

Media Advisory

The United Nations Information Service (UNIS) Vienna and the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (UNSCEAR)

invite you to a

Press Briefing

on

Wednesday 6 April at 2 p.m.

in

Room M2, M-building,
Vienna International Centre (VIC)

Journalists are invited to attend a briefing on two reports, *Radiation exposures in accidents* and *Effects on non-human biota*, about to be published by the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (UNSCEAR).

The two reports, whose publication has been delayed, are detailed scientific annexes underpinning the main findings of the UNSCEAR 2008 report. A third annex, about the health consequences due to radiation from the Chernobyl accident, was issued as an advance copy in February.

UNSCEAR was established in 1955, reporting to the UN General Assembly on levels and effects of ionizing radiation. Its authoritative findings led to the Partial Test Ban Treaty prohibiting atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons. Its scientific assessments underpin international standards for radiation protection.

Speakers include:

Wolfgang Weiss
Chair of UNSCEAR

Fred Mettler
UNSCEAR Committee Member

Carl-Magnus Larsson
UNSCEAR Committee Member

and

Achim Steiner
Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
will participate by video link

Kindly register for the exhibition opening by writing to
press@unvienna.org latest by noon, Friday, 1 April 2011.

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