

Minutes of the

Third meeting of the UNFF 3 Bureau

UNFF Secretariat, DC-2 Building, New York

Wednesday, 26 February 2003

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Attendees

Bureau Members: Mr. Hossein Moeini Meybodi (Chairperson-designate, Iran), Mr. Gustavo Eduardo Ainchil (Argentina), Mr. Peter Csoka (Hungary), Ms. Conceição Ferreira (Portugal) and H.E. Mr. Matia Mulumba Semakula Kiwanuka (Uganda)

CPF: Mr. Hosny El-Lakany, Chairperson and Assistant Director-General, FAO

UNFF Secretariat: Pekka Patosaari, Jorge Illueca, Elisabeth Barsk-Rundquist, Mahendra Joshi, Mia Soderlund, Catalina Santamaria, and Barbara Tavora-Jainchill

ECOSOC Secretariat: Ms. June Chesney

The **third** meeting of the Bureau considered the following agenda items:

1. Welcome and introduction
2. Preparation for UNFF3
 - 2.1 Organization of work of UNFF3
 - 2.2 Status of documentation
 - 2.3 Country-led initiatives in support of UNFF
3. CPF activities
4. UNFF Secretariat Staffing
5. Other business
 - 5.1 Information on travel support, etc
 - 5.2 Briefing to the Permanent Missions
 - 5.3 National focal points
 - 5.4 Planning joint bureau meetings
 - 5.5 Next Bureau meeting

Welcome and introduction

Mr. Hossein Moeini Meybodi chaired the meeting and welcomed the members of the Bureau to the meeting. He also welcomed Mr. Pekka Patosaari as the new Coordinator and Head of the UNFF Secretariat. Mr. Patosaari expressed his appreciation to the Bureau and looked forward to working together in the coming days.

The Bureau also discussed possible ways to bring to the attention of UNFF, decisions made by ECOSOC.

The Bureau also expressed a need for further cooperation, collaboration and exchange of information with other functional commissions in the future. It suggested that the Secretariat explore the possibility of holding a joint bureau meeting with the Bureau of CSD, in the future.

5.5 Next Bureau meeting

The Bureau decided to leave the option open, dependant upon circumstances. If no need arises, then the next bureau meeting will be held in Geneva on Sunday, 25 May 2003.

Closing of the meeting

Mr. Moeini expressed satisfaction with the discussion held at the meeting, thanked the members of the Bureau, Secretariat and CPF chairperson, and concluded the meeting.