



Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Special Meeting

Natural Resources, Peaceful Societies and Sustainable Development: Lessons from the Kimberley Process

18 March 2022, 15:00 – 18:00 (NY Time)
General Assembly Hall

DRAFT PROGRAMME

15:00-16:00

Opening of the session

- H.E. Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile, President of the Economic and Social Council
- H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, President of the 76th Session of the UN General Assembly
- H.E. Mr. Mohamed Issa Abushahab, President of the Security Council (March)
- H.E. Ms. Rabab Fatima, Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission
- Mr. Achim Steiner, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on behalf of H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres, United Nations Secretary-General

Keynote addresses

- H.E. Mr. Mokgweetsi Masisi, President of the Republic of Botswana
- H.E. Mr. Oumar Sarr, Minister of Mining and Geology of Senegal, on behalf of H.E. Mr. Macky Sall, President of Senegal and Chair of the African Union
- H.E. Mr. Silvio Gonzato, Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations

16:00 - 16:30

Leveraging natural resources for peaceful societies and sustainable development

- H.E. Dr. Doto Mashaka Biteko, Minister of Minerals of the United Republic of Tanzania and Chair of the African Diamond Producers Association (ADPA)
- H.E. Ambassador João Samuel Caholo, Executive Secretary of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR)
- Ms Vera Songwe, Executive Secretary of UN Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) on behalf of the UN regional commissions
- Mr. Alexey Moiseev, Deputy Minister of Finance, Outgoing Chair, Kimberley Process, Russian Federation (prerecorded video message)
- Mr. Jacob Thamage, Deputy Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Mineral Resources, Coordinator of Diamond Hub, and Incoming Chair of Kimberley Process, Botswana

16:30 - 17:00

Voices from the Civil Society

- Dr. Michel Yoboue, Coordinator of the Kimberley Process Civil Society Coalition
- Mr. Stephen D’Esposito, President and the Chief Executive Officer, Diamond Development Initiative (DDI) at RESOLVE
- Mr. Edward Asscher, President, World Diamond Council (WDC)
- Ms. Léonnie Kandolo, Representative, FemWise-Africa

17:00 - 17:50

Interventions by Member States

17:50 - 17:55

Keynote closing address

- H.E. Dr. Festus Mogae, Former President of the Republic of Botswana

17:55 - 18:00

Closing remarks

- H.E. Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile, President of the Economic and Social Council