

# Business Symposium at UNEA-3

## Businesses #BeatPollution

Conference Room 1, United Nations Gigiri Complex

December 3, 2017

15:00 – 18:00



### PROGRAMME

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The first of its kind, the Business Symposium will mark the growing recognition for business' role and responsibility in achieving the sustainable development goals, and the renewed commitment the business community has made to engage with UN Environment and its member states through the launch of the [Global Business Alliance for the Environment \(GBA4E\)](#) which will help to coordinate more business engagement.

The private sector in all its forms – farms, small and medium enterprises, family-owned companies, national firms, and multinationals - can make a major contribution to UN Environment's mission. [The Business Symposium will offer the opportunity to engage a broad cross-section of business representatives in dialogue with UN staff, governments and civil society on the key themes the United Nations Environment Assembly, with a focus on business' contribution to achieving a pollution-free planet.](#) Held in a unique rapid-fire format, it will feature examples of specific actions businesses are taking. Businesses will present in each area, followed by interactive time with member states, UN agencies and other stakeholders. The Business Symposium follows the UN Science-Policy-Business Forum on the Environment on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017.

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Opening Plenary: *Business for the Environment*

H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák, President of the UN General Assembly

H.E. Dr. Edgar Gutiérrez, President of the UN Environment Assembly

Erik Solheim, Executive Director, United Nations Environment Program

Stella Simiyu Wafukho, Co-chair GBA4E, CropLife Africa Middle East

15:30 – 17:30

**Rapid Fire Case Studies: *Actions Businesses are taking to #BeatPollution***

**H.E. Ms. Elizabeth Ines Taylor Jay**, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Colombia

**Rob Kaplan**, Managing Director, Closed Loop Partners

**Adebola Adedugbe**, African Agribusiness Incubators Network

**Juha Suojanen**, CEO and Founder, EkoRent

**Tip O'Neill**, CEO And President, International Raw Materials LTD

**Lucy Muchoki**, CEO, PANAAC

**Martin Dyer**, GM & Board Member, Kisima Farms

*Interventions by Member States and Others*

**Joao Rando**, President, inpEV

**Keondra Bills Freemyn**, Manager International Government Relations, Ocean Conservancy

**Martin Engelmann**, Director General, International Paint and Printing Ink Council

**Eric Bureau**, Managing Director East Africa & Head of CropScience Bayer

*Interventions by Member States and Others*

**Margaret Munene**, CEO, Palmhouse Dairies

**Erick Omollo Juma**, Account Manager, Novozymes

**Nikhil Joshi**, CEO, Sapat Group

**Seppo Halonen**, Sales Manager, Vaisala

**Steve Flynn**, Senior Associate, IPIECA

*Interventions by Member States and Others*

17:30 – 18:00

**Closing Plenary: *Partnering to achieve a pollution-free world***

**Jian Liu**, UN Environment Chief Science officer, United Nations Environment Program

**Carole Kariuki**, CEO, Kenya Private Sector Alliance

**Norine Kennedy**, Co- Chair GBA4E, US Council for International Business

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Explore the capacity of business to catalyze sustainable growth and environmental stewardship at the #UNEA3 Business Symposium.

Register at: <http://www.gba4e.org>

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