Second P4R Virtual Networking Days
12-16 October 2020

12 October 2020 - Opening webinar

15:00 – 16:30 (Berlin time, GMT+2) **9:00 – 10:30 (New York time, GMT-4)** **20:00 – 21:30 (Bangkok time, GMT+7)** **Check here your local time**	**Managing VNR processes in times of COVID-19: What can we learn for the future?** **Moderation**: **Viridiana González** (Ministry of Foreign Affairs Mexico) **Oli Henman** (Action for Sustainable Development) o **Welcoming of participants to the P4R Virtual Networking Days**: - **Ina von Frantzius**, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany - **Clemens Helbach**, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Germany - **Marion Barthélemy**, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs o **Panel discussion**: Lessons learned from the 2020 VNR processes and the 2020 HLPF - **Sabine Schneeberger**, Federal Chancellery, Austria - **Maureen Bakunzi**, Office of the Prime Minister, Uganda - **Simekinala Kaluzi**, Council For Non Governmental Organisations, Malawi - **Irena Zubcevic**, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development, UN DESA o **Ideas4Review**: Feedback and lessons learnt from the P4R Design Thinking Group - **Tarek Hassan**, GIZ - **Judith Kaulem**, Poverty Reduction Forum Trust, Zimbabwe - **Mustafa Khawaja**, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics o **Pitches by the moderators of the following webinars** **Question**: How did COVID-19 impact the 2020 VNR processes and the HLPF? **Outcome**: This opening webinar will look back at the 2020 VNR preparation processes as well as HLPF organisation amidst the pandemic and will highlight some good examples for solutions to common challenges.

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Check here your local time | **Incorporating the principle of 'leave no one behind' in planning and decision making**

Moderation: **Saionara König-Reis**, Danish Institute of Human Rights

Inputs:
- **Soumya Chattopadhyay**, Overseas Development Institute
- **Andreas Schaller**, Ministry of Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection, Austria
- **Annie Namala**, Wada Na Todo Abhiyan, India
- **Petronella Mukaindo**, Kenya National Commission on Human Rights

Question: The commitment to 'leave no one behind' is an integral cornerstone of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development. Since the beginning of SDGs and their monitoring and voluntary national reviews, how have governments integrated the LNOB commitment into their development programme design, practices, and VNRs? ODI has been monitoring and analysing this crucial aspect since 2017 in their annual LNOB Index across 159 countries.

Outcome: This webinar will discuss the findings of the 2020 LNOB Index, including interesting patterns but also some disconcerting results – both in terms of creating enabling conditions to meet this commitment (a measure of "readiness") as well as of outcomes that fulfil the commitment enshrined in the 2030 Agenda. It will also discuss how the experiences of participants from Austria, India and Kenya are concretely contributing to LNOB and in how far they connect to the LNOB Index.

Speakers will also be able to reflect on how the principle of LNOB can be and is being translated into policy design and action in national ministries, grass-roots community organisation and national human rights institutions, and how metrics such as the LNOB Index can help these efforts. We will also have a chance to discuss some persistent systemic impediments and assess the illustrations of some successful remedial actions that could act as guide to other countries and organisations. |
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Moderation: **Zosa De Sas Kropiwnicki-Gruber and Mike Simpson** (British Columbia Council for International Cooperation)

Insights from SD – Councils and similar bodies:
- **Jan Mertens**, FRDO-CFDD, Belgium
- **Tamar Iakobidze**, Caucasus Environmental NGO Network, Georgia
- **Florence Syevuo**, SDGs Kenya Forum
- **Hannah Janetschek**, German Council for Sustainable Development (RNE)

Question: Sustainability councils have been advising governments on the implementation of national sustainability strategies and policies for decades; however, previous studies have not systematically identified success factors for the long-term engagement of sustainability councils at the national level. A current Global Forum study (undertaken by BCCIC) is analysing success factors and governance mechanisms for establishing and maintaining a multi-stakeholder council or similar body and will answer the following question, which will be discussed in the webinar: *How heterogenous are these Councils in their Multi-Stakeholder character and approaches for SDG-delivery? How do Councils and similar advisory bodies maintain their roles as a source of knowledge and advice to their governments in SDG implementation?*

Outcome: Critical discussion on the importance of multi-stakeholder bodies in accelerating 2030 Agenda implementation by promoting fundamental principles such as accountability, transparency and leave no one behind, and by embodying whole-of-society approaches to constructively engage with governments on SDG-delivery. |

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10:00 – 11:30 (Berlin time, GMT+2) **4:00 – 5:30 (New York time, GMT-4)** **15:00 – 16:30 (Bangkok time, GMT+7)** **Check here your local time**	**Follow-up to VNRs and subsequent reporting** **Moderation**: **Danilo Arsenijevic** (Cabinet of Minister for Demography and Population Policy, Serbia) **Inputs**: - **Marja Innanen**, Prime Minister's Office, Finland - **Carel Brian Moussé**, Ministry of Planning and Development, Benin - **Yulian Tsolov**, Ministry of Economy, Kyrgyzstan - **Peseta Noumea Simi**, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Samoa (video statement) **Questions**: How was follow-up already considered during the VNR process (e.g. how were recommendations and next steps for the post-VNR process developed)? What are key short- and mid-term follow-up activities after the VNR? To what extent do these activities involve non-state actors? **Outcome**: This webinar will provide an overview of recent national experiences and lessons learnt concerning follow-up to the VNR and how second and subsequent VNRs can build on the previous reviews.
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10:00 – 11:30 (Berlin time, GMT+2) **4:00 – 5:30 (New York time, GMT-4)** **15:00 – 16:30 (Bangkok time, GMT+7)** **Check here your local time**	**SDG monitoring at different levels: Local and national approaches** **Moderation**: **Christian Luy** (Development Partners Network on Decentralisation and Local Governance (DeLoG) **Inputs**: - **Francine Melchioretto**, UNDP-ART - **Christine Rehberger**, Regionalmanagement OÖ GmbH, Austria - **Isaac Tettey**, Regional Economic Planning Officer, Volta Region, Ghana **Question:** What can actors at the sub-national level do to support SDG monitoring and close data gaps? **Outcome:** The great relevance of local monitoring approaches is ever-present in the current discussion around SDG reporting. Efforts are being made at all levels to increase the availability of local indicators, collect disaggregated data, align local indicator frameworks with national and global reporting structures, and to find ways for self-reflecting on local SDG implementation. This webinar will showcase different examples of how these efforts - from the global to the local level - can look like and what are key success and challenging factors.
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Moderation: **Viridiana González** (Ministry of Foreign Affairs Mexico)
　　　　　　Oli Henman (Action for Sustainable Development)

Inputs:
- **Marianne Beisheim**, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, SWP
- **Paula Caballero**, Rare
- **Margarita Cano**, Secretariat for Planning and Programming, Guatemala
- **Joop Theunissen**, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

Question: Several countries will start soon their VNR preparation process for reporting at the 2021 HLPF, but are their reporting mechanisms robust enough to cope with the unpredictability after the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic? Is there a need to review national mechanisms in order to make them more resilient?

Outcome: This closing webinar will discuss how the impacts of the current health crisis might influence future follow-up and review processes from the national to the global level, and which efforts need to be undertaken to adapt them accordingly. |