGOs within the informal environmental ministers meetings. Such meetings have taken place annually since 1992. The result was a commitment both from developed and developing countries for there to be a focus on poverty and environment at the Summit in 2002.

## GEO 2000

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) launched its *Global Environment Outlook Report 2000 (GEO 2000)* in September 1999, with a distinct Earth Summit 2002 overlay. To promote the report and the upcoming Summit, UNED facilitated a half-day workshop with UNEP. In addition, UNEP announced that the GEO 2002 Report would come out at the beginning of 2002, enabling data on the state of the world's environment to be available to all before the second Summit preparatory meeting.

## World Business Council for Sustainable Development

The WBCSD met in Rio in September to address the role they might take in preparing for the Summit. Led by Director Clause Fussler, who had just joined WBCSD from the Dow Chemical Company, they agreed to a trade and investment focus for their preparations.

## International Chamber of Commerce

The ICC met in Paris in October, and agreed to prioritise the Summit, and at a meeting later in the year highlighted poverty alleviation as a focus for their member organisations.

## International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives

ICELI met in South Korea in October, and one of the key items on its agenda was Earth Summit 2002. They and the International Union of Local Authorities have a conference in June 2001, in Rio, which will have a significant focus on Summit preparations.

## Women's Caucus

With funding from The UK Government Department for International Development, the Women's Caucus, through UNED, produced *Women and Sustainable Development 2000-2002 – Recommendations in Agenda 21 and Related Documents and Suggestions for a Review of Implementation*, a paper presented at the CSD-8 Intersessional in February 2000.

## Non-Governmental Organisations

Preparations within the NGO community have been diverse. UNED, in cooperation with the CSD NGO Steering Committee, produced a revised version of a 'Non Paper' that has been drafted over a period of two years. The document gave many NGOs the foundation to begin national dialogues on Earth Summit 2002.

## European Union

In February the European Union, in order to inform their preparations for the CSD-8 discussion on Earth Summit 2002, held a consultation with the United Nations, Governments and multi-stakeholder representatives.

## UNED Forum International Advisory Board Meeting



UNED Forum's 'Towards Earth Summit 2002' Project convened the inaugural meeting of its International Advisory Board during CSD-8. Through the generous support of the Rockefeller Foundation, board members from around the world representing all stakeholders met to discuss how the project could best work to prepare for Rio +10 in 2002.

This new Board will guide the 'Towards Earth Summit 2002' project as it endeavours to aid international major groups mobilise for Earth Summit 2002. Many organisations with long and distinguished records in sustainable development work are represented. In addition, Chip Lindner and Ashok Khosla, the former Director and Chair of the Centre for Our Common Future, the organisation that spearheaded major groups' activity around Rio, will contribute their considerable knowledge to the board.

Chaired by Derek Osborn, the first meeting was essentially a time for introduction and brainstorming, and for UNED Forum to present initial plans and information resources to the members. In return, the Board offered guidance to enhance outreach and multi-stakeholder participation in the Summit process.





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**Felix Dodds**

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**Beth Hiblin**

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Co-ordinator

**Toby Middleton**

International Policy Co-ordinator

**Rosalie Gardiner**

## Wilton Park Conference, 27th–30th March 2000

More than 70 representatives from wide-ranging backgrounds, including Governments, Inter-governmental Agencies and other stakeholders met at Wiston House in Sussex, England, to attend the 598th Wilton Park Conference, organized jointly with UNED Forum. The Conference was opened by the Rt Hon Michael Meacher UK Minister for the Environment, and Mr. Cletus Avoka, Ghanaian Minister for the Environment. Also speaking was UN Under Secretary General Nitin Desai. UNEP was represented by European Regional Director Fritz Schlingemann, on behalf of Executive Director Dr Klaus Töpfer, absent due to illness.

The main output of this key event, 'Discussion Elements for a CSD–8 Decision on 2002', was drafted by UNED Forum, with input and amendments by many participants. UNED published the report in early April, and distributed it widely prior to and during the CSD–8 Earth Summit 2002 discussion.

*"Let me begin by thanking the organisers – UNED-UK – for their initiative in organising this conference. The most meaningful and crucial aspect of your work, more than the advocacy and espousal of the causes of UNEP and its sister agencies, is your vigorous involvement in the promotion and implementation of Agenda 21. The manner in which you have chosen to do so is exemplary. You have successfully articulated the vision of societies built around peoples' needs and the NGOs like you being the instrument of change."*

**Fritz Schlingemann**  
Director, UNEP Regional Office for Europe

## Towards Earth Summit 2002 CSD–8 Side Event



On April 26, UNED Forum's 'Towards Earth Summit 2002' project was launched at a CSD–8 side event. Along with UNED Chair Derek Osborn and Director Felix Dodds, speakers included UN Under Secretary General Nitin Desai, South African Deputy Minister for Environment and Tourism Rejoice Mabudafasi, Ghanaian Director of the Environment Edwin Barnes, Geoffrey Lipman of Green Globe, Jocelyn Dow of WEDO, Bjorn Stigson of WBCSD, Jeb Brugman of ICLEI, and Gaby Kagen from Internet provider Poptel Worldwide.

The event closed with an audio-visual presentation on UNED's Earth Summit 2002 web site by International Communications Co-ordinator Toby Middleton. The Ministerial debate on Earth Summit 2002 followed immediately thereafter.

## Access and Benefit-Sharing – CSD–8 Side Event

UNED Forum, in partnership with Novartis International AG, held a panel discussion on 'Access and Benefit-Sharing: Building Equitable Partnerships Between Local Communities and International Corporations?' Chaired by UNED Forum Vice-Chair Margaret Brusasco-Mackenzie, the event featured speakers from Governments, NGOs, Indigenous Peoples and Industry. Presentations and discussion addressed questions of how to develop equitable partnerships in relation to bio-prospecting agreements, given the large power gaps between stakeholders, and differences in information and capacities.

A background paper published for the event, 'Access and Benefit-Sharing: Relevant International Agreements and Issues For Dialogue Between Stakeholders', gives an overview of international agreements pertaining to access and benefit-sharing, including those on workers and indigenous peoples rights, suggested issues for dialogue between stakeholders, and suggested indicators for fair and equitable benefit-sharing. The paper and a report from the event are available at [www.unedforum.org/publi/abs/abs.htm](http://www.unedforum.org/publi/abs/abs.htm).

## Other Activities

UNED has been active in facilitating conferences for the UN and for a number of national governments. This work has included the four-day 'Healthy Planet Forum', focusing on the World Health Organization's European Health and Environment Conference in 1999. UNED is now working with the German Government to prepare an expert workshop on women and environment issues, scheduled for January 2001, and will co-ordinate NGO participation at the International Conference on Freshwater in Bonn in late 2001.

We continue to be active in global governance issues. In 1994 UNED was a key organization involved in drafting the CSD NGO Steering Committee Guidelines – recognized by many as the most advanced NGO governance structure around any UN process. UNED staff and partners are active members of the Steering Committee Caucuses, and actively facilitate linkages with NGO activities around other UN processes. We also helped to set up the NGO International Facilitating Committee around the Habitat II Conference, and the multi-stakeholder committee for the World Health Organization's Health and Environment Conference.

In addition to the CSD NGO Steering Committee, UNED has also played a lead role in a number of international and regional NGO networks; the European Sustainable Development Network (ESDN), an informal network of NGOs that meets annually and at international events to co-ordinate efforts around the global sustainable development agenda, was part founded by UNED. As the National Committee for the United Nations Environment Program in the UK, UNED acts as a domestic focal point, promoting the role of UNEP as global environmental custodian. UNED also participates in annual meetings of UNEP's National Committees and has played a lead role in formalizing and advancing the role of National Committees and civil society in UNEP's work.

UNED Forum is working to set up partnership agreements with different organizations in Eastern Europe, Africa, Middle East and Latin America to enable the material it produces to be brought out in different languages and to input material from those continents.

## Second World Water Forum and Ministerial Conference

For six days in March, the Government of the Netherlands hosted what would become the world's largest international conference on freshwater policy. Held in The Hague, as many as five thousand people attended the event. A daily regional focus was interlaced with a series of complex water-use presentations, and major groups sessions on water and ethics, water and conflict, dams, and mega-cities were well attended by a wide range of stakeholders.

During the Forum, the Dutch Government hosted a two-day ministerial conference, which aimed to mobilise political support for water security in the 21st century. UNED Forum co-ordinated the NGO activities, and a day of multi-stakeholder panel debates and workshops on integrated water resource management, water as an economic and social good, water and agriculture, hazards, governance and participation, and water as a basic need.

*"On behalf of the World Water Council, we would like to convey our gratitude to you personally and to your collaborators individually and collectively as one team working towards one objective: raising awareness on the world water issues."*

**Mahmoud Abu Zeid, President, World Water Council,  
Minister of Water Resources & Irrigation,  
Arab Republic of Egypt**

## CSD-8 – April 2000



The first formal discussion on Earth Summit 2002 took place during the first week of the CSD when Ministers discussed the issue for three hours, in what was a productive discussion with creative ideas flowing, and participation from stakeholders adding to the debate and to the Chair's summary. This helped frame the negotiations that occurred during the second week and a decision on Earth Summit 2002 encompassed some of the key outcomes from the many preparatory meetings that occurred in the past year.

One very important aspect of the agreement is the recognition of the need to involve stakeholders in the preparatory process at the national, regional and international levels. Although the CSD did not agree what the main issues for Earth Summit 2002 should be, the decision states that the issues should emerge from national and regional preparatory processes.

In addition, three countries offered to host the Summit in 2002, Brazil, the Republic of Korea, and South Africa. Since the CSD Brazil has withdrawn its bid, in support of South

Africa, and Indonesia has announced their bid. It is expected that Group of 77 and China (the G77) will come up with an agreed candidate by September to be endorsed by the UN General Assembly soon thereafter.

## Other CSD Issues

After a very successful CSD-7 in 1999 there were some expectations that this would be built on to ensure that CSD-8 would be a success. This unfortunately was not the case, as the agenda was full of controversial issues such as finance, land, and agriculture that are causing problems in other fora, such as the World Trade Organisation.

**The Finance Debate:** One significant development was a proposal put forward by the G77 for an Inter-Governmental Panel on Finance. This had originally been an NGO proposal from the five-year review, but had fallen because of some opposition within the G77. NGOs supported the G77 proposal but were not able to persuade developed countries to support it.

**The Agriculture Debate:** One of the key developments on agriculture was the agreement to the setting up of a multi-stakeholder group to advance discussion on the topic. Also, we saw for the first time a joint statement by NGOs, women, indigenous peoples, trade unions, farmers and industry, which suggested an ongoing multi-stakeholder process on sustainable agriculture between 2000 and 2002.

**The Women's Caucus:** The caucus actively promoted consideration of women's access to and ownership of land through a side event at the Intersessional meeting, with position papers and statements. The caucus collaborated with a broad alliance of networks around the Commission On The Status Of Women, the Huairou Commission and UNCHS staff to provide background information and recommendations on this issue of great gender inequity. During the last night of the CSD-8 session, a paragraph on gender equity was finally included. Sadly, the issues proved so difficult that it was a success to get sentences out of the Habitat agenda included.

The NGO CSD Steering Committee founded a new caucus on land issues, which included a representative from the Women's Caucus as one of the co-chairs.

In addition, the Women's Caucus and the Land Caucus are continuing their work on these issues with women's groups across the various processes, including the preparations for the Habitat review in 2001 and Earth Summit 2002.

**Outreach:** Originally set up by UNED-UK in 1996, *Outreach* is now produced jointly by the Norwegian Forum on Environment and Development and UNED, and distributed daily at the CSD Intersessional and Plenary. During this session of the CSD, *Outreach* published its 100th issue; it hopes to reach 200 by the time of the Summit in 2002.

*"The involvement of civil society and business will be crucial to the success of Rio+10. I also welcome the active work of UNED Forum, and their energy in working to make 2002 a success."*

**The Rt Hon Michael Meacher,  
UK Environment Minister**



# CSD NGO Steering Committee

Felix Dodds has been co-chair of the CSD NGO Steering Committee for 1999-2000 and was re-elected for a final term for 2000-2001. This year's CSD NGO Steering Committee Northern Clearing House work was more settled, despite a change of office. Support for the office from Under Secretary General Nitin Desai has enabled new Clearing House director Mita Sen to settle in with little disruption.

For CSD-8, the Northern Clearing House produced a revised booklet of steering committee rules, enabling greater transparency, an annual report for calendar year 1999 (representing a switch to its funders financial year), a diary of all the events at the CSD, a briefing document on how to work at the CSD, and provided computers and photocopying facilities to enable NGOs to work with greater effect. In addition, the Steering Committee web site was updated during 1999-2000 and for the first time it was able to offer key documents in Spanish, Russian, and French.

Additional Northern Clearing House work included outreach to Eastern European NGOs, facilitated by Eco-Accord in Russia. Outreach to developing countries was also increased, and Felix Dodds and Minu Hemmati were requested to attend and run sessions at a UNEP African NGO meeting in September. In addition efforts were made to include developing country members in the issue-based caucuses.

Another priority was to re-establish the NGO Forest Caucus, wherein the Steering Committee Co-Chairs took the positions as temporary co-facilitators of the caucus until half way through the Inter governmental Forum on Forests meeting, when elections could take place. This year also saw the replacement of the Finance Caucus co-ordinators by the Co-Chairs as they had not fulfilled their responsibilities. The Northern Co-Chair drafted the first drafts of the five NGO papers on finance, with help from Caucus members. During the CSD Intersessional, elections were held to bring in new caucus Co-facilitators.

This year also saw reforms of the NGO rulebook, to deal with in particular issue-based caucus co-ordinator responsibilities and the introduction of secret ballots for Steering Committee votes. In addition to Felix Dodds' re-election, Minu Hemmati was re-elected as Co-facilitator of the Women's Caucus, Trevor Harvey as Co-facilitator of the Education Caucus, and Michael Strauss as Media co-ordinator.

*"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 Brumann, Secretary General,  
The International Council for Local Environmental  
Initiatives (ICLEI)**



# UNED UK Activities

In addition to being the domestic arm of UNED Forum, UNED UK is the link between the organisation's UK and international programmes.

## Conferences

Three national conferences highlighted UNED UK's work this year. 'Seattle: A Challenge for Sustainable Development' was held on 18 November at Friends House, London. It was a well-attended opportunity for UK stakeholders to become engaged in the debate, and to quiz Government and major NGO officials about the soon to follow, ill fated, 30 November to 3 December Third World Trade Organisation Ministerial Conference in Seattle.

*Right: Margaret Brusasco-Mckenzie, UNED Forum Vice Chair*





Above: The Rt Hon Tony Colman, MP (right) chairs an experts workshop. Right: The Rt Hon George Foulkes (top) and the Rt Hon Michael Meacher (below) at UNED's 'Seattle: A Challenge for Sustainable Development' conference.

Principle speakers included the Rt Hon Michael Meacher, MP, Rt Hon George Foulkes, MP, Rt Hon John Gummer, MP and representatives from key stakeholders actively involved in the debate.

On 7 March, 'For Richer for Poorer: Developments Since the Social Summit' was held at the University of London Union. A key preparatory event for the 5-year review of the World Summit on Social Development, WSSD+5, the Rt Hon George Foulkes kicked off a series of debates addressing the ways in which to improve social policy and achieve human sustainable development. A panel of speakers included Stephen King, Director of the International Council for Social Welfare. A series of morning and afternoon workshops debated the UK's performance in education and training, employment, and financing sustainable human development as it compares to other developed countries.

In mid-June, 'Education for Sustainable Development,' a UNED Forum/South Bank University joint event, was attended by more than 150 stakeholders at the Abbey Conference Centre, South Bank University, London. Its aim was to show the links between international, national, and local work on education for sustainable development. The event provided updates on the progress of the subject from a UK policy perspective, and informed participants of the international perspective.

A common theme for the day was that a balanced education should foster the growth of three basic competencies – personal, social and environmental. Morning and afternoon breakout groups debated key issues relating to Earth Summit 2002, and the processes by which lobbying for education for sustainable development could be advanced in the UK, and globally.

## As UNEP's National Committee for the United Kingdom

*The Sixth Special Session of UNEP's Governing Council, Malmö, Sweden*



As the UK National Committee for UNEP, UNED was invited to participate at UNEP's Malmö Ministerial conference in May. Environment ministers gathered to reaffirm their commitment to the environment, and to commit their support

to UNEP. The agenda, broadly structured into four main areas, included environmental challenges for the 21st Century, the private sector and the environment, civil society and the environment, and the ten-year review of UNCED, Earth Summit 2002.

UNED promoted the role of multi-stakeholder participation within the future work of UNEP, placing special attention on Earth Summit 2002. UK and other NGO's met a day before the plenary to formulate the positions they planned to present at the opening ceremony. During the ministerial, UNED, in partnership with the Norwegian Forum for Environment & Development, produced Outreach, a daily newspaper reporting on the proceedings.

*"To provide leadership and encourage partnerships in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing, and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations."*

**UNEP's Mission Statement**

## As UNDP Focal Point

*'Poverty in Plenty – the UK Human Development Report'*



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 measures of human well being. Each HDR focuses in some detail on a particular theme; for example the 1997 report addressed poverty. UNED's Human Development Report for the UK, 'Poverty in Plenty,' will be published in October 2000 by Earthscan Books. Edited by Jane Seymour the 20-month project was managed by UNED's Tom Bigg.

The UNED Human Development Report Poverty in Plenty is intended to apply some of the thinking behind UNDP's work to the UK, with a focus on issues of poverty and inequality. This report includes input from people living in poverty as well as those who are analysing its causes and

seeking to rectify them. UNED's emphasis on sustainable development was also influential in shaping the report. Agenda 21 emphasises that sustainable development cannot be achieved if a significant proportion of the population is living in poverty, so particular emphasis was placed on the crossovers between work on sustainable development and anti-poverty programmes. The report also provides data on human development in the UK, assessing disparities between parliamentary constituencies, and comparing the UK to other countries. It also provides policy proposals to Government and other decision-makers.

UNED consulted with a wide range of individuals and organisations, many of which contributed material to the report. The UK Coalition Against Poverty, the Community Development Foundation, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, the New Economics Foundation, Oxfam, The Poverty Alliance, and the Townsend Centre for International Poverty Research in Bristol contributed to chapters of the book in various ways. In addition, local authorities and NGOs such as the Lower Ormeau Road Action Group and the Devonport Action against Poverty Group made valuable contributions.

UNDP recognises the value in a national human development report produced by a non-governmental organisation, especially one from an industrialised country, and has actively supported UNED's work on this initiative. Furthermore, there has been interest in initiating similar research in other countries.

An executive summary of 'Poverty in Plenty – the UK Human Development Report' was distributed at the five-year review of the World Summit for Social Development in June, and can also be found on the UNED Forum web-site.

## **World Summit on Social Development + 5 (WSSD+5)**

Though grants by the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UNED Forum created a portal to provide information to all stakeholders for the 5-Year Review of the World Summit for Social Development (WSSD+5). An interactive web-site, 'Copenhagen+5 – A Social Development Resource for all Stakeholders' (<http://www.earthsummit2002.org/wssd>), and the support of an international advisory board make it easier for people to get involved in the process of reviewing progress since 1995 and looking forward beyond 2000.

The site continues to make relevant material, from UN bodies and other stakeholders working on social development, easily available to anyone with a stake or interest in the process. In addition, the site is a link between the WSSD + 5 process and international agreements from other UN processes dealing with the same issues and includes compilations on common themes.

Prior to the WSSD+5 event, UNED produced a peer-reviewed paper entitled 'Tobin Tax for Social Development' (<http://www.earthsummit2002.org/wssd/wssd5/wssd5tobin.htm>) and circulated a questionnaire on concerns and priorities for and beyond WSSD+5 to NGOs and other stakeholders. A summary document, including an analysis of NGO position papers from preparatory meetings, can be found at <http://www.earthsummit2002.org/wssd/quest.htm>. UNED's role included facilitating meetings with the UK NGO community and representatives of the UK Government delegation before, and during, the 5-year review.

## **Building Partnerships and Networks Through Multi-Stakeholder Processes**

### *Women and Sustainable Development*

UNED's Women and Sustainable Development project, now in its third year, is funded in part by a 3-year Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions Environmental Action Fund grant, and this year with an additional grant by the Barrow Cadbury Trust. Originally known as *Gender 21*, the project has been focusing on the roles that women can play to achieving a more sustainable way of living in the UK.

Women and Sustainable Development works to enable key sectors, such as the education community, trade unions, business, and consumer groups to develop an understanding of the crucial role each can play in raising women's awareness of the relationship between social and environmental issues. Moreover, by raising the awareness of key decision makers, they are more likely to encourage the full participation of women in creating and maintaining sustainable communities.

### *Stakeholder Toolkit for Women*

The Stakeholder Toolkit for Women is a website designed to offer women all over the world a collection of tools to enable them to contribute to making United Nations Global Plans of Action a reality in every part of the globe. It provides the documents, links, and contacts to ongoing activities and future events in an easy to find and ready to use format. Examples of good practice, training material, networking opportunities, campaign information, and newsletters can also be found at the site. The information draws from UN Conferences, UN agencies and commissions, Intergovernmental Forums, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), other major groups and other stakeholders.

### *Thematic Round Tables*

UNED conducts Round Tables that are typically based on key themes at the annual United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development meeting. Agriculture, freshwater and health took centre stage this year. UNED also facilitates an ongoing Round Table on education for sustainable development.

## **Education**

The Education Task group had an active year. It collaborated with the Education Caucus to produce a letter to the new UNESCO Director General, requesting a meeting to discuss the failure to implement CSD agreements from 1996, 1998 and 1999.

At a meeting with UNESCO in Paris, attended by Felix Dodds and David Woollcombe of the Education Task Group and CSD Education Caucus, it was agreed that there should be an attempt to produce a management plan for implementing the CSD decisions. A draft was circulated on the NGO education caucus list server, but it was not however possible to find consensus on the plan with UNESCO, so ongoing discussions are defining the way forward.

On a positive note the Education Task Group, working closely with Oxfam and South Bank University, played a major role in organizing the June Education for Sustainable Development conference.



# UNED Forum Publications

## Books

- **Earth Summit 2002: A New Deal** £18.95  
edited by Felix Dodds. Earthscan (September 2000)
- **Poverty in Plenty: A Human Development Report for the UK** £13.95  
edited by Jane Seymour and Tom Bigg. Earthscan (September 2000)
- **Earth Summit II – Outcomes and Analysis** £17.55  
Tom Bigg and Derek Osborn. Earthscan/UNED-UK (April 1998)
- **The Way Forward – Beyond Agenda 21** £17.55  
Edited by Felix Dodds. Earthscan/UNED-UK (January 1997)

## Millennium Papers

- **Millennium Papers Issue 3: Women and Sustainable Development – from Local to International Issues** £3.50  
By Fiona Reynolds & Jane Esuantsiwa Goldsmith (July 1999)
- **Millennium Papers Issue 2: Local Agenda 21 into the New Millennium** £3.50  
By Gary Lawrence (September 1998)
- **Millennium Papers Issue 1: Towards Earth Summit III in 2002** £3.50  
By Derek Osborn (April 1998)

## Reports for the UN Commission on Sustainable Development

- **Perspectives on freshwater. Issues and recommendations of NGOs** £7.50  
Edited by Danielle Morley (April 2000)
- **Bio-prospecting and Benefit-Sharing** £7.50  
Report of an UNED-UK/Novartis International AG workshop (April 1999)
- **A Review of Codes of Practice for Sustainable Tourism** £5.00  
By Rosalie Gardiner (April 1999)
- **Gender and Tourism – Women's Employment and Participation in Tourism** £15.00  
Editor Minu Hemmati with the help of the Gender and Tourism Team (April 1999)
- **Sustainable Tourism and Poverty and Poverty Elimination** £2.50  
Edited by Rosalie Gardiner and Felix Dodds (April 1999)
- **Gender and Sustainable Consumption – Bridging the Policy Gaps** £10.00  
Shalini Grover with Minu Hemmati and Clare Flenley (April 1999)

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# Accounts

## Report of the Auditors

### United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Reports for the Summary Financial Statements – 30th June 2000

#### Statement by the Directors

The information given in the attached summary statements has been extracted from the full accounts of the Association which were approved by the Directors on 10th February 2001. Copies of the full statements may be obtained from the Association's offices.

*P Dyson, Deputy Director*

#### Auditors Report to the Directors of the United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

We have examined the attached financial statements.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements. We have agreed to report to you our opinion on the summarised statements' consistency with the full financial statements, on which we reported to you on 19th February 2001.

#### Basis of Opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to ascertain whether the summarised financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements from which they have been prepared.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the summarised financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements for the year ended 30th June 2000.

Kingston Smith  
Chartered Accountants  
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60 Goswell Road  
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Date: 19th February 2001

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EU TACIS	-252
European Union	30,240
Government of Austria	1,113
Government of Norway	13,961
Government of Switzerland	6,343
Government of The Netherlands	82,392
Government of Ukraine	2,238
Local Government International Bureau	1,281
National Lottery Charities Board UK	92,860
Novartis International AG	9,698
Polden Puckham Charitable Trust	5,000
Poptel World-wide Ltd	59,048
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The Ford Foundation	15,757
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UK Department for International Development	40,503
UK Department of Environment Transport, and the Regions	48,350
UK DETR Environmental Action Fund/Civic Trust	16,346
UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office	34,244
United Nations Environment Programme	9,786
	<b>510,524</b>



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# United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

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## Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th June 2000

	2000 £	1999 £
<b>Income</b>		
Members, regions and branches	144,301	139,399
Grants	750,211	942,466
Other project and departmental income	59,125	113,663
Other income	34,866	24,258
	<u>988,503</u>	<u>1,219,786</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Staff costs	476,226	424,379
Other project and departmental costs	422,640	727,845
Travel and subsistence	8,596	4,050
Office costs	39,834	26,558
Printing and publications	22,876	22,096
Other costs	33,030	18,229
	<u>1,003,202</u>	<u>1,223,157</u>
<b>Deficit for the Year</b>	(14,699)	(3,371)
Transfer from UNED Reserve	12,820	2,752
	<u>(1,879)</u>	<u>(619)</u>
Reserves brought forward	2,344	2,963
Reserves carried forward	<u>465</u>	<u>2,344</u>

## Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2000

	2000 £	1999 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Tangible assets	27,494	32,466
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Debtors	228,746	306,139
Cash at bank and in hand	3,674	4,631
	<u>232,420</u>	<u>310,770</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	<u>(249,328)</u>	<u>(312,951)</u>
<b>Net Current (Liabilities)</b>	<u>(16,908)</u>	<u>(2,181)</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>	10,586	30,285
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>(15,000)</u>
	<u>586</u>	<u>15,285</u>
<b>Reserves</b>		
General Reserve	465	2,344
UNED Reserve	121	12,941
	<u>586</u>	<u>15,285</u>

## Supplementary Information to the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th June 2000

### UNED Income and Expenditure

	2000 £	1999 £
<b>Income</b>		
Grants	497,494	720,436
Sponsorship	13,030	–
Membership	12,533	13,705
Publication	1,997	19,280
Conference	9,761	30,629
Other	5,613	19,065
	<u>540,428</u>	<u>803,115</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Direct project costs	320,600	509,184
Staff costs	158,951	125,335
Publications	14,293	18,912
Printing, postage and stationery	10,634	7,166
Telephone and fax	2,789	17,638
Travel	2,417	10,405
Conferences	9,304	31,859
Other	34,260	85,368
	<u>553,248</u>	<u>805,867</u>
<b>Deficit for the Year</b>	<u>(12,820)</u>	<u>(2,752)</u>



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