High-level political forum on sustainable development (HLPF)

HLPF has a “central role in overseeing a network of follow-up and review processes at the global level”
(2030 Agenda paragraph 82)

Forum is also expected to:
✓ enhance the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development
✓ provide political leadership, guidance and recommendations on implementation and follow-up
✓ address new and emerging issues
2017 HLPF in numbers

* Thematic reviews of progress on the SDGs including cross-cutting issues – in line with GA resolution 70/1

* Voluntary national reviews (VNRs) - regular reviews, in line with GA resolutions 67/290, 70/1 and 70/299
2018 High-Level Political Forum

• The 2018 session will take place in July at UN Headquarters in New York
• The theme is “Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies”
• 48 countries will present their voluntary national reviews
• The set of goals for the in-depth review on progress:

   6. Clean Water and Sanitation
   7. Affordable and Clean Energy
   11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
   12. Responsible Consumption and Production
   15. Life on Land
Preparing for 2018 HLPF...

- Expert Group Meetings (EGM) provide recommendations to inform HLPF
  - EGM on **interlinkages**, 25-26 January, New York
  - **SDG 6**, EGM in conjunction with the Dushanbe Water Decade conference, 20-22 June 2018, Dushanbe
  - **SDG 7 Conference**, 21-23 February, Bangkok
  - **SDG 11**, Ninth Session of the World Urban Forum 7-13 February, DESA-DSD will host side event on HLPF
  - **SDG 12**, EGM, April 2018, New York
  - **SDG 15**, EGM first quarter of 2018, New York TBC
  - **STI Forum**, 5-6 June, New York

- Background briefs for each SDG will be posted on the HLPF website, [https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf/2018](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf/2018)
Regional Preparatory Meetings

- Regional Forums on Sustainable Development

**ECE**
1-2 March, Geneva

**ESCAP**
28-30 March, Bangkok

**ECLAC**
18-20 April, Santiago

**ESCWA**
24-26 April, TBC

**ECA**
TBC
HLPF voluntary national reviews (VNRs)

- **VNRs are state-led:**
  country driven reviews of progress at national and sub-national levels, involving ministerial and other relevant high-level participants, with relevant UN and other partners

- **Learning experience:**
  facilitate the sharing of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned, part of a process

- **National circumstances:**
  reviews in accordance with national circumstances, policies and priorities, together with relevant partners
Preparing for 2018 HLPF VNRs

GLOBAL PREP
4-5 Dec 2017
Geneva

COUNTRY ACTIVITIES
Dec - Mar

REGIONAL VNR PREP WORKSHOPS
(Mar-April)

MAIN MESSAGES
mid-May

COUNTRY ACTIVITIES
May - June
(finalise)

FINAL REPORTS
mid-June

GLOBAL PREP
July (TBC)
New York

HLPF
Ministerial Segment
July

COUNTRY ACTIVITIES
Apr-May
(draft)
Special events during HLPF

→ Higher Education Sustainability Initiative (HESI) Event, 11 July

→ SDG Learning, Training and Practice Capacity-Building Workshops, 9-13 July

→ Partnership Exchange, 13 July

→ Local and Regional Authorities Forum, 16 July

→ SDG Business Forum, 17 July

→ Meeting of Chief Sustainability Officers, 19 July

→ side events organized by governments, UN system and stakeholders
Thank you!

We look forward to your participation!
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