



HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Leveraging interlinkages among the SDGs to realize the 2030 Agenda and build back better from COVID-19

*A side event building on the thematic Expert Group Meetings held in preparation
of the HLPF and taking stock of the 2022 review of the SDGs*

Monday, 11 July 2022, 1:00 – 2:30 pm (EDT / New York time)
Virtual, Zoom platform

Draft programme

1:00 – 1:10	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Representative of Italy, VNR 2022 Member State [TBC]• Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Director-in-Charge, Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG), UN DESA
1:10 – 1:40	Identifying the interlinkages and ensuring an integrated approach <p><i>Moderation of the event:</i></p> <p>Ms. Astra Bonini, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG), United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs</p> <p>A panel discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Stefanos Fotiou, Director of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization’s Office for the SDGs and Director of the UN Food Systems Coordination Hub• Ms. Cary Anne Cadman, Caribbean Blue Economy lead, World Bank• Mr. Mauricio Barahona, Professor, Department of Mathematics, Imperial College London• Ms. Jihyun Lee, Director, Science, Society and Sustainable Futures Division. Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity <p><i>Key questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- What are the most significant interlinkages – based on the most recent scientific thinking and evidence – among SDGs 4, 5, 14, 15 and 17 and the rest of the 2030 Agenda?- What are some practical ways in which policy makers and participants in multi-stakeholder partnerships can leverage these interlinkages for effective action?



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- What are the most fruitful areas in which data availability; science, technology and innovation; financing; and capacity development can be advanced for ensuring acceleration in a holistic way towards the SDGs?
1:40 – 2:00	<p>Taking stock of the HLPF discussions on SDGs in focus</p> <p>Lightning round from 5 experts reporting back from the HLPF sessions on SDGs in focus (3 minutes each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SDG 4 Mr. Angus Mackay, Director of the Division for Planet, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)• SDG 5 Ms. Salma Al Nims, Secretary-General of the Jordanian National commission for Women• SDG 14 Ms. Editrudith Lukanga, Vice-Chairperson of the International Steering Committee of the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture• SDG 15 Ms. Lucy Mullenkei, Indigenous Information Network• SDG 17 Ms. Moira V. Faul, Executive Director, NORRAG Network for international policies on education and development <p><i>Key questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- How were interlinkages addressed in the HLPF sessions on SDGs in focus?- What areas were well covered? What could have benefitted from added focus?
2:00 – 2:25	<p>Q&A session</p>
2:25 – 2:30	<p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Director-in-Charge, Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG), UN DESA