

13 October 2011

Excellency,

The Secretary-General's High-level Panel on Global Sustainability (GSP) is currently drafting its final report and will have its last meeting in December 2011, before handing the report to the Secretary General in January 2012. Co-chaired by H.E Mrs. Tarja Halonen, President of Finland and H.E Mr. Jacob Zuma, President of South Africa, the GSP is looking into cross-cutting strategies to address the interconnected sustainability challenges of today and tomorrow. The final report will feed into relevant intergovernmental discussions such as the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in 2012.

The first dialogue between General Assembly and the GSP was organized during the 65th session of the General Assembly on 16 March 2011. To further promote dialogue between the Panel members and Member States, I will be convening an informal briefing by President Halonen and President Zuma on the emerging findings and initial recommendations that might be useful as an input into the Rio +20 process.

The meeting will take place on 20 October 2011 from 11am to 1pm in Conference Room 2.

A program of the event is attached.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser

All Permanent Representative and Permanent Observers to the United Nations New York

INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S HIGH-LEVEL PANEL ON GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY (GSP)

Thursday, 20 October 2011 · United Nations Headquarters

Programme

The Interactive Dialogue with the Global Sustainability Panel (GSP) offers an opportunity for Member States to hear initial findings from the work of the Panel so far, as well as to share their views and suggestions with the Panel Co-Chairs and members.

Time	Programme (Venue CR 2)
11:00am – 11:15am	Opening Remarks • H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly • H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General
11:15 am — 12:50pm	Discussion moderated by H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly
	 H.E. Mrs. Tarja Halonen, President of Finland and GSP Co-Chair H.E. Mr. Jacob Zuma, President of South Africa and GSP Co-Chair (by video)
	III. H.E. Mrs. Luisa Diogo, former PM of Mozambique and GSP member
	IV. Additional GSP member to be identified.V. Additional GSP member to be identified
12:50 – 1pm	Closing Remarks
	H.E. Mrs. Tarja Halonen, President of Finland and Co-Chair of the GSP
	H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser , President of the General Assembly