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**Sustainable Buildings and Energy: the Post-2015 Agenda** 

## Friday 17 October 2014

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Part 1: Urban Growth and Responsible Electrical Power

Coffee break

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Part 2: Sustainable Electricity and Building Infrastructure: The European Experience

Followed by a reception sponsored by Ingersoll Rand plc. and Praxis, Inc.

Room XIV - Kazakh Room Palais des Nations, A Building, 1st floor Access: Door 17

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The world is seeking a global transition in the generation, transmission, use and conservation of electrical power -- the largest portion of which is consumed by buildings and which is a major source of greenhouse gas emissions. Leading nations have redoubled efforts on emissions, new

international negotiations on emissions are scheduled, and UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon has declared 2014 The Year for Climate Action. The climate-electricity linkage will be at the center of the global dialogue, and a primary challenge will be the ongoing global population shift toward energy/emission intense urban centers.

The panel discussion will explore new opportunities for more environmentally responsible electrical power through innovation in urban building infrastructure and Europe's leadership in design and deployment of building and electricity innovation. The second part of this discussion on: Sustainable Electricity and Building Infrastructure is in preparation for a 2015 Praxis Sustainable Futures symposium in Brussels on Europe's contribution to the global sustainable infrastructure dialogue.



**Didier Teirlinck**, Executive Vice President, Climate Strategic Business Units at Ingersoll Rand

## **Panelists:**

**H.E. Ms. Nazhat Shameem Khan**, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Fiji to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

**Ricardo Melendez-Ortiz**, Chief Executive Officer, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development

**Jaap Hogeling**, Manager, International Projects and Standards, ISSO (Netherlands) **Jens Lausten**, Owner & Director, 2Peach

**Daniel Favrat**, Manager of Technologies, Energy Center, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology of Lausanne (EPFL)

**Matthew Lynch**, Director, Sustainable Cities, World Business Council for Sustainable Development

**Scott Foster**, Director, Sustainable Energy Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

**Virginia Cram-Martos**, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, United Nations Commission for Europe