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Financing for Development High-Level Dialogue Civil Society Forum

13:00 – 18:00, 6 December, 2011

United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room C

Overview

The vision of financing for development endorsed at Monterrey almost 10 years ago is still a long way from becoming reality. At Monterrey, governments committed themselves to take the steps needed to create a fully inclusive and eq

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Moderator: John Langmore, **Academic Council of the UN System (ACUNS)**; former Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, UN-DESA (1997-2002); former UN Representative, International Labour Organization

Speakers:

Ambassador Anwarul Chowdhury, Senior Special Advisor to the President of the UN General Assembly; former UN-Under Secretary General for Least Developed Countries and Small Islands

Shari Spiegel, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, UN-DESA; on team producing DESA's "World Economic and Social Survey 2011"

Roberto Bissio, Coordinator, Social Watch

Amin Husain, Organizer, Facilitation Working Group, Occupy Wall Street; Lawyer; Current Participant, Whitney Independent Study Program

Mayra Moro Coco, Policy and Advocacy Manager, Association for Women's Rights in Development

4:30 6:00 p.m. CSO Forum Session 2 UNHQ, Conference Room C

"Innovative Financing for Development: Linking the Global and Local Agendas"

Taking into account the direct link between FfD and the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, specially the MDG's, this session will explore the state of mechanisms for innovative financing during an ongoing financial downturn, including financial & currency transactions taxes as a key element of progressive taxation, international tax cooperation and with a special focus to nurture development. The role to be played by the UN system and its implications in the issues of economic governance will also be explored.

Moderator: Manuel Manonelles, Director UBUNTU Forum

Speakers:

Jesse Drucker Reporter, Bloomberg Business Week; Expert in national and international tax evasion and avoidance

Peter Bakvis, Director, Washington Office, International Trade Union Confederation

James Parrott, Deputy Director and Chief Economist, Fiscal Policy Institute

Kelley Wolcott, NYC Public School Teacher; Organizer/Facilitator for Occupy Wall Street Labor Outreach Group

Representative, Leading Group on Innovative Finance; Government of France (TBD)

Or

Representative, National Nurses United (TBD)