#### SDG 16+ Coalition Submission to SDGs Learning, Training & Research 2021

**Requesting Organization** \* Government of Costa Rica, Government of Cabo Verde **Website of Organization** \* Government of Costa Rica (<a href="https://www.presidencia.go.cr/">https://www.presidencia.go.cr/</a>) and Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<a href="https://rree.go.cr/">https://rree.go.cr/</a>) Government of Cabo Verde (<a href="www.governo.cv">www.governo.cv</a>) and Ministry of Finance (<a href="www.mf.gov.cv">www.mf.gov.cv</a>).

Country where the organization is based \*Costa Rica and Cabo Verde Please, indicate if the organization works National

### Sector \*

# Government

**UN** entity

International Organization

Academic or Scientific Institution

Civil society Organization

Local or Regional Government

Private sector

Philanthropic Organization

Other:

Partners (if applicable)

Please, indicate if other organizations will contribute to the development and delivery of the learning session. **YES** 

**Title of the proposed workshop (Max: 100 Characters)** \* Mainstreaming SDG 16+ in VNRs and National Development Planning

# To which SDGs is your proposed workshop connected with? \*

Please, select up to 3 SDGs.

SDG 1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere.

SDG 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.

SDG 3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

SDG 8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

SDG 10: Reduce inequality within and among countries.

SDG 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.

SDG 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

SDG 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

SDG 17: Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.

My proposal covers all SDGs

Other:

Brief description of the course proposal (including topics to be covered) - (Max 600 characters) \* The selection of the courses will be based on the quality of proposals, relevance to the HLPF theme and focus of the 2021 SDG Learning, Training and Practice priorities (as indicated above), the expertise of the organizers, and willingness to produce the desired output.

The course will focus on SDG16+ implementation and reporting and its centrality to ensure no one is left behind. Even more clear now is how central SDG 16+ is in resilient recovery from COVID 19. Through this course organizations will demonstrate how monitoring and mainstreaming SDG 16 will more effectively bring together a cross-section of national actors to review commitments and assess national progress across all 17 Goals and accelerate the 2030 Agenda. The SDG 16+ resources and initiatives presented will offer practical ways on building an inclusive and effective path forward.

# Key Objectives of the learning session (Max 600 Characters) \*

In the midst of a once-in-a-generation crisis, the road to a resilient and sustainable recovery requires increased political leadership and acceleration in action on peace, justice, and inclusion (SDG16+). The session will focus on SDG16+ implementation and reporting, highlighting best practices from Cabo Verde and Costa Rica, examine research on gender, justice and migration as well as showcase opportunities to strengthen data collection and scale innovation. It will also demonstrate how VNR reporting on SDG16+ can inform national planning and foster inclusive partnerships in a whole of society approach, deepening interlinkages across the 2030 Agenda and future cooperation.

# Potential Panelists/Trainers (Max 500 Characters) Please, indicate if there are specific panelists already identified to deliver the training session.

Yes, all are confirmed to participate: Government of Costa Rica, Government of Cabo Verde/Ministry of Finance, Transparency, Accountability and Partnerships Network; Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding, The Global Alliance for Reporting Progress on Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies; Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies; UNDP; Center for Migration, Gender and Justice; and the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI), SDG 16 Data Monitoring Initiative (IntIDEA)

Please, describe how the proposed workshop is aligned with the main theme of the 2021 HLPF: "Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that promotes the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development: building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development" \* Please, provide concrete examples of how the learning session will be addressing the impacts of COVID-19 and share concrete knowledge to support the path towards a sustainable and resilient recovery, in line with the 2030 Agenda

SDG16+ provides a framework on how countries can tackle rising inequality, ensure just climate transition, provide decent work & fair economic growth - all goals currently under review. It is also in line with the current HLPF theme by focusing on resilient recovery - with SDG 16+ at the heart of global efforts. We will highlight innovations on how member states and civil society have engaged in SDG 16+ implementation and reporting processes such as the VNR, examining support to those furthest left behind, with focus on women and migrants, during the restrictions of COVID 19. Presenters will also look at ways of reporting on and implementing SDG 16+ related to the impact the pandemic and explore current research and experiences from Government of Costa Rica and Cabo Verde as well as SDG 16+ or national partners to develop SDG 16+ indicators, map & collect required data with links to respond to COVID 19.

Training Methodology (panel discussion/technical briefing/ presentation of case studies/ workshop with practical exercises) - (Max 700 characters) \* Please, indicate the proposed format for the session. The 2021 SDGs Learning, Training and Practice Special Event session will be held in a virtual format via an online meetings platform. However, conditions permitting, the organizers will explore the possibility of hosting a few sessions at the UN Headquarters, in New York. Ten learning sessions will be organized with 1.5-hour long each.

The virtual course will provide a technical briefing on the resource presented. We will use polling, mentimeter, interactive QNA portion and presentation of case studies. The thematic areas covered include: quality reporting at national & local level; innovation and how SDG 16+ data platforms can be utilized by governments; how to enable wider inclusion of non-state actors and non-official data in SDG 16+ implementation and monitoring; the sharing on knowledge, experience and approaches; showcase examples of mainstreaming SDG 16+ in national development plans and highlighted in using the VNR; demonstrate ways to take a whole of society approach to SDG 16+ through stakeholder engagement with particular focus on women and migrants.

Additional information, including links to partner organizations and materials Please, add her links to relevant materials, including links to partner organizations or any additional information about the proposed learning session.

- 1. Government of Costa Rica, Host of 16+ Forum Annual Showcase
- 2. Government of Cabo Verde, Ministry of Finance
- 3. <u>Transparency, Accountability, Participation Network; SDG Accountability Handbook, Goal 16 Advocacy Toolkit; SDG16 in VNRs and Spotlight Reports</u>
- 4. The Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding, Reporting for the Future: Final Report Ready for Review 2019, Empowering Civil Society for National Reporting and Action on SDG 16+ Report
- 5. Global Alliance for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies Mainstreaming SDG 16. Using the VNR to Advance Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies; Guide to Report on SDG 16 in VNRs
- 6. Center for Migration, Gender, and Justice (CMGJ)
- 7. Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, The Roadmap for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies; Justice in the Pandemic Briefing 1 Briefing 2; The Movement to Halve Global Violence by 2030. A New Landscape of Cooperation in the time of COVID-19. Expert-level Virtual Workshop Report. Flagship Policies to Combat Inequality and Exclusion (Consultation Draft)
- 8. SDG 16 Data Initiative

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