



FAQ - 2010 MDG Review Summit

Q. What is the 2010 MDG Summit?

The MDG Review Summit, officially called the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly, will take place during 20 – 22 September in New York and is hosted by the Secretary-General. The objective is to take stock of proven initiatives that made progress on the Goals and for governments to commit to a concrete action agenda to achieve the MDGs, as well as other internationally agreed development goals. The Summit will comprise six plenary meetings and six closed roundtable sessions over the course of three days.

Q. What will make the Summit a success?

A successful summit should generate a renewed political commitment to achieve the MDGs and lead to a global action agenda for accelerating progress towards the Goals.

Q. What is UNDP doing for the MDG Summit?

1. UNDP is creating a country-level evidence base of progress made towards each Goal and what steps can be taken for accelerating MDG efforts. Specifically:
 - UNDP is assisting some 30 governments to prepare national MDG reports, including analysis of constraints to achievement, success factors and the impact of climate change and other global crises.
 - Drawing on the 30 national MDG reports, UNDP is preparing a synthesis report to capture key common success factors and obstacles for each Goal.
 - UNDP is leading the preparation of an international assessment, which will examine what needs to be done in order to achieve the MDGs by 2015.
 - UNDP is developing an MDG acceleration framework that would provide UN country teams with a systematic methodology for identifying constraints and solutions to address them at the national and sub-national levels.
 - At the regional level, UNDP is working closely with partners to support regional MDG reports that analyse regional and sub-regional progress and gaps.
2. UNDP is building a coalition of partners through global events. It was actively involved in the MDG conference in London in March 2010 and is supporting similar events in the run-up to the Summit.
3. UNDP is providing coordination support to the MDG Africa Steering Group to scale up advocacy and resource mobilisation activities for the MDGs in that region.

4. UNDP is joining efforts with the Goodwill ambassadors, civil society organisations, the private sector and other partners to reach a wide range of constituents to raise awareness.

Q. What are the key documents for the MDG Summit?

UNDP Documents

MDG Synthesis Report (expected in June 2010)

Capturing key lessons learnt from 30 countries based on their national MDG reports, this report highlights common success factors and obstacles for each Goal and analyses the impact of the food, fuel, financial crises and climate change at the country level.

International Assessment on the MDGs (expected in June 2010)

Building on the lessons from *MDG Synthesis Report*, this document specifies what is required to accelerate MDG progress in the next five years. UNDP has set up a Technical Advisory Panel, a small group of technical experts from different member states and partner institutions, for the assessment.

Accelerating Progress on the MDGs (expected in May 2010)

This is a collection of sample success stories from developing countries that have made remarkable progress on the MDG indicators. The publication illustrates progress can be achieved even in low-income countries. The SG's *Keeping the Promise* makes a reference to this publication.

Inter-Agency Documents

(*indicates the official reports for the MDG Summit)

Keeping the Promise* (published in March 2010)

http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/pdf/sgreport_draft.pdf

The Secretary-General's comprehensive summit report, mandated by GA resolution 64/184, states that while major successes have been achieved, progress has been uneven, and that without additional efforts, several Goals are likely to be missed in many countries. Specifically, the report lays out concrete recommendations for actions to achieve the MDGs.

MDG Gap Task Force Report* (advanced copy expected in June 2010)

Coordinated by UNDP and DESA and drawing on contributions from over 30 UN agencies, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and others, this report measures how far the commitments made in support of MDG 8 have been accomplished, including on aid, trade and debt relief.

United Nations Development Group MDG Good Practices* (expected in May 2010)

This publication presents more than 200 good practices from developing countries to address Goal-specific constraints.

Millennium Development Goals Report 2010 (expected in July 2010)

This annual publication provides the latest progress data, based on statistics from more than 20 UN and international agencies on each Goal, globally and regionally. UNDP is fully engaged in the UN Inter-Agency and Expert Group on the MDGs to support DESA in the production of this report.