

## **UN SECRETARY-GENERAL APPOINTS VITALY VANSHELBOIM OF UKRAINE TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNOPS**

UNOPS is pleased to announce that the United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has, effective 14 January 2010, appointed Vitaly Vanshelboim of Ukraine to the rank of Assistant Secretary-General.

Vitaly Vanshelboim has enjoyed a distinguished career within the United Nations system over the past 17 years. In all his postings he has excelled in advancing the agenda of innovation, change management and reform. Mr. Vanshelboim joined UNOPS on 1 July 2006 and will continue to serve the organization in the capacity of Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer.

Previously Mr. Vanshelboim served in various senior roles with UNDP, including Director of the Office of Administration and Security (2005-2006) and Director of Staff Administrative Services (2001-2005). Prior to this he worked with the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina as Deputy Director of Resources (1997-2001) and with the United Nations Office in Ukraine in several posts (1992-1997), the last being that of UNDP Deputy Representative. Before his UN career, Mr. Vanshelboim served in various capacities in the state and private sector.

Mr. Vanshelboim graduated in 1990 from the National University of Economics (Kyiv, Ukraine) majoring in accounting, audit and financial analysis. Born in Chelyabinsk, ex-Soviet Union (now Russia) in December 1969, Vitaly is married to Olena and has two sons, Alain (15) and Eric (8).