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Public Consultation on United Nations Post-2015 Development Agenda

San Diego, California – November 11, 2014 – The San Diego Chapter of the United Nations Association proudly hosts its Civic (Public) Consultation on the United Nations' Post-2015 Agenda that seeks to engage the public on global issues: inequalities, health, education and environmental sustainability. San Diego is one of thirty-three cities in the United States to host the Public Consultation in addition to countless other cities around the world who are asked by the United Nations to conduct similar events.

This major civil society gathering is the first of its kind in San Diego offering a platform for local civil society, private sector, academia and activists to provide input and engage on development issues that most impact our lives. The conference will provide an opportunity to ensure that the views and contributions of our local civil society feed into the United Nations' *Post-2015 Agenda* and subsequent global framework which will be finalized in September 2015 at the UN in New York City.

During the conference, participants learn about the United Nations' eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) with its respective seventeen *Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)*. Four (4) thematic breakout sessions enable individuals to discuss their views on policy frameworks and inclusion specifically related to: **Health** with Facilitator **Dr. Anita Raj**; **Education** with Facilitator **Dr. Alan J. Daly**; **Environmental Sustainability** with Facilitator **Cindy Greatrex** and **Sustainable Solutions – The Role of Women** with Facilitator **Kim Langbecker**.

We proudly welcome our **distinguished guests**, **Megan M. Mattson** from the U.S. State Department, D.C. | Office of Public Affairs and **Fauzia S. Assifi**, Former Program Manager | Afghanistan National Development Strategy Program. From the City of San Diego, we expect Congressman, Scott Peters for a welcome note.

The discussions and findings resulting from the conference will be compiled in a comprehensive report, comprised of our shared recommendations, and put forward to the U.S. Department and the U.S. Mission to the United Nations for consideration in finalizing the 2015-Agenda in September 2015 at the United Nations General Assembly.

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About UNA-USA San Diego

As a program of the UN Foundation, UNA-USA San Diego is the local Ambassador to and for the United Nations. With its prestigious consultative status to the United Nations, UNA-USA San Diego links the local community with the United Nations and vice versa since 1999. As a center of Policy Research, the organization is expanding on the understanding of global issues through advocacy and mobilization for actions to influence legislation in supporting the principles and vital work of the United Nations. UNA-USA San Diego actively engages partners and stakeholders locally since 1946.