

WEBINAR

Taking stock on the HLPF's first 'cycle': lessons learned and what is ahead for the next four years

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Arelys Bellorini is currently United Nations Representative (Child Rights and Sustainable Development) for World Vision in New York. Most recently, she led World Vision NY-engagement on the post-2015 development agenda. In addition, she manages the organization's relations and partnerships with key UN agencies, in particular UNICEF as well as the inter-governmental relations and civil society partnerships. Arelys Bellorini is a sociologist graduated from Columbia University in New York and holds Graduate degrees from New York University and the Nicaraguan National Autonomous University. She has led national programmes and strategies on the promotion and full realization of children rights in Nicaragua and at sub-regional and regional level in Latin America. She has worked in Plan International, the Swedish Agency for Development Cooperation in Nicaragua, the Norwegian Agency for Cooperation Development, the Nicaragua Foreign Affairs Ministry, among others. She has managed national and local NGOs and has been a Professor on advocacy and multilateral organizations in her home country. Arelys Bellorini has also managed humanitarian programs and disaster risk reduction strategies at municipal and community level. reporting for the SDGs.



Dr. Graham Long is an Associate Director of the Institute for Sustainability at Newcastle University in the UK. From 2013-15 he worked on the SDGs as part of Beyond 2015, including co-facilitating the Beyond 2015 working group on follow up and review. He currently works with stakeholders on issues around SDG data, review and follow-up structures. Two of his ongoing projects are the annual Newcastle University-Together 2030 Perceptions Survey, and, with UK Stakeholders for Sustainable Development, SDG monitoring in the UK. In spring 2018, he authored a technical paper for UN DESA examining stakeholder reporting for the SDGs.



Irena Zubcevic – Chief of Intergovernmental Policy and Review Branch, Office of Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Irena Zubcevic has worked over 20 years in the area of sustainable development both as part of the Croatian foreign service (from 1993 to 2008) and after joining the United Nations Secretariat and contributed to a number of reports and papers in the area of sustainable development. She has been supporting the high-level political forum on sustainable development (HLPF) since its inception. She has also been supporting countries preparing their voluntary national reviews (VNRs) since the beginning at 2016 HLPF. In her work she has been working with a number of

stakeholders from governments to civil society, business, academia, etc. and facilitating their participation at the HLPF and other intergovernmental processes. She supported former Commission on Sustainable Development and was part of the team that supported the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in Rio in 2012 and its follow-up processes as well as negotiations on the post-2015 development agenda that resulted in the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development in September 2015. She also supported the first Sustainable Global Transport Conference in November 2016 and the first UN Ocean Conference in June 2017 and in this context contributed to the first Global Mobility Report and the first report on Blue Economy in cooperation with the World Bank



Philipp Schönrock is Director of Cepei (Centro de Pensamiento Estratégico Internacional) in Bogotá D.C., Colombia. He studied Transport and Logistics and International Relations in Berlin (Germany) and Paris (France). He has worked as a Program Official for the Ecole de la Paix in Grenoble and has served as an adviser to the Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation in Paris, France. He has also worked as an advisor for the Colombian government's commercial office in Germany. Philipp has published numerous essays in Latin America, Europe and the United States and writes periodically in the Latin

American press. He is also a guest-lecture on subjects regarding international development cooperation at various universities across the LAC region. In 2010, he was the team leader of the evaluation group on the implementation of the aid effectiveness principals of the Paris Declaration in Colombia. He is a Board Member of the Colombian Confederation of NGO and a Co-Chair of the LAC Community of Practice on Management for Development Results. Currently, he is working on a project to increase regional dialogue and information-sharing for the dissemination of good practices of sustainable development cooperation models in Latin America and the Caribbean.



Ms. María Ortiz Pérez is a Program Officer in the Office of the Executive Secretary at the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean. For the past five years, she has served in the Cabinet of Under Secretary-General Ms. Alicia Bárcena as focal point on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Ms. Ortiz Pérez also served in the United Nations Economic Commission for Western Asia for four years in the Cabinet of Under Secretary-General Ms. Rima Khalaf and as a project manager in the Emerging and Conflict Related Issues Division, where she managed projects on public sector modernization and sustainable development in Iraq and Lebanon.

Prior to joining the United Nations, Ms. Ortiz Pérez managed the government performance and transparency programs of the Boston-based Pioneer Institute for Public Policy Research. She also has ample experience in managing projects on economic development, stakeholder engagement and institution building and has contributed to several publications on sustainable development, good governance, governance in conflict settings, transparency and accountability. Ms. Ortiz Pérez holds a

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