Yacoub El Hillo: Resident Representative

United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon announced the appointment of Yacoub El Hillo of Sudan as Deputy Special Representative in the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) on 27th June 2016. He serves as the United Nations Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Mr. El Hillo succeeds Antonio Vigilante of Italy, who concluded his assignment on 15 June 2016. Mr. El Hillo brings to the position a wealth of experience in the field and at United Nations Headquarters. Since August 2013, he has served as the United Nations Resident Coordinator, Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in the Syrian Arab Republic, based in Damascus. Prior to his assignment in Syria, he served as the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Director for the Middle East and North Africa in Geneva, a position he held since November 2010.