

**“Infrastructure Asset Management’s role in a sustainable, inclusive
and resilient recovery from COVID-19”**

High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development
Side-event co-organized by UNOPS & UN DESA

Date and time:

15 July 2022, 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. EST / 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. CET

Format:

Register for the virtual meeting on Zoom [here](#).

Programme (all times are in EST):

7:30-7:35	Welcome and introduction: Mr. Stefan Kohler, Infrastructure Regional Advisor and former Bangladesh Country Manager, UNOPS
Questions to be addressed during the side-event: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What role does infrastructure asset management play in the achievement of the SDGs?• How can infrastructure asset management support recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic? What are the lessons learned?• What is the UN doing to support member states with infrastructure asset management?	
7:35-8:35	Part 1: The role and importance of infrastructure asset management Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Christian Roberts, President of the Institute of Asset Management• Dr. Ajith Kumar Parlikad, Head of Asset Management Group, University of Cambridge• Ms. Caroline Lombardo, Chief, International Tax and Development Cooperation Branch in the Financing for Sustainable Development Office, UN DESA• Mr. Nicholas O'Regan, Director Implementation Practices and Standards, UNOPS

	<p>Part 2: The core concepts of infrastructure asset management and example applications</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Mihaly Kopanyi, Municipal Finance Advisor, World Bank• Dr. Linda Newton, Adjunct Professor Carleton University and President Linda Newton Consulting• Ms. Sandra Díaz, Senior Infrastructure and Project Management Specialist, Integrated Practice Advice and Support (IPAS), UNOPS <p>Moderator: Mr. Stefan Kohler, Infrastructure Regional Advisor and former Bangladesh Country Manager, UNOPS</p>
8:35-8:50	<p>Interactive discussion with side-event attendees: Questions can be asked via Zoom</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Stefan Kohler, Infrastructure Regional Advisor and former Bangladesh Country Manager, UNOPS</p>
8:50-9:00	<p>Final reflections and closing remarks:</p> <p>Mr. Stefan Kohler, Infrastructure Regional Advisor and former Bangladesh Country Manager, UNOPS</p>