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**16 June 2015**  
**Policy Forum on “Boko Haram: Insights, Lessons and Prospects”**

Organized by the United Nations University (UNU)

**Time:** 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office  
 (e-mail: [kinzli@unu.edu](mailto:kinzli@unu.edu); tel. (212) 963-6387)

**16 June 2015**  
**Briefing on “The Outcome of the G7 Summit in Germany with Regard to its Possible Contribution to the Post-2015 Development Agenda”**

Organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany

**Time:** 1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room A

For further information, please contact Ms. Stephanie Kage, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail: [wi-2-1-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de](mailto:wi-2-1-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de))

**16 June 2015**  
**Panel Discussion on “Freedom of Speech, and Responsibility of Representation: The Films of Abounaddara as Tools to Enact the Right to the Image”**

Co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands and the Vera List Center for Art and Politics, The New School

**Time:** 1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Ms. Ilona Chmoun, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail: [ilona.chmoun@minbuza.nl](mailto:ilona.chmoun@minbuza.nl); tel. (212) 519 9716)



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**17 June 2015**  
**United Nations Insurance Sector Summit**

Organized by the United Nations Office for Partnership, in collaboration with the International Insurance Society

**Time:** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**Venue:** ECOSOC Chamber

For further information, please contact Ms. Lucie Brigham, United Nations Office for Partnership (e-mail: [brigham@un.org](mailto:brigham@un.org); tel. (212) 963-3441)

**17 June 2015**  
**Open E-Consultation with Children and Young People on the Draft Declaration on Sustainable Development Goal**

Organized by UNICEF

**Have your say!** Participate in the E-Consultation **through the 17th of June, 2015** - <http://www.worldwewant2015.org/children>

**18 June 2015**  
**Policy Forum on “Geek Heresy: Is Technology Bad for Development?”**

Organized by the United Nations University (UNU)

**Time:** 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 7

For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail: [kinzli@unu.edu](mailto:kinzli@unu.edu); tel. (212) 963-6387); to register please [click here](#)

**18 June 2015**  
**Panel Discussion on “Peace, Resilience and Sustainable Development in Post-2015: The 2015 Global Peace Index”**

Organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

**Time:** 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Lehtinen, DESA (e-mail: [lehtinen@un.org](mailto:lehtinen@un.org))



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**26 June 2015**

**High-Level Launch of the World Drug Report 2015 (on the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking)**

Organized by the United Nations Office on Drug and Crime (UNODC)

**Time:** 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Ms. Anne Beckmann, UNODC New York Office (e-mail: [beckmann@un.org](mailto:beckmann@un.org) ; tel. (212) 963-5631)

**26 June - 8 July 2015**

**High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, Convened under the Auspices of the Economic and Social Council**

Registration for the 2015 HLPF is now open. Please note that representatives from major groups and other stakeholders must be affiliated with **accredited** non-governmental organizations in order to participate.

The online registration can be accessed at: <http://bit.ly/1J1ST2z>

**Deadline for registration is Monday 15 June**

**“2015 Time for Global Action” Campaign**

The “2015 time for Global Action” campaign is centered around monthly themes that coincide with the priorities for 2015 and opportunities in the calendar of events.

The month of July will highlight the environment and we are pleased to send you the communication package attached that includes resources and tools on this topic.

For more details please visit [www.un.org/action2015](http://www.un.org/action2015)



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## NGO CORNER

**Please note that the events announced here are not organized by the United Nations and do not necessarily reflect the official opinions of the UN**

**15 May 2015**

### **NGO Committee on Sustainable Development, NY - June General Membership Meeting**

**Time:** 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**Venue:** 2nd Floor of the Church Center at the UN at 77 United Nations Plaza (East 44th St. and First Ave.)

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### **Executive Committee Elections**

The NGO/DPI Executive Committee, an eighteen member elected body, represents your interests as Non-Governmental Organizations associated with the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI). The Executive Committee, which acts in an advisory and liaison capacity with DPI, meets at the UN Headquarters in New York each month, from July to June to discuss matters of interest and concern to NGOs associated with DPI. It is now conducting its annual elections.

You are casting your vote for the New Term of the NGO/DPI Executive Committee which begins 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2017. **Candidates' biographies as well as a link to the ballot are provided and can also be found on the website of the [NGO/DPI Executive Committee](#). (<http://ngodpiexecom.org/>)**

Please complete your ballot indicating your choices for two (2) Officer's positions (Chair and Secretary) and seven (7) Director positions. *Votes will be disqualified if submitted by more than 1 authorized person per NGO or includes more than the number of allotted candidates per position.*

**Voting this year will be done electronically:** Just complete the ballot [here](#) and submit, beginning on 20 May and no later than close of business on 19 June 2015. The League of Women Voters will be receiving these and their representatives will be present at our 25 June meeting at the UN to announce the results.

Dear NGO colleagues, the crowd-funding workshop power point and other documents from the **Communications Workshop** are available on our website, [click here](#).



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## NGO Spotlight

### Strategy for Mentoring Initiative and Leadership Empowerment (S.M.I.L.E)

Strategy for Mentoring Initiative and Leadership Empowerment (S.M.I.L.E), is UN/DPI associated Nigeria - based NGO committed to building and empowering a network of youth leaders through programmes designed to instill moral values, knowledge and skills necessary to affect change.

In May, S.M.I.L.E celebrated the graduation of more than 20 young people from their One- Year Programme. This twelve month "character development and value -based leadership programme" is geared toward providing technical training in areas like customer service and communication, team building, networking and organization-building in the hopes of providing young professionals with the skills necessary to lead an organization.

More information on how to apply for the One-Year programme and other information on the work of S.M.I.L.E can be found on their website <http://www.smileng.org/index.php/projects/one-year-programme>

## NGO Resource Centre News

### [NEW PUBLICATIONS IN THE DPI/NGO RESOURCE CENTER](#)

#### [Winter/Spring 2015 DPI/NGO Briefing Calendar](#)

Please find below the Resource Centre hours of operation:

**Monday, Wednesday - 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Tuesday - 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m**

**Thursday - 1:30 to 4 p.m.**

**Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

The Conference Room at the Resource Centre is available the following days and hours:

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays - 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Thursdays - 1:30 to 4 p.m.**

To book it, please send your request via e-mail to [undpingo@un.org](mailto:undpingo@un.org) with the desired date and time. **We will need the following information:**

**Name of the organization, Name of person responsible for the booking & Contact information (e-mail address and phone number)**

**We will send a confirmation e-mail with the booking information.**

Please see the [Journal of the United Nations](#) for more information about events at the United Nations