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Dear UNA-USA Members and Friends,

[New York](#)

I'm writing to answer some questions we've received about Monday's conference.

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Wi-Fi will be available for tweeting. Hashtags are #UNAMemberDay and #UNASouthernNY

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We look forward to seeing you at our 5th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference / Members Day at the UN: **"The U.S. at the UN: Opportunities for Renewal," Monday, February 4.**

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

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On-site admission opens at 8:30 a.m. only for those registered for our conference. UNA-USA staff and volunteers will facilitate your entry. **The conference will start promptly at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room 3.**

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

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UNA-USA Conference Sign-In Tables: In the Visitors' Lobby look for the UNA-USA registration tables. You'll receive

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a program and a visitor's badge to the Conference and volunteers will escort you to the conference room in the North Lawn Building.

Lunch arrangements: Lunch will take place from 11:45 - 12:55. You'll receive an information sheet with local restaurants. Alternatives are to bring a bite (no food can be eaten in the conference room, though) or there are two small and very busy cafes in the UN. The afternoon session will start promptly at 1:00 pm with Brooke Loughrin, the first-ever U.S. Observer to the UN, who will talk about her experience.

We look forward to seeing you tomorrow! For last-minute questions, you can phone, text or email Dr. David Stillman, who will be at the rear of the conference room: 914-924-0108 and ppafoundation@gmail.com

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With warm regards,

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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



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
- Minh-Thu Pham, Director of Public Policy, UN Foundation

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
- Jehangir Khan, Deputy Director, UN Department of Political Affairs Middle East and West Asia Division (MEWAD)

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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