



Co NGO Committee on Sustainable Development, NY

Environmental, social and economic development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
~ "Turn Your Passions into Actions for Change" ~

~ **NGOCSD Members & Guests are Welcome** ~

Wednesday, May 28th, 2014 Time: 2-4PM

Hardin Room, 11th Floor; UN Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza (on E. 44th St. @ First Ave.)

2-2:30PM

Welcome from the NGOCSD Executive Committee

~ **Reports & Updates** ~

2:30-3PM

"Sustainable Development Solutions: Reflections from the Asia-Pacific Region" ~

~ **Ms. Claire Bulger, Special Assistant to Prof. Jeffrey Sachs, Director of the Earth Institute** ~

Ms. Bulger is also the coordinator of the *World Happiness Report*, and works closely with Prof. Sachs on Earth Institute initiatives related to the study and promotion of happiness and wellbeing. Claire graduated from Harvard University, where she majored in history and wrote a thesis on the impact of missionary leprosy control in colonial Nigeria.

3-4PM

"UNEP, the Sustainable Development Goals and Post-2015"

~ **Mr. James Sniffen, Programme & Liaison Officer,**

United Nations Environment Programme - New York Office ~

Mr. Sniffen is the Programme and Liaison Officer in the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), serving there since late 1996. He handles the office's administrative and budgetary matters and represents UNEP in various subsidiary bodies of the UN's General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council. In addition, he is responsible for the office's media relations and civil society outreach, serving also as the focal point for UNEP's work on inter-faith issues.

He joined UNEP in 1991 at its Headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya, eventually handling the organization's media affairs. While with UNEP in Nairobi he has served as Spokesman for several major international environmental conferences, on subjects ranging from marine pollution, to biodiversity conservation to ozone depletion. He joined the United Nations in 1980, working primarily in the UN's Department of Public Information. He has also served with the electoral mission prior to Namibia's independence in 1989-1990. He is a resident of New Jersey, married with four children -- all boys.