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Dear UNA-USA Members and Friends,

This newsletter includes logistical details about attending the February 4 conference at the UN. If you haven't registered already, please do it now! Friends are welcome and students attend free of charge. See article for more.

Registration is Now Open for our 5th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference / Members Day at the UN: **"The U.S. at the UN: Opportunities for Renewal," Monday, February 4.** See the updated article below for information on the program and panelists.

Where: 1st Avenue at East 46th Street, just north of the General Assembly building, which is topped with a dome.

On-site admission opens at 8:30 a.m. only for those registered for our conference.

Enter through the white tent for security screening. Be sure to have photo ID with you. And leave plenty of time for the screening.

UNA-USA Conference Sign-In Tables: In the Visitors' Lobby look for the UNA-USA registration tables. You'll receive a program and a visitor's badge to the Conference.

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We look forward to seeing you on February 4th.

See also articles below on UNA Women and on Miscellaneous UN News.

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With warm regards,

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Registration now Open! Go to: www.unausa.org/membersday

The 5th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference / UNA-USA Members Day at the UN

"The U.S. at the UN: Opportunities for Renewal"

Monday, February 4, 2013

Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.

Conference - 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Morning keynote speaker: Jan Eliasson,
UN Deputy Secretary-General



Who should attend: UNA Members, High School and College Students, and members of the Public who want to learn more about global affairs and the United Nations.

You'll have a chance to hear: Kathy Calvin, UN Foundation CEO and President-Elect, Patrick Madden, UNA-USA Executive Director, and Brooke Loughrin, the first U.S. Youth Observer to the UN.

PANELS:

Rio+20: Moving Forward

Moderator: Robb Skinner, Senior Director for UN Relations and Special Initiatives, UN Foundation

Panelists:

- Nikhil Seth, Director of the Division for Sustainable Development, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- Eban Goodstein, PhD, Director, Bard Center for Environmental Policy
- Representative of U.S. Mission to the UN

Global Economy, Education, and Youth

Moderator: Dr. Padmini Murthy, VP, Southern New York State Division, a physician and Assistant Professor, Department of

Health Policy and Management and Global Health Program
Director, School of Health Sciences and Practice, New York
Medical College

Panelists:

- Kevin Cassidy, Communications and External Relations Officer, International Labor Organization, New York
- Dr. Brenda Haiplik, Senior Education Advisor- Emergencies, at UNICEF in New York
- Selim Jahan, PhD, Director of the Poverty Reduction Practice with the Bureau of Development Policy at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Finding Solutions to Stubborn Conflicts

Moderator:

Jeffrey Laurenti, Senior Fellow, The Century Foundation

Panelists:

- Hon. Gerard Araud, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations
- Raghida Dergham, Executive Chairman, Beirut Institute and Senior Diplomatic Correspondent, Al-Hayat
- Antonella Caruso, Director of the UN Department of Political Affairs Middle East and West Asia Division (MEWAD)

If you have questions, email: unasouthernny@gmail.com

Miscellaneous UN News

On 22 January Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon briefed the General Assembly on **UN priorities for 2013**. Click here for **text and video**.

UN Peacekeeping's **2012 Year in Review** is available here.

The International Labour Organization has produced a new **Global Employment Trends** Report. This relates directly to our upcoming panel on February 4 on "Global Economy, Education and Youth."

UNA Women

SAVE THE DATE

From Acceptance to Resistance: Changing Attitudes Surrounding Violence against Women- A Life Cycle Approach

When: Friday, March 8, 2013 at 2:30 PM

Where: In the Chapel, 1st Floor-Church Center for the UN-777 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017

Moderator: Charlotte Bunch, Founding Director and Senior Scholar, at the Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University and prominent activist.

Stay tuned for further details.

UNA Women will take a Life Cycle Approach about Violence Against Women, focusing on infants/children/youth; war & conflict and the displaced; and on the growing numbers of elderly. We look forward to seeing you there.

To become a Facebook member of UNA Women write to: tdyall@unausa.org **<https://www.facebook.com/groups/304665996306645/?ref=ts&fref=ts>**

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