

United Nations Economic Commission For Europe
World Environment Day 2015
Palais des Nations, Room XIV, 5 June

12.30-13.00 **Cocktail reception**

13.00-13.20 **Opening remarks**

Mr. Michael Møller, Acting Director-General,
United Nations Office at Geneva

H.E Ambassador Mukhtar Tileuberdi, Permanent
Representative of Kazakhstan, UNECE Chair

H.E Ambassador Raimonds Jansons, Permanent
Representative of Latvia, UNECE Vice-Chair

13.20-13.40 **Keynote address**

**Climate Change: Where we are, where we may be
going**

Prof. Martin Beniston, University of Geneva

13.40-14.30 **Screening of documentary**

**Déchets — Honourable Mention, Festival du Film
Vert Suisse 2015**

Ms. Kate Amiguet, Documentarist, Switzerland

14.30-15.00 **Opening of cartoon exhibition (until 19 June)**

Environment in change

Mr. Tom Tirabosco, Cartoonist, Switzerland

Coffee, tea & biscuits

Moderator: Mr. Marco Keiner, Director, Environment Division,
UNECE

**“Climate Change: Where we are, where we may be going” by Prof.
Martin Beniston**

Martin Beniston is Chair for Climate Research, and Director of the Institute for Environmental Sciences at the University of Geneva. His talk will summarize some of the latest knowledge on climatic change. The talk will focus on key issues that pertain to human well-being and economic sustainability, such as continued access to water resources, food security, health, and the often complex interactions between many human and natural systems. The main items for discussion at the forthcoming COP-21 meeting in Paris will also be presented, in order to highlight why a global accord on carbon emissions now needs to be at the forefront of government strategies.

“Déchets” by Kate Amiguet

Kate Amiguet is an environmental activist as well as a video and photo reporter. She has been engaged in environmental protection in the framework of her Fondation M.A.R.T. (Mouvement pour les Animaux & le Respect de la Terre) for several years. Her most recent movie is about waste. It is about how our lifestyle, based on unsustainable consumption habits disconnected from natural rhythms and patterns, has led us to an overproduction of waste. The documentary features several stories testifying to this challenge in images that you will not forget.

“Environment in change” by Tom Tirabosco

Tom Tirabosco is a cartoonist based in Switzerland, who works regularly for the Swiss press. He is also the author of several comics and children’s books, translated into a number of languages. He exhibits his artwork in Switzerland and abroad. From childhood on, Tom Tirabosco has been sensitive to nature, from which he receives a lot of his inspiration. In his drawings, he focuses his attention on environmental problems, such as the depletion of natural resources, unsustainable consumption and waste as well as climate change.