



FIFTH ROUND TABLE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS

The role of Members of Parliament in promoting sustainable development at national level within the framework of the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

Palacio de las Convenciones
Meeting Room Hotel Palco
(Havana, Cuba, 3- 4 September 2003)

Draft Agenda of the meeting (as of 19 august 03)

<u>3 September, Wednesday</u>	
09.00 – 09.30	Registration of participants
09.30 – 10.15	Opening Ceremony Interventions: Mr. Anders B. Johnsson, Inter-Parliamentary Union Secretary General Mr. H.A. Diallo, CCD Executive Secretary Dr. Ricardo Alarcon de Quesada, President of the National Assembly of Cuba
10.15 – 11.00	Election of the Bureau of the Round Table Intervention of Mr. Lennart Båge, President of IFAD
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 – 12.30	<u>Theme 1:</u> <i>The role of Parliamentarians in promoting the effective elaboration and implementation of policies to address desertification and eradicate poverty, especially in the light of the Monterrey Consensus and the recommendations of the World Summit on Sustainable Development</i> - Facilitator: Professor Uwe Holz (University of Bonn) Debate
12.30 – 15.00	Lunch break
15.00 – 16.30	Resuming of theme 1 session: debate
16.30 – 18.00	<u>Theme 2:</u> <i>Support for the Members of Parliament at the national level to ensure the elaboration and adoption of pertinent national legislation to facilitate the effective implementation of sustainable development measures within the framework of the Millennium Declaration goals</i> Debate and end of the session



20.00 – 21.30	Cocktail on the courtesy on the National Assembly of Cuba Restaurant Bucan
----------------------	---

<u>4 September, Thursday</u>	
09.30 – 11.00	<u>Theme 3:</u> <i>Initiatives by Members of Parliament to seek the full support of the GEF in the implementation of the UNCCD</i> Debate
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee break
11.30 – 12.30	Presentation of the draft of Parliamentary Declaration Debate
12.30 – 15.00	Lunch break
15.00 – 16.00	Approval of Parliamentary Declaration
16.00 – 17.00	Closing session Statement by the UNCCD Executive Secretary Closing remarks by the President of the National Assembly of Cuba