

2nd International Dialogue

PEOPLES SUSTAINABILITY TREATIES

an alternative pathway for a sustainable transition beyond Rio+20

during The 12th Special Session of the Governing Council / Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF) of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) will be held from 20 to 22 February 2012 at the United Nations Office in Nairobi, Kenya.

Date: 20 February (Monday) 2012

Time: 12.30 - 01.30 PM

Venue: Green Room.



Speakers: Uchita de Zoysa (Centre for Environment and Development), Felix Dodds (Stakeholder forum for a Sustainable Future), Paul Quintos (IBON International)

Respondents: Alexander Juras (UNEP), Chantal Line Carpentier (UNDESA)

The Peoples' Sustainability Treaties have emerged to provide a common platform for voices from civil society to be collectively expressed at Rio+20. The objective is to assist civil society actors to get organized, to generate a collective vision representative of the global people's aspirations and wellbeing, to create an open and common platform to voice these visions, to agree on a pathway of sustainable futures, and to create collective civil agreements on a way forward through principled action.

Through joint stakeholder efforts the treaties calls for the realization of an alternative content outcome at UNCSD2012. The rationale of the this complimentary civil society engagement is to produce 'Treaties', a 'Declaration' and an 'Action Plan', which are to represent and demonstrate the collective visions of the global people and help advance a Global Movement forging sustainable futures for all.

CSOs worldwide are invited to initiate and facilitate treaties on topics considered necessary be addressed at Rio+20 and beyond. Non-profit and non-governmental CSOs are invited to participate as full partners in formulating a treaty. Individuals from any walk of life can participate as contributors, while any person or institution can endorse and commit to a treaty.

A treaty on any relevant theme can be convened and facilitated by a joint alliance represented by minimum one organization from the South and North, respectively. Facilitating organizations are expected to organize an outreach programme to create an open-ended treaty circle, online discussions, public hearings, and treaty dialogues during Rio+20..

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