



## UNIC Library Newsletter - February 2012

### New websites within the UN system

#### UN in General

##### **UN Secretary-General – redesigned website**

English: <http://www.un.org/sg/>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/sg/>

Equal parts diplomat and advocate, civil servant and CEO, the Secretary-General is a symbol of United Nations ideals and a spokesman for the interests of the world's peoples, in particular the poor and vulnerable among them. The current Secretary-General, and the eighth occupant of the post, is Mr. Ban Ki-moon of the Republic of Korea, who took office on 1 January 2007.

##### **The Secretary-General's Five-Year Action Agenda**

English: <http://www.un.org/sg/priorities/index.shtml>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/sg/priorities/index.shtml>

On 25 January 2012 Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon outlined a series of actions he believes the global community must take over the next five years to build "the future we want." In a speech to the General Assembly last September Mr. Ban presented five imperatives – or generational opportunities – that must be addressed to ensure a better future for the world's people. These are sustainable development; preventing and mitigating conflicts, human rights abuses and the impacts of natural disasters; building a safer and more secure world; supporting countries in transition; and working to engage the talents of women and young people.

##### **Resilient People, Resilient Planet: A Future Worth Choosing; Report of the High-level Panel on Global Sustainability**

<http://www.un.org/gsp/report>

Overview also available at [http://issuu.com/unpublications/docs/gsp\\_report\\_overview](http://issuu.com/unpublications/docs/gsp_report_overview)

Now more than ever, leaders need to focus on what matters most - the long-term resilience of people and the planet - the High-level Panel on Global Sustainability urged in its report presented on 30 January 2012 to UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in Addis Ababa. The 22-member Panel, established by the Secretary-General in August 2010 to formulate a new blueprint for sustainable development and low-carbon prosperity, was co-chaired by Finnish President Tarja Halonen and South African President Jacob Zuma. The Panel's final report, "Resilient People, Resilient Planet: A Future worth Choosing," contains 56 recommendations to put sustainable development into practice and to mainstream it into economic policy as quickly as possible.

#### Peace and Security

##### **United Nations Peacekeeping Operations – Fact Sheet: 31 January 2012**

(DPI/1634/Rev.129, February 2012)

English: <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/documents/bnote010101.pdf>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/peacekeeping/documents/bnotepkf.pdf>

##### **United Nations Political and Peacebuilding Missions – Fact Sheet: 31 January 2012**

(DPI/2166/Rev.103, February 2012)

English: <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/documents//ppbm.pdf>

French: <http://www.un.org/french/peace/peace/pdf/ppbmf.pdf>

## **Economic & Social Development**

### **21 Issues for the 21st Century: Results of the UNEP Foresight Process on Emerging Environmental Issues**

Report & Executive Summary: <http://www.unep.org/publications/ebooks/foresightreport/>

The UNEP Foresight Report contains a description of the 21 emerging environmental issues identified through the UNEP Foresight Process, including food, land, freshwater, marine, biodiversity, climate change, energy, waste, technology, better environmental governance, human behavioural change towards the environment.

### **ICPD Beyond 2014 – new website**

<http://icpdbeyond2014.org/>

ICPD Beyond 2014 is the official website for the UNFPA-led global review process of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICDP) Programme of Action. This site details the progress of the Cairo vision to improve the lives of all people. ICPD Beyond 2014 aims to consolidate comprehensive information and personal reflections about the continuing relevance of the PoA. The site is open for engagement and contributions from our partners, stakeholders, and the general public.

### **Mobilising Men in Practice: Challenging sexual and gender-based violence in institutional setting (UNFPA)**

[http://www.unfpa.org/webdav/site/global/shared/documents/publications/2012/Mobilising\\_Men\\_in\\_Practice.pdf](http://www.unfpa.org/webdav/site/global/shared/documents/publications/2012/Mobilising_Men_in_Practice.pdf)

This report – released by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) - documents the work of one such effort, the Mobilising Men initiative, led by the Institute of Development Studies (University of Sussex in Britain) with support from UNFPA. Through partnerships with civil society groups in India, Kenya and Uganda beginning in 2009, the initiative trained men to be team activists in seeking gender balances. By immersing the participants in a programme of dialogue and action that challenge the inherent nature of male privileges and power structures in society – government, academia and workplace – the men learned a lot about themselves and how they can begin to address inequities.

### **World Youth Report: Youth Employment: Youth Perspectives on the Pursuit of Decent Work in Changing Times**

<http://www.unworldyouthreport.org/>

A lack of job opportunities, inadequate education, vulnerable working conditions and insufficient government investment are some of the main concerns of young people around the world, according to a United Nations report on youth published on 6 February 2012. The latest World Youth Report, released by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), for the first time included inputs from young people – with many participating in an online discussion on youth employment.

## **Human Rights**

### **Thematic study by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on participation in political and public life by persons with disabilities (A/HRC/19/36)**

*English & French:* <http://undocs.org/A/HRC/19/36>

The present study focuses on participation in political and public life by persons with disabilities. It analyses relevant provisions of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, highlights good practices in the field of participation of persons with disabilities in elections and in the conduct of public affairs, and identifies the main challenges that still prevent or limit the equal and effective participation of persons with disabilities in the political and public life of their countries.

## New information material

Africa Renewal, Special Edition on Women 2012. 43 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/ecosocdev/geninfo/afrec/special-edition-women/index.html>

Afrique Renouveau, Hors-Série Femmes 2012. 43 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/french/ecosocdev/geninfo/afrec/special-edition-women/index.html>

Making It Industry for Development: Governing a globalized world 3<sup>rd</sup> edition.

Online version: <http://www.makingitmagazine.net/?p=3916>

Making It Industry for Development: We can do it! 4<sup>th</sup> edition

Online version: <http://www.makingitmagazine.net/?p=4232>

World of Work: Fighting discrimination at work; Progress at risk

[http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/@dgreports/@dcomm/documents/publication/wcms\\_160434.pdf](http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/@dgreports/@dcomm/documents/publication/wcms_160434.pdf)

## NEW TITLES added to the library collection in February

### **I. Trade, Finance and Commerce**

Report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to UNCTAD XIII; Development-led globalization: Towards sustainable and inclusive development paths.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2011. Xv, 136 p. (UNCTAD (XIII)/1). Online version:

[http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/tdxiii\\_report\\_en.pdf](http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/tdxiii_report_en.pdf)

### **II. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

Human Development Report 2011: Sustainability and Equity; A Better Future for All..

United Nations Development Programme. New York. 2011. xi, 176 p.

ISBN 978-0-230-36331-16.

Online version: <http://hdr.undp.org/en/reports/global/hdr2011/download/>

### **III. International Labour Organization (ILO)**

Skills for green jobs: A global view

[http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/@ed\\_emp/@ifp\\_skills/documents/publication/wcms\\_156220.pdf](http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/@ed_emp/@ifp_skills/documents/publication/wcms_156220.pdf)

### **IV. Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)**

Letter to partners, 2011

[http://www.unaids.org/en/media/unaids/contentassets/documents/unaidspublication/2011/20110218a\\_LetterToPartners.pdf](http://www.unaids.org/en/media/unaids/contentassets/documents/unaidspublication/2011/20110218a_LetterToPartners.pdf)

### **V. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)**

The state of the world's children 2012: Children in urban world, New York, 2012

ISBN: 978-92-806-4597-2.

Online version: [http://www.unicef.org/sowc/files/SOWC\\_2012-Main\\_Report\\_EN\\_21Dec2011.pdf](http://www.unicef.org/sowc/files/SOWC_2012-Main_Report_EN_21Dec2011.pdf)

### **VI. World Health Organization (WHO)**

Bulletin of the World Health Organization: Volume 90, Number 2, February 2012, p. 77-156.

Online version: <http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/90/2/en/>

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