Proposed agenda for the training session, November 30, Salle IX at the Palais des Nations, Geneva

Please NOTE:
The main gate of the UN opens at 08:00 for registration. We strongly recommend that those who have not a pass to the UN be present at the gate at 08:00 as getting your pass will take some time.

08:00 – Registration at the main gate, the Pregny Gate

09:00 - Welcome by Monika Linn, Principal Advisor and Chief, Development Policies and Cross-Sectoral Coordination Unit, Office of the Executive Secretary, ECE and from Leida Rijnhout, Director of ANPED and Organising Partner for the NGO Major Group for the Rio plus 20 process.

09:20 – 10:00 – A brief outline of the day, Rio plus 20 Conference content, issues, time lines etc. by the trainer, Don Edwards, Stakeholder Forum.

10:00 – 10:20 - Coffee break, the Delegates Lounge or the Press Coffee Bar

10:20 – 11:00 –the trainer continues, more on Rio, the process, and branching over to lobby issues and looking at the upcoming RIM;

11:00 – 11:15 – small break, a breather

11:15 – 12:00 –the trainer continues, more of the same, and concluding and summing up.

12:00 – 12:15 – small break, a breather

12:15 – 13:15 – This hour is an invitation and an opportunity for different UN Agencies to present their views on Rio plus 20. It is important that the presentations are relevant to the Rio plus 20 agenda items, and it would be of interest to see how these agencies see their contribution to the upcoming Rio plus 20 Conference. Each of the agencies is given a maximum of 10 – 12 minutes.

Based on 60 minutes, a maximum of 6 agencies may present their views. The chair from the NGO group and the trainer will chair this session jointly. The presentations will be followed by a Question and Answer period

Ms. Helena Molin-Valdes, Director , United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR).
Hamish Jenkins, UN Non Governmental liaison Service (NGLS)

Ms. Gina Lucarelli, Regional Coordination Specialist, UNDG Europe and Central Asia, (UNDP) and Mr. Patrice Robineau, co-ordinator of the UN system Report "From Transition to Transformation: Sustainable and Inclusive Development in Europe and Central Asia" [The draft report is available under http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/env/SustainableDevelopment/RPM2011/first/Dr aftInteragencyReport_18Nov2011.pdf]

Amy Fraenkel, Regional Director for North America, UNEP,

13:15 – 14:45 - Lunch break taken in the UN cafeteria

15:00 – 16:00 afternoon plenary, an overview of the days to come, roles, opportunities;
The chair from the NGO group, Leida Rijnhout, and the trainer, Mr. Don Edwards will chair this session jointly.

16:00 to 17:00, break out groups

17:00 to 18:00 Plenary and report backs.
The chair from the NGO group and the trainer will chair this session jointly.

During the RPM, every morning, the Major Groups will have a morning meeting one hour prior to the official meeting starts. These meetings will be chaired by the NGO Organising Partner, Leida Rijnhout, director of ANPED.