

GUIDELINES FOR COURSE PROPOSALS

The Commission on Sustainable Development will hold its fourteenth session (CSD-14) from 1 to 12 May 2006 at UN Headquarters in New York. As in previous sessions, the official programme of CSD-14 will include the **Learning Centre** which constitutes a series of 3-hour courses (with some time allotted to questions and answers) focused on the **specific themes** of the session, as well as on some of the cross-sectoral issues. The CSD-14 themes are: energy for sustainable development, air pollution/atmosphere, climate change and industrial development. Typical **cross-sectoral issues** in the past have related to financing, national sustainable development strategies and sustainable development law.

Courses are held in parallel to the CSD plenary sessions with the exception of the Opening session and the three days of the high-level segment. Instructors are usually experts from universities and organizations with hands-on expertise in the course subject.

The number of courses for the Learning Centre during CSD-14 will be limited to 13. Final decisions will be made by a Selection Committee, in close consultation with the CSD-14 Bureau, on the basis of the quality and relevance of the proposals that are received prior to the deadline.

Please note that the deadline for proposals (16 January 2006) has now passed.