

The aim of this monthly newsletter is to help keep interested members of civil society informed on the latest developments and events on the road leading to the Doha Conference. Future issues will include contributions from members of civil society as well as government and UN officials. It is our hope that you will find this to be a relevant and useful publication. If you wish to subscribe, please write to us at npls@un.org or ffdoffice@un.org.



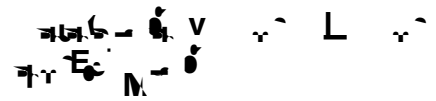
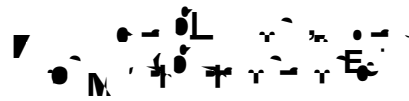
Building on that commitment, the UN General Assembly has decided to hold a **Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development (FfD)** in Doha, Qatar in the second half of 2008.

A series of high-level intergovernmental events on Financing for Development will lead up to the Conference:

- (1) Spring Meeting of ECOSOC with BWIs, WTO and UNCTAD (NY, 16 April 2007)
- (2) First ECOSOC Development Cooperation Forum (Geneva, July 2007)

- (3) GA High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development (New York, fourth quarter 2007) (T/0 T56()) (confirmation by Member States)

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Official documents on Financing for Development, including General Assembly and ECOSOC resolutions, can be found at:

<http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/indexDocuments.htm>

Meeting reports and background papers on current activities can be easily accessed by selecting entries of interest in the FfD calendar of events at:

<http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/indexEvents.htm>

Most recent additions include:

(I) [Financing access to basic utilities for all – Lessons learned from the Latin American experience](#)

Report of the multi-stakeholder consultation held in Brasilia, Brazil (11-13 December 2006).

(II) [Rethinking the role of National Development Banks in Africa](#)

General Conclusions, Policy Recommendations and Action-oriented Proposals of the multi-stakeholder consultation held in Johannesburg, South Africa (22-23 November 2006).
