

**International Day of Cooperatives:  
Innovative approaches to implementing the  
2030 Agenda**

*Side event to the High-Level Political Forum on  
Sustainable Development*

Monday, 11 July 2016  
13.15 - 14.30 (1:15pm - 2:30pm)  
Conference Room 9, UN Headquarters  
New York

**PROGRAMME**

- 13.15 **Cooperatives: The power to act for a sustainable future**  
Ariel Guarco, President, Co-operative Confederation of Argentina (COOPERAR), representing the International Co-operative Alliance (on behalf of COPAC as Chair)  
Daniela Bas, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development (DSPD), UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)  
Gilbert Houngbo, Deputy Director-General for Field Operations & Partnerships, International Labour Organization (ILO)
- 13.30 **The 2030 Agenda and the World Bank: The role of cooperatives**  
Mahmoud Mohieldin, Senior Vice President for the 2030 Development Agenda, United Nations Relations, and Partnerships, World Bank Group
- 13.40 **National perspectives**  
His Excellency Vincent T. Seretse, Minister for Investment, Trade and Industry, Republic of Botswana  
His Excellency Sebastiano Cardi, Permanent Representative, Mission of Italy to the UN  
His Excellency Sukhbold Sukhee, Permanent Representative, Mission of Mongolia to the UN
- 13.55 **Cooperative solutions: Examples of innovation in achieving the SDGs**  
Moderated by Daniela Bas
- Creating decent jobs through cooperative enterprises for the future world of work*  
Sonia Maria Dias, Waste Sector Specialist, Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO)
- Innovative partnerships for food security and hunger eradication*  
Hélène Jollette, Union des Producteurs Agricoles – Développement International (UPA/DI), Canada  
William Rolleston, Vice President, World Farmers' Organisation
- 14.10 **Interactive discussion: Ways to bolster cooperative contributions to the SDGs**
- 14.20 **Video: 2016 International Day of Cooperatives**
- 14.25 **Conclusions**  
Ariel Guarco, President, Co-operative Confederation of Argentina (COOPERAR)

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