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**Preparatory meeting on the Millennium Development Goals Electronic Center (MDG eCenter)  
1-2 September 2010**

United Nations Headquarters New York - Temporary North Lawn Building

**INFORMATION NOTE**

The Preparatory meeting will be held in the United Nations Headquarters in New York on **1 September 2010** from **10:00 am to 5:45 pm** (**Conference room 3** of the **Temporary North Lawn Building**), and on **2 September 2010** from **10:00 am to 1:00 pm** (**Conference room 7** of the same building).

**Purpose of the Meeting**

The principal objective of the meeting is to finalize, through an interactive discussion and exchange of ideas and suggestions among high-level representatives of all relevant stakeholders, the design and features of the ICT for MDG Project (the MDG eCenter) in preparation for a presentation of a working prototype version to Member States and other stakeholders in the context of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly on 21 September 2010.

**Logistics**

The PrepCom Meeting on **1-2 September 2010** will be held in the United Nations Temporary North Lawn Building (TNLB).

**Registration** will start at **9.00 am** in the lobby of the General Assembly Building. Please come to the United Nations Visitors' Entrance located on First Avenue at 46th Street. UNGAID staff will be at the gate to assist you. Please be advised that UN Security will not allow persons who are not on the participant list to enter the UN Headquarters complex.

The participants will then proceed to the "Security tent" for a security check. Please allow for at least 15 minutes for this procedure. Due to security restrictions, you will also be requested to check in suitcases and large carry-on bags.

Registration tables will be located in the General Assembly building lobby. UN grounds passes will be issued upon presentation of valid photo identification. Participants are required to wear these passes at all times while in the UN building. **Please note that passes can only be issued to those who have confirmed their participation to the GAID Secretariat.**

There will be ushers in the GA lobby to escort you to the conference room. The meeting is scheduled to begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. so please arrive 15-25 minutes early to allocate time to go through the security process.

Please note that to enter the UN building after leaving the UN premises, you will need to go through the security check point again. However, re-registration is not necessary.

### **Hotel Accommodations**

The most convenient accommodation for this meeting is the Millennium UN Plaza Hotel, which is located at 1 United Nations Plaza, 44th Street, New York, NY 10017. Participants are responsible to make their own reservation (see below a list of Hotels).

### **Additional Information**

If you need any additional information feel free to contact the GAID Secretariat, at (+1)-212- 963-5796 or via e-mail at: [gaid@un.org](mailto:gaid@un.org).

We look forward to greeting you at this event.

**LIST OF HOTELS NEAR THE UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS**

*(last updated: 17 August 2010)*

*Please note the availability of rooms is **extremely limited**. Prices quoted above are also subject to change and do not include taxes.*

|    | <b>Hotel<br/>(Street Address)</b>  | <b>Phone</b>   | <b>Aug 31 – Sept 3<br/>US\$(*)</b>                                     |
|----|--|----------------|--|
| 1  | ACCOR Hotels (Novotel)<br>(226 West 52nd Street)   | (212) 315-0100 | \$189.00   |
| 2  | AFFINIA 50<br>(155 East 50th Street)   | (212) 751-5710 | \$342.00   |
| 3  | AFFINIA GARDENS<br>(215 East 64th Street)  | (212) 355-1230 | \$329.00   |
| 4  | BEEKMAN TOWER<br>(3 Mitchell Place)  | (212) 355-7300 | \$259.00   |
| 5  | The BENJAMIN<br>(125 East 50th Street)   | (212) 715-2500 | \$299.00-\$309.00  |
| 6  | DOUBLETREE METROPOLITAN<br>(569 Lexington Avenue)  | (212) 752-7000 | \$339.00   |
| 7  | EASTGATE TOWER Hotel<br>(222 East 39th Street)   | (212) 687-8000 | \$179.00   |
| 8  | FITZPATRICK GRAND CENTRAL<br>(141 East 44th Street)                                      | (212) 203-0860 | \$309.00-\$379.00  |
| 9  | GRAND HYATT<br>(42nd Street / Park Avenue)   | (212) 883-1234 | \$339.00   |
| 10 | HELMSLEY PARK LANE<br>(36 Central Park South)  | (212) 521-6239 | \$350.00   |
| 11 | MILLENIUM UN PLAZA HOTEL<br>(1 UN Plaza, 44th Street between<br>First and Second Avenue) | (212) 758-1234 | Tentatively sold<br>out (if you wish,<br>contact for<br>cancellations) |
| 12 | The NEW YORK HELMSLEY<br>(212 East 42nd Street)  | (212) 490-8900 | \$230.00 (UN<br>Rate)  |
| 13 | PICKWICK ARMS<br>(230 East 51st Street)  | (212) 355-0300 | \$199.00-\$249.00  |

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| 14 | RADISSON LEXINGTON<br>(511 Lexington Avenue)   | (212) 755-4400 | \$299.00-\$359.00 |
| 15 | ROGER SMITH<br>(501 Lexington Avenue)  | (212) 755-1400 | \$229.00          |
| 16 | SHELBURNE MURRAY HILL<br>(303 Lexington Avenue between 37 <sup>th</sup> and<br>38 <sup>th</sup> St.) | (212) 689-5200 | \$249.00-\$299.00 |
| 17 | Hilton Manhattan East<br>(304 East 42nd Street)  | (212) 297-3558 |                   |
| 18 | Pod hotel<br>(230 East 51st.)  | (212) 355-0300 | \$129.00-\$249.00 |
| 19 | The Alex<br>(205 East 45 <sup>th</sup> Street)   | (212) 867-5100 | \$350.00-\$790.00 |
| 20 | The Library Hotel<br>(299 Madison Avenue at 41st Street)   | (212) 983-4500 | \$345.00-\$599.00 |

**Additional Available Hotels Outside of the Vicinity of the United Nations  
For General Assembly Dates (Sept 19 – 22)**

*(Reserve via [Expedia.com](https://www.expedia.com) to receive rates below)*

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|   | Hotel<br>(Street Address)                                     | Phone          | Sept 19 – 22<br>US\$(*) |
|---|---|----------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Washington Jefferson Hotel<br>(318 West 51st Street)          | (212) 246-7550 | \$365.00-\$550.00       |
| 2 | Paramount Hotel Times Square<br>(235 West 46th Street)        | (212) 764-5500 | \$452.00                |
| 3 | The Muse New York – a Kimpton Hotel<br>(130 West 46th Street) | (212) 485-2400 | \$409.00                |
| 4 | Salisbury Hotel<br>123 West 57 <sup>TH</sup> Street           | (212) 246-1300 | \$298.00                |
| 5 | The New Yorker Hotel<br>(481 Eighth Avenue)                   | (212) 971-0101 | \$382.00                |
| 6 | St. James Hotel – Times Square<br>(109 West 45th Street)      | (212) 730-9444 | \$250.00                |

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| 7  | The Belvedere Hotel<br>(319 West 48th Street)                                 | (212) 245-7000 | \$401.00 |
| 8  | W New York Times Square<br>(1567 Broadway at 47 <sup>th</sup> Street)         | (212) 930-7400 | \$482.00 |
| 9  | Hotel Pennsylvania<br>(401 7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue at 33 <sup>rd</sup> Street) | (212) 736-5000 | \$296.00 |
| 10 | Hilton Garden Inn New York/Chelsea<br>(121 West 28th Street)                  | (212) 564-2181 | \$299.00 |