



**SDGs in
Practice**

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Opening segment

The Crucial Role of Training and Learning for Advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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11:00 AM – 01:00 PM (EDT)

Conference Room 11, UNHQ

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CONCEPT NOTE



**SPECIAL
EVENTS**



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Background

Innovative educational approaches, including the use of digital technologies and e-learning platforms, are crucial for making learning more accessible and impactful. Integrating sustainability education into curricula at all levels fosters a deeper understanding and commitment to sustainable development principles. Moreover, fostering collaboration and networking among SDG practitioners encourages the exchange of knowledge, best practices, and resources, thereby strengthening the collective capacity to address global challenges.

The SDG Learning, Training, and Practice (or SDGs in Practice) is a series of capacity-building and knowledge-learning sessions focused on essential topics related to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The series is held annually as a special event in the margins of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF).

In 2024, seven SDG in Practice sessions will be organized in the margins of HLPF, covering topics such as the Future of Education and Artificial Intelligence, Partnership Building and Multi-Stakeholder Engagement, Driving the national transformations we need: lessons from the Global Sustainable Development Report, Climate Change, Biodiversity Loss and Pollution, Data Collection and Analysis for SDG Monitoring, and Harnessing Citizen-Generated Data for SDG and VNR Monitoring and Evaluation. The SDGs in Practice training sessions are open to all interested parties and are organized by UN entities in collaboration with a range of partners and stakeholders.

The opening segment for the SDGs in Practice will be held in person, bringing together a range of experts involved in the fulfillment of the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda, focusing on the overarching topic of *“The crucial role of training and learning for advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”*.

Programme

Time	Sessions
11:00 AM – 11:20 AM	Welcome remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Lotta Tahtinen, Chief, Outreach and Partnerships Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, United Nations Department of Economic and Social AffairsMr. Marco A. Suazo, Head of Office, UNITAR New York

11:20 AM – 11:50 AM	Keynote lecture by Dr. Yasar Jarrar, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, International Advisory Group (IAG)
11:50 AM – 12:50 PM	<p>Panel Discussion: The crucial role of training and learning for advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development</p> <p><u>Moderated by</u> Mr. Nikhil Seth, UNITAR Executive Director and Assistant Secretary General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Kamal Amakrane, Climate Envoy of the President of the UN General Assembly • Ms. Natalia Urzola Guitierrez, Chief Operating Officer at the Global Network for Human Rights and the Environment • Ms. Yongyi Min, Chief of the SDG Monitoring Section of the UN Statistics Division • Ms. Aashna Aggarwal, Strategic Alliance Associate, Scale Microgrids
12:50 PM – 01:00 PM	Closing

More information

For more information, please visit: <https://sdgs.un.org/2024/SDGsinPractice>

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