WEBINAR
Preparing for the UN High Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2017

June 28 2017, 9:00 – 10:30am (NY time)
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Background:

The High Level Political Forum (HLPF) is the global structure responsible for assessing progress achievements and challenges faced by developed and developing countries and ensuring that the 2030 Agenda remains relevant and ambitious. In the 2030 Agenda, Member States have also emphasized that the HLPF should draw high-level political attention to gaps or areas where commitments are lagging behind and provide political leadership, guidance and recommendations for follow up to accelerate progress.

The next session of the HLPF will be held in New York from July 10-19. The theme will be "Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world". The set of goals to be reviewed in depth will be the following:

- Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere
- Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture
- Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages
- Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
- Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
- Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development (to be considered each year).

Presentation and discussion of Voluntary National Reviews (VNR) is a key component of the HLPF's function. For 2017, 44 countries¹ have volunteered to present national reviews on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

¹ Volunteer countries for 2017: Afghanistan; Argentina; Azerbaijan; Bangladesh; Belarus; Belgium; Belize; Benin; Botswana; Brazil; Chile; Costa Rica; Cyprus; Czech Republic; Denmark; El Salvador; Ethiopia; Guatemala; Honduras; India; Indonesia; Iran; Italy; Japan; Jordan; Kenya; Luxembourg; Malaysia; Maldives; Monaco; Nepal; Netherlands; Nigeria; Panama; Peru; Portugal; Qatar; Slovenia; Sweden; Tajikistan; Thailand; Togo; Uruguay; Zimbabwe.
Join this webinar for a review of the HLPF Agenda and a preparatory discussion on the main topics to be under review by governments during the event.

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| 9:00 – 9:05 | Welcome and review of the Agenda  
Facilitator: Naiara Costa, Together 2030 International Secretariat |
| 9:05 – 9:15 | Session 1 – The HLPF 2017: Agenda review and main issues under review  
- Benjamin Rae, UN DESA, Statistics Division. |
| 9:15 – 9:30 | Discussions |
| 9:30 – 09:50 | Session 2: Thematic Reviews – What should we expect? How to focus on thematic reviews without jeopardizing integrity of the Agenda?  
- A reflection after the United Nations Expert Group Meetings (EGMs)  
  - SDG 1 – Arelys Bellofini, World Vision  
  - SDG 2 – Ivonne Lobos Alva, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies IASS  
  - SDG 5 – Rachel Jacobson, International Women’s Health Coalition  
  - SDG 17 – Phillip Schönrock, Cepei |
| 09:50 – 10:05 | Discussions |
| 10:05 – 10:15 | Session 3 – Voluntary National Reviews (VNR)  
| 10:15 – 10:30 | Discussions |
| 10:30 | Wrap up and closing  
John Romano, International Coordinator, TAP Network. |

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