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United Nations Secretary-General Appoints 27 Global Leaders to Address Child Hunger

On April 10, United Nations (UN) Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon appointed 27 global leaders from across the public and private sectors, donor organizations, civil society, and the international development community to a high-level working group tasked with addressing child undernutrition in the world's poorest countries. This series of appointments is a milestone in the global [Scaling Up Nutrition \(SUN\) Movement](#), which is helping countries achieve long-term reduction in undernutrition and realize the first Millennium Development Goal to halve poverty and hunger by the year 2015.

"Never before have so many leaders, from so many countries and fields, agreed to work together to improve nutrition," the Secretary-General said. "The Scaling Up Nutrition Movement gives all of us, including the UN, an opportunity to support countries in their efforts to end hunger and malnutrition."

The new working group includes Heads of State from countries that have prioritized efforts to scale up nutrition (including four Feed the Future focus countries - [Mozambique](#), [Tanzania](#), [Bangladesh](#), and [Nepal](#)); civil society leaders such as Tom Arnold, CEO of Concern Worldwide; development agency leaders such as USAID Administrator Rajiv Shah; business executives such as Paul Polman, CEO of Unilever; international organization representatives such as Ambassador Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director of the World Food Programme; and donor organization leaders such as Chris Elias, President for Global Development at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The diverse group of stakeholders makes a two-year commitment to work together to improve the nutrition of the world's poorest and most vulnerable children.

[Read the press release](#) or [view a full list of the working group participants](#).