26th Session of UNEP Governing Council / Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF) Debriefing

Thursday, 3 March 2011, 10h00 – 12h00
International Environment House II

The 26th session of the Governing Council / Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF) of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) was held from 21 to 24 February 2011 at the United Nations Office in Nairobi, Kenya. Close to 100 ministers and over 130 countries attended the event, alongside members of civil society, the private sector and scientific bodies.

The ministerial consultations during the twenty-sixth session focused on emerging policy issues under the overall theme of contribution of UNEP to the preparatory process for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 2012. Specific themes taken up at the session were “Green economy” and “International environmental governance”.

In support of these discussions, UNEP presented a pivotal new report on how a transition to a Green Economy might be achieved by countries. The Governing Council also adopted some 17 key decisions across UNEP’s Programme of Work.

You are cordially invited to attend this event providing an overview of the outcomes and the decisions taken at UNEP GC/GMEF.

**Provisional Agenda**

9h45 Coffee & Tea

10h00 Welcome and introduction
Christophe Bouvier, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP

10h10 UNEP 26th Session of the Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum (GC/GMEF)
Steven Stone, Chief, Economics and Trade Branch, UNEP/DTIE
Christophe Bouvier, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP

11h20 Question-and-answer session

12h00 End
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We would be grateful if you could indicate your participation in advance by completing this form and returning it by 1st March 2011 to the address below by fax, post or email (gen.secretary@unep.org). Please note that English is the working language of this event.

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