Programme

09:00    Assembly of guests

09:05    Screening of video-spot and video-message of the UN Secretary-General
         Mr Ban Ki-moon

09:15    Opening address by the Director-General of FAO

09:30    Address by His Excellency Massimo D’Alema (Deputy Prime Minister and
         Minister for Foreign Affairs, Italy)

09:40    Speech by Prof. Senator Rita Levi-Montalcini (FAO Goodwill Ambassador,
         Nobel Prize Laureate and President of the Levi-Montalcini Foundation)

09:50    Address by His Excellency Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone (Secretary of State of the
         Holy See, speaking on behalf of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI)

10:00    Address by His Royal Highness Willem-Alexander, Prince of Orange (Chair,
         UN Secretary-General’s Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation)

10:10    Address by Her Excellency Maria Mutagamba (Minister for Water and the
         Environment, Uganda, and Chair of the African Ministers’ Council on Water,
         AMCW)

10:20    Pre-recorded video message by Mr Louis Michel (European Commissioner for
         Development and Humanitarian Aid)

10:40    Address by His Excellency Paolo De Castro (Minister for Agriculture, Food
         and Forestry, Italy)

10:50    Address by His Excellency Alfonso Pecoraro-Scanio (Minister for Environment
         and Preservation of the Territory, Italy)

11:00    Address by Mr Walter Veltroni (Mayor of Rome)

11:10    Pre-recorded video message by Mr M. Gorbaciov (President Green Cross
         International)

11:20    Video of musical performance (Children’s Choir of Antoniano, Bologna)

11:35    Closure

11:30 - 12:30 FAO staff will be available for a Press Conference