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# The UN conference on Sustainable Development

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# Objective

- Secure renewed political commitment for sustainable development
  - assessing progress to date and the remaining gaps in the implementation of the outcomes of the major summits on SD
  - addressing new and emerging challenges
- UN General Assembly adopted a Resolution ([A/RES/64/236](#))



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# Thematic focus

Include:

- a green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication;
- the institutional framework for sustainable development



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# Preparatory Process

- Three Preparatory Committee meetings: May 2010, March 2011 and May 2012
- Three Intersessional meetings: January 2010, December 2011 and March 2012
- UN Conference on Sustainable Development, Rio+20, 4-6 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro



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# Participation

- Member states
- UN system
- Major groups and civil society

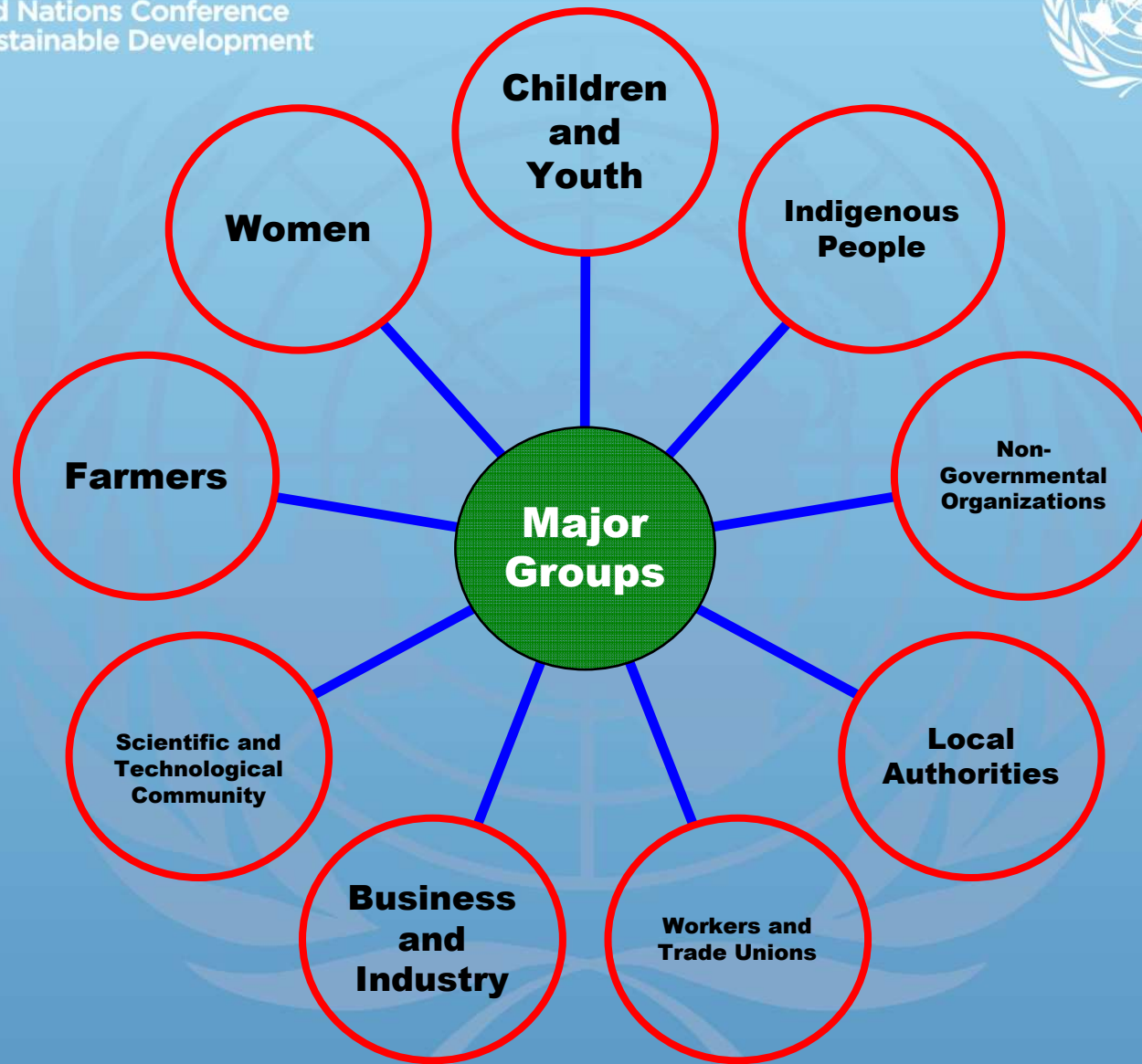


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# Road-map to Rio

## 2011

- **Fall**
- Regional Preparatory
  - meetings (RPMs)
- **November 1**
  - input to compilation document
- **15-16 December**
  - Second Intersessional,
  - UN Headquarters, NY

## 2012

- **Jan** 3 days meeting, NY  
Negotiations on zero-draft  
**13-17 Feb, 19-23 March, 30 April 4 May**
- **26-27 March**  
Third Intersessional, NY
- **28-30, May**  
Third prep-com, Rio, Brazil
- **31 May- 3 June**  
Thematic days
- **4-6 June, Rio+20**  
Conference, Rio



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# Process for outcome document

- Inputs received from all, by Nov 1 at [uncsd2012@un.org](mailto:uncsd2012@un.org)
- National and regional Prep meetings input
  - Bureau prepares a compilation document by Dec 15-16 intersessional
    - Serves as basis for zero-draft by early Jan
      - Discussion of zero-draft in 3 days meeting in Jan
- One week of informal informals in each of Feb, March and April to further discuss draft outcome





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# Outcome document

- *Focused political document*
  - to address **integration** of economic, social and environmental goals,
  - **coherence** of action at all levels, and
  - ensure **implementation** of commitments



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# Regional Preparatory Meetings

- **Latin America and Caribbean Region, ECLAC**  
7-9 Sep 2011, Santiago, Chile <http://www.eclac.cl/rio20>
- **Africa Region, ECA and partners**  
20-25 Oct 2011 , Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, [akol@un.org](mailto:akol@un.org)
- **The Arab Region, ESCWA and partners**  
16-17 Oct 2011 , Cairo, Egypt, [majdalani@un.org](mailto:majdalani@un.org)
- **Asia Pacific Region, ESCAP**  
19-20 Oct 2011 , Seoul, Republic of South Korea,  
[UNESCAP@un.org](mailto:UNESCAP@un.org)
- **North America, W,C,&E Europe Region, ECE**  
1 Dec 2011 - 2 Dec 2011 , Geneva, Switzerland,  
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# Emerging priorities

- Inclusive growth, green jobs
- Food security; sustainable agriculture
- Access to energy, clean energy
- Water security and access
- Ocean – blue economy
- Green urban economies/ecocities
- Disaster preparedness and resilience



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# The UNECE Regional Preparatory Meeting (RPM)

*prepared in close cooperation with:*

- Organizations and bodies working in the areas of green economy and sustainable development governance
- The UNCSD Secretariat and the vice-chairs of the UNCSD Bureau responsible for the regional preparations



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# Additional inputs into the UNCSD preparatory meeting

*Outcomes of ECE meetings in 2011, including:*

- 7<sup>th</sup> “Environment for Europe” (EfE) Ministerial Conference, 21–23 Sept., Astana
- 4th session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention, 29 June-1 July 2011, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova
- Steering Committee of the UNECE Strategy for Education for Sustainable Development at its Sixth meeting in April 2011, Geneva



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# Preparations:

- **Invitations** sent out to UNECE member states, relevant international org-s and major groups together with the provisional agenda
- A **draft organization of work** will be elaborated by the secretariat in cooperation with the UNEP, UNDP and other regional org-s and bodies
- **Side events** by governments, partner organizations, business, NGOs and civil society
- **Training and Coordination Meeting** for NGOs by DESA and Major Groups organizing partners, on November 30



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# Format of the meeting

- A 2-day meeting divided into **3 thematic segments**, organized in the form of multi-stakeholder panel discussions and round table, and a plenary session:
  - 1. Assessment of progress in the implementation of the outcomes of the major summits on SD and addressing new and emerging challenges**
  - 2. A green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication**
  - 3. The institutional framework for sustainable development**



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# Expected outcome

- The consolidated results of discussions
- →→ input into the **Co-Chairs' Summary** of the Meeting





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• ***Thank you!***