

Agenda for 2021 HLPF Thematic Review Expert Group Meetings

Day 1: 18 May 2019	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	<p>Opening Panel</p> <p>This panel will provide a welcome and overview of the three-day EGM series. Speakers will situate the EGM in the context of thematic preparations for the 2021 High-level Political Forum, the COVID-19 crisis and recovery, and the Decade of Action and Delivery on the SDGs.</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <p>H.E. Mr. Juan Sandoval Mendiolea, Vice President of ECOSOC, Deputy Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations</p> <p>Ms. Marion Barthélemy, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations</p> <p>Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Officer-in-Charge, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, Officer-in-Charge, UN Forum on Forests Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations</p>
8:30 AM – 8:45 AM	Break
8:45 AM – 10:15 AM	<p>Session 2: Progress, challenges and opportunities (In-focus SDGs 1, 2, 8) (parallel sessions)</p> <p><i>Parallel Session 2a: SDG 1</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 1, end poverty in all its forms everywhere reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2017.</p> <p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> UNDP and UNDESA</p> <hr/> <p><i>Parallel Session 2b: SDG 2</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 2, end hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2017.</p> <p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> FAO, IFAD, WFP and UNDESA</p> <hr/> <p><i>Parallel Session 2c: SDG 8</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 8, promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2019.</p>

	<p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> ILO and UNDESA</p>
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Day 2: 19 May 2021

<p>8:00 AM – 9:30 AM</p>	<p>Session 3: Progress, challenges and opportunities (In-focus SDGs 3, 10, 12, 13, 16) (parallel sessions)</p>
	<p><i>Parallel Session 3a: SDG 3</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 3, Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2017.</p> <p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> UNFPA, WHO and UNDESA</p>
	<p><i>Parallel Session 3b: SDG 10</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 10, reduce inequality within and among countries reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2019.</p> <p><i>Lead of session:</i> UNDESA</p>
	<p><i>Parallel Session 3c: SDG 12</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 12, ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2018.</p> <p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> UNEP, UNIDO and UNDESA</p>
	<p><i>Session 3d: SDG 13</i></p> <p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 13, take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2019.</p> <p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> UNDRR and UNDESA</p> <p><i>Session 3d: SDG 16</i></p>

	<p>This session will bring together a multi-stakeholder group of experts to assess progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving SDG 16, promote just, peaceful and inclusive societies reflecting on changes since the SDG was last reviewed in 2019.</p> <p><i>Co-leads of session:</i> UNODC, the Office of the SRSG on Violence Against Children and UNDESA</p>
<p>9:30 AM – 9:45 AM</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>9:45 AM – 11:15 AM</p>	<p>Session 4: Cross cutting session on SDGs 1, 2, 8, 17 and interlinkages among those goals and with other SDGs</p> <p>This session will bring together all experts to discuss how we get on track to end poverty and hunger and transform towards inclusive and sustainable economies.</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Ms. Astra Bonini, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)</p> <p><i>Reporting back on key messages from in-focus sessions:</i> Ms. Renata Rubian, Policy Advisor, Inclusive Growth, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</p> <p>Mr. Moise Bello, External Partnerships Officer, Division for the UN System and Multilateral Engagement, World Food Programme (WFP)</p> <p><i>Reporting back and sharing cross-cutting insights:</i> Ms. Paola Simonetti, Deputy Director of Economic and Social Policy, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)</p> <p>Mr. Matthias Thorns, Deputy Secretary-General, International Organization of Employers (IOE)</p> <p><i>Panel – Cross cutting approaches to SDGs 1, 2, 8, and 17:</i> Ms. Martha Chen, Lecturer in Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School, Affiliated Professor, Harvard Graduate School of Design, Senior Advisor, WIEGO Network</p> <p>Mr. Maximo Torero, Chief Economist of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)</p> <p><i>Guiding questions:</i> How can increasing poverty and hunger be tackled while transforming economies and food systems towards increased resilience and lowered climate/environmental impacts? How can economic recoveries be shaped to ensure more inclusive and sustainable patterns of growth that generate decent jobs and support carbon-neutrality and a better balance with nature? How can food systems be transformed to deliver better nutrition for all, while improving their balance with nature? What are the opportunities to be realized (and pitfalls to be avoided) in the immediate and medium terms towards these ends? How can international cooperation support? What are some ways to create fiscal space to combat poverty and hunger and respond to the COVID-19 crisis in ways that enable more inclusive, equitable, resilient and sustainable development?</p>

Day 3: 20 May 2021

8:00 AM – 9:30 AM	<p>Session 5: Cross cutting session on SDGs 12, 13, 17 and interlinkages among those goals and with other SDGs</p> <p>This session will bring together all experts to discuss how to revamp and transform consumption and production and address and mitigate climate change.</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Ms. Stephanie Rambler, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)</p> <p><i>Reporting back on key messages from in-focus sessions:</i> Mr. Edward Clarence Smith, independent expert, reporting on SDG 12 Dr. Tabi Joda, Executive Director of GreenAid and Lead of One Billion Trees for Africa, on SDG 13.</p> <p><i>Stage setting - Cross cutting approaches to SDGs 12, 13 and 17:</i> Ms. Kobie Brand, Chief Executive Officer and Regional Director, ICLEI Africa</p> <p><i>Guiding questions:</i> What broad-based transformations are needed in consumption and production systems to arrest climate change and rebalance the relationship between human society and nature? How can transformations towards carbon neutrality also promote sustainable consumption and production? How should these transformations also ensure that no one is left behind? What are the opportunities to be realized (and pitfalls to be avoided) in the immediate and medium terms towards these ends? How can international cooperation support?</p>
9:30 AM – 9:45 AM	Break
9:45 AM – 11:15 AM	<p>Session 6: Cross cutting session on SDGs 3, 10, 16, 17 and interlinkages among those goals and with other SDGs</p> <p>This session will bring together all experts to discuss how to get on track for building more peaceful, equal and inclusive societies.</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Shantanu Mukherjee, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)</p> <p><i>Reporting back on key messages from in-focus sessions:</i> Ms. Lucy Fagan, SDG 3 focal point for the Major Group for Children and Youth Mr. Gilberto Duarte Santos, Programme Management Officer, Strategic Planning and Inter-Agency Affairs Unit, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime</p> <p><i>Panel - Cross cutting approaches to SDGs 3, 10, 16 and 17:</i></p>

Ms. Najat Maalla M'jid, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children

Ms. Liv Torres, Director, Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, Associate Director, NYU Center on International Cooperation

Mr. Enrique Restoy, Head of Evidence, Frontline AIDS

Mr. Gerald Abila, Attorney and Founder, Barefoot Law

Ms. Lynrose Jane D. Genon, Member of the Executive Council of Young Women+ Leaders for Peace

Lead Discussant:

Mr. Kartik Sharma, Chief, Office of the Director General, Chief, Strategy and Policy Planning, International Development Law Organization

Guiding questions:

What has the pandemic revealed about how deep-seated inequalities determine lifetime opportunities and outcomes including in good health and well-being?

Has the pandemic introduced new forms of inequality within and across countries that now also need to be addressed?

How can countries make effective and enduring changes towards more equitable, inclusive and just societies?

What are the opportunities to be realized (and pitfalls to be avoided) in the immediate and medium terms towards these ends? How can international cooperation support?