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Mirjam Kaplow of Germany Joins UNU as Head of Communications

Will Lead New Combined New York–Tokyo Communications Office

The United Nations University (UNU) is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Mirjam Kaplow as UNU Head of Communications. Ms. Kaplow took up the post, which is based at the UNU office at the United Nations in New York, in September 2012.

Head of Communications is a new post, created by UNU Rector Konrad Osterwalder to coordinate and energize the University's communications worldwide, and to help raise the profile of UNU, particularly within the United Nations system. In this role, Ms. Kaplow leads a restructured global UNU Office of Communications comprising teams in the UNU Office in New York and in UNU Headquarters in Tokyo, as well as coordinate and integrate the work of the communications staff in UNU institutes worldwide.

Prior to joining UNU, Ms. Kaplow had served for ten years (2001–2011) as Head of Corporate Communications at the Fraunhofer Institute for Computer Architecture and Software Technology (Berlin). Her previous experience included working in the publishing industry and as a freelancer and then press officer with Technische Universität Berlin (Technical University Berlin). She also has worked as a lecturer and consultant in research communications.

"I'm very happy to start with UNU", said Ms. Kaplow. "It will be a pleasure to coordinate UNU's communication activities worldwide and act as translator for its research output and capacity building activities."

Ms. Kaplow holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Cologne and an MA degree from Technical University Berlin.

In 2008, she received honorable mention in the Noninteractive Multimedia category of the International Science and Engineering Visualization Challenge conducted by Science Magazine and the National Science Foundation (USA), and in 2009 she received the Fraunhofer Public Relations Prize.

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