

United Nations Development Programme
Nordic Representation Office



INVITATION

The New Way of Working and the role of the UN System in protracted crisis
– a country perspective from UNRC/HCs in Yemen, Lebanon, Somalia, Sudan,
Ethiopia and Uganda

UN City, 14 March 2017 at 1:45-3:00 p.m.

Today, two billion people live in countries affected by fragility, conflicts and violence. 65 million people are displaced as a consequence; 95% live in developing countries and 2/3 are internally displaced. The humanitarian system is pushed beyond its limits, and without durable solutions these people remain vulnerable, inactive and denied development opportunities for years on end.

Consequently, effort is made to bring humanitarian and development partners together more effectively, and blend short-term humanitarian tools that respond to shocks and sudden critical developments, with longer-term development interventions that systematically tackle vulnerability and risks.

Six UN Resident Coordinators/Humanitarian Coordinators (see full list below) will participate in a high-level workshop on this issue in Copenhagen early next week. The event is organised by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UNDP, the World Bank and OCHA. We will capitalise on their presence in Copenhagen and have invited them to the UN City for a short briefing session on their role and challenges in the countries they serve, in operationalising The New Way of Working and follow-up on the World Humanitarian Summit last year.

The event is open to all UN City staff and interested external actors.

For external participants, please register in advance on: <http://nwow14march.eventbrite.com>

PROGRAMME:

- 1:30 p.m. Arrival and registration (remember photo ID)
- 2:00 p.m. Welcome by Camilla Brückner (CB), Director of UNDP Nordic Office
- 2:02 p.m. Introductory remarks by Martin Bille Hermann, State Secretary, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 2:05 p.m. Snapshot of country situation in Yemen, Lebanon, Somalia, Sudan, Ethiopia and Uganda highlighting challenges and opportunities in the New Way of Working by UN RC/HCs
- 2:35 p.m. Moderated discussion by CB / Q&A
- 3:00 p.m. Closing remarks

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Mr. Philippe Lazzarini, UN Deputy Special Coordinator, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for Lebanon

A full biography can be found [here](#)



Mr. Jamie McGoldrick, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of Yemen

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Ms. Marta Ruedas, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of the Sudan

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Ms. Ahunna Eziakonwa-Onochie, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for Ethiopia

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Ms. Rosa Malango, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of Uganda

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Mr. George Conway, UNDP Country Director for the Federal Republic of Somalia
Former Country Director in South Sudan following the declaration of independence in 2011, and Head of Programmes / Deputy Head of Office through Sudan's Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) period. He also served as UNDP Strategic Advisor on crisis prevention and recovery in the Africa region.