
The Secretary-General's High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis

The United Nations Secretary-General established a task force on the global food security crisis under his chairmanship on 28 April, 2008. It is composed of the heads of involved United Nations specialized agencies, funds and programmes, the Bretton Woods institutions, and relevant parts of the UN Secretariat.

The Task Force mandate is to promote a unified response to the global food challenge, including by facilitating the creation of a prioritized plan of action and coordinating its implementation. It has drafted a Comprehensive Framework for Action, which defines and elaborates a three-part strategy for addressing the food crisis.

The Task Force is chaired by the UN Secretary-General. FAO Director-General Jacques Diouf is the Vice-Chairman of the Task Force. The Secretary-General has appointed Assistant Secretary-General David Nabarro as Task Force Coordinator, effective 1 January 2009.

List of participants

- » Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, Chairman
- » Jacques Diouf, Vice-Chairman, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- » Lennart Bage, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- » Dominique Strauss-Kahn, International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- » Angel Gurría Secretary-General of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- » Supachai Panitchpakdi, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- » Kemal Dervis, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- » Achim Steiner, United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)
- » António Guterres, Office for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- » Ann M. Veneman, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
- » Josette Sheeran, World Food Programme (WFP)
- » Margaret Chan, World Health Organization (WHO)
- » Robert Zoellick, World Bank
- » Pascal Lamy, World Trade Organization (WTO)
- » Sha Zukang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)
- » B. Lynn Pascoe, Department of Political Affairs (DPA)
- » Kiyotaka Akasaka, Department of Public Information (DPI)
- » Alain Le Roy, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO)
- » Jeffrey Sachs, Secretary-Generals Special Advisor on the Millennium Development Goals.
- » John Holmes, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
- » Cheick Sidi Diarra, UN High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS)
- » David Nabarro, Task Force Coordinator

For more information, see the Task Force website at <http://www.un.org/issues/food/taskforce/>