

**2021 ECOSOC Partnership Forum**  
***“Partnerships as Game Changer for a Sustainable Recovery from COVID-19”***

Monday, 3 May 2021, Virtual meeting  
9:00 – 11:00 am

**Programme**

**Opening**

**9:00–9:30 am**

**Welcoming Remarks**

- H. E. Mr. Munir Akram, President of ECOSOC
- Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant-Secretary-General for Strategic Coordination with the Executive Office of the Secretary-General

**Keynote Speaker**

- Mr. Jens Wandel, Under Secretary-General of the United Nations, Special Advisor to the UN Secretary-General on Reforms, and Secretary-General’s Designate for the COVID19 Recover Better Fund

**Panel Discussion**

**9:30 – 10:15 am**

- Ms. Anousheh Karvar, Delegate of the French Government to the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization and Chair of SDG Alliance 8.7 (Global Partnership on Eliminating Child Labour)
- Mr. Richard Hatchett, Chief Executive Officer of the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations
- Mr. Markus Hottenrott, Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer of Morgan Stanley Infrastructure Partners
- Ms. Charlotte Arribe, Representative of the Citypreneurs (Urban Innovation Challenge Competition)

**Moderator:** Ms. Christy Davis, Executive Director of the Lien Centre for Social Innovation, Singapore Management University

**Focus Questions**

- *“How can multi-stakeholder partnerships support recovery from COVID-19, including by boosting sustainable investment, reviving economies and livelihoods and harnessing science, technology and innovation in support of sustainable development?”*
- *“How can multi-stakeholder partnerships be mobilised to help reverse the increase in extreme poverty and to enhance social protection, including social protection floors and support universal access to health care?”*

- *“How can the scientific and technological communities help accelerate systemic changes and promote equal access and right to development for all? How can we incentivize the private sector to use enabling technologies for building more resilient, inclusive societies and what are the related challenges?”*

**10:15 - 10:45 am** **Q & A**

## **Closing**

**10:45 - 11:00 am** **Closing Remarks**

- Mr. Liu Zhenmin, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
- Ms. Sanda Ojiambo, Executive Director of the United Nations Global Compact
- H. E. Mr. Munir Akram, President of ECOSOC