SDG ACTION WEEKEND: LIST OF SIDE-EVENTS offsite (outside UNHQ) September 16-17, 2023

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SIDE-EVENTS – 16 SEPTEMBER

Leveraging Postgraduate Education for Sustainable Development: The Resource-Nexus and Environmental Management in Global South Partnerships (9:30-11:00; UNU-CPR, 767 3rd Ave f35, New York and online via Zoom)

- **Organizers:** United Nations University (UNU), United Nations University – Institute for Integrated Management of Material Fluxes and of Resources (UNU-FLORES), United Nations University – Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS), Dresden University of Technology (TU Dresden)
- **More information:** Register through [https://tu-dresden.de/bu/internationales/un-sdg-action-weekend](https://tu-dresden.de/bu/internationales/un-sdg-action-weekend)
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This side-event will be sharing experiences from Bangladesh, Germany and Japan with higher education programmes on sustainable development, with particular focus on partnerships between Global North and South.

**Shape a shared vision on South-South digital cooperation to achieve an inclusive and sustainable digital future (10:00-11:30; Location TBD)**

- **Organizers:** Digital Government Authority - Digital Cooperation Organization Saudi Arabia
- **More information:** [https://dga.gov.sa/sdgactionweekend23](https://dga.gov.sa/sdgactionweekend23) (No registration required)
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This side-event is to discuss the development of effective tools for South-South digital cooperation and how digitalized governments, societies, and economies contribute to the attainment of the SDGs.
International Best Practices for Sustainable and Inclusive Rural Evolution through Innovations in Higher Education, Science, and Gender Equality (13:00-15:00; UN Delegates Dining Room - Room 6)

- **Organizers:** Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations, Scientific Research and Humanistic Foundation Antonio Meneghetti, AICESIS, Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy Sciences, Latvian University of Life Sciences and Technologies, UN International Telecommunication Union (UN ITU), Peace Innovative Initiative, University for Peace, Peace Boat US, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering of University of Perugia, Hunt Hill Farm, Beijing Association for Mental Health, ESCP Blockchain & Cryptocurrency Society, Build it Up!

- **More information:** [https://www.fondazionemeneghetti.ch/sdg-action-weekend/](https://www.fondazionemeneghetti.ch/sdg-action-weekend/) (By invitation only)

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Identifying higher educational solutions to encourage sustainable development of rural areas as a response to SDGs 4, 5, 10, 11, 16, 17. Lizori project will be presented and deliver concrete action.
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Accelerator Actions and Partnerships for delivery on SDGs by 2030 (13:00 - 14:30; Uganda Permanent Mission to the United Nations, Uganda House 336 E 45th St, New York NY 10017)

- **More information:** [https://sdgs.opm.go.ug/](https://sdgs.opm.go.ug/) (No registration required)
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The side-event will address the unprecedented challenges and shared global aspirations with the imperative to accelerate progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

Transformation from the Bottom-Up: Making Global Goals Local Business and Advancing SDG Localization in the United Republic of Tanzania and Beyond (14:00 - 15:30; Tanzania Permanent Mission to the UN (307 East 53rd Street - 6th floor)

- **Organizers:** Tanzania, Finland & UN HABITAT
- **More information:** [https://un.tzembassy.go.tz](https://un.tzembassy.go.tz) (No registration required)
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The side-event will share Tanzania’s experience and best practices in promoting SDGs localization and explore challenges faced by developing countries in fostering meaningful partnerships for the SDGs.

Innovation for Industrial Sustainability (15:00 - 18:00; Westin Hotel Grand Central)

- **Organizers:** UNDESA, Tsinghua University, UN Water, supported by Sustainable Business Leaders Platform
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This side-event will bring together academia, business leaders and UN system to discuss innovative practices that contribute to industrial sustainability focusing on SCP, renewable energy, water, etc.
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DIALOGUE DE HAUT NIVEAU POUR UNE FRANCOPHONIE AU RENDEZ-VOUS DES OBJECTIFS DE DÉVELOPPEMENT DURABLE EN 2030 (16:00 - 17:30; The Westin New York Grand Central Hotel)

- **Organizers:** Organisation internationale de la Francophonie
- **More information:** Register through [https://www.ifdd.francophonie.org/diplomaties/sommet-des-odd-dialogue-de-haut-niveau-de-la-francophonie-sur-le-developpement-durable/](https://www.ifdd.francophonie.org/diplomaties/sommet-des-odd-dialogue-de-haut-niveau-de-la-francophonie-sur-le-developpement-durable/)
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The side-event will be led by the Secretary-General of La Francophonie in the presence of Heads of State, with the objective of enhancing Francophone solidarity in the implementation of the SDGs.

SDG Partnership Symposium: Unleashing the power of multi-stakeholder partnerships (18:00 - 20:00; APCO Worldwide, 31st Floor, Nomad Tower, 1250 Broadway, New York)

- **Organizers:** The 2030 Agenda Partnership Accelerator (an initiative by UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs and The Partnering Initiative), Partnerships2030 (GIZ on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development) and the Global Forum on SDG Advisory Bodies
- **More information:** Register through [https://partnershipaccelerator.org/campaign/](https://partnershipaccelerator.org/campaign/)
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This event will bring together leaders and SDG champions to discuss a study on partnership factors and help you enhance your organizational approach for greater partnership impact.