

2025 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and High-Level Segment of ECOSOC

24 July 2025

Theme: Advancing sustainable, inclusive, science- and evidence-based solutions for the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and its SDGs for leaving no one behind
PROGRAMME*



SDGs under in-depth review:

Week 1: 14-18 July 2025 (CR 4)				
HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT				
Monday, 14 July	Tuesday, 15 July	Wednesday, 16 July	Thursday, 17 July	Friday, 18 July
<p>(GA HALL) 10 – 11 AM Opening President of ECOSOC Keynote addresses Messages from ECOSOC presented by the Vice President of ECOSOC (GA HALL) 11 AM – 1 PM Unlocking means of implementation: Mobilizing financing and STI for the SDGs (Townhall meeting) How can countries and stakeholders advance a coherent framework for financing the SDGs? What are the key outcomes from the 4th International Conference on Financing for Development (FfD4) which can be addressed in the short-term? How can promising science and technology solutions for the SDGs be scaled up? What innovative examples were highlighted at the 10th Multi-Stakeholder Forum on STI for the SDGs?</p> <p>(CR 4) 3 – 6 PM SDG 3 and interlinkages with other SDGs – Good health and well-being Which obstacles are hindering implementation of SDG 3? What comprehensive integrated policies and specific measures can accelerate its achievement? How can the interlinkages with other Goals be fully leveraged to ensure more effective policies that promote healthy lives and well-being for people of all ages? How can we strengthen the means of implementation and partnerships to achieve SDG3?</p>	<p>(CR 4) 10 AM – 1 PM SDG 5 and interlinkages with other SDGs – Gender equality What approaches and actions are needed to effectively achieve women's and girls' empowerment and gender equality? What successful partnerships can be forged to accelerate gender-responsive implementation of the SDGs? How can we measure the impact of these initiatives to ensure continuous improvement? How can we strengthen the means of implementation and partnerships to achieve SDG5?</p> <p>(CR 4) 3 – 6 PM Accelerating SDG achievement in African countries. LDCs LLDCs and middle-income countries How can African countries, LDCs and LLDCs build resilience against economic and environmental shocks as well as the effects of conflicts? What policies and frameworks can ignite economic growth and support long-term sustainable development in African countries, LDCs and LLDCs? What needs to be done to implement the outcome of the LLDC Conference? What innovative public-private partnership models can be developed to mobilize and expand financing for SDG initiatives in African countries, LDCs and LLDCs? What strategies can be implemented to ensure inclusive and equitable progress towards the SDGs in MICs? What are some successful case studies of MICs making significant progress towards the SDGs, and what lessons can be learned from them?</p>	<p>(CR 4) 10 AM – 10.10 AM Introduction of the report on the 10-Year Framework of Programme on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns (CR 4) 10:10 AM – 1 PM SDG 8 and interlinkages with other SDGs – Decent work and economic growth What strategies and transformative measures can enhance synergies and minimize trade-offs in achieving SDG 8? What are innovative solutions and best practices to promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent jobs work for all while also fostering environmental protection? How can we strengthen the means of implementation and partnerships to achieve SDG8?</p> <p>(CR 4) 3 – 6 PM Small Island Developing States: Strategies for SDG success What measures are required to successfully implement the Antigua and Barbuda Agenda for SIDS (ABAS)? What innovative approaches are SIDS using to overcome their unique challenges in achieving the SDG? How can SIDS leverage regional and international partnerships to enhance their sustainable development efforts? What are the effective mechanisms to finance SDG initiatives in SIDS, and how can these be scaled up to ensure sustainable progress?</p>	<p>(CR 4) 10 AM – 1 PM SDG 14 and interlinkages with other SDGs – Life below water How can we build on the 2025 Ocean Conference and ensure its successful follow-up to accelerate action towards implementation of SDG 14?" How can we strengthen the means of implementation and partnerships to achieve SDG14?</p> <p>(CR 4) 3 – 4:30 PM Delivering the 2030 Agenda: Aligning global processes through inclusive multilateralism How can we apply the insights gained from the work of MGoS to accelerate implementation of the 2030 Agenda and its SDGs? What strategies can we adopt to bolster the engagement of MGoS in ensuring the successful implementation, follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda?</p> <p>(CR 4) 4:30 – 6 PM Transformation from the ground up: Acting at local level What innovative strategies are local communities employing to progress towards achieving the SDGs? What are some successful examples of local SDG implementation that can be replicated in other regions?</p>	<p>(CR 4) 10 – 1 PM Voluntary national reviews Panel 1 Guatemala, Malaysia, Sudan Panel 2 Angola, Kyrgyz Republic, Saint Lucia (CR 4) 3 – 6 PM Panel 3 Belarus, Dominican Republic Panel 4 Bangladesh, Eswatini, Micronesia</p>

Week 2: 21-24 July 2025			
HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL			
MINISTERIAL SEGMENT OF THE HLPF /ECOSOC HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT (HLS)			ECOSOC HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT
Monday, 21 July	Tuesday, 22 July	Wednesday, 23 July	Thursday, 24 July
<p>(GA HALL) 10 – 11 AM Ministerial Opening President of ECOSOC Secretary-General President of the General Assembly Keynotes Youth representative</p> <p>(GA HALL) 11:10 AM – 1 PM General debate**: UN@80: Catalyzing Change for Sustainable Development</p>	<p>(CR 4) 10 – 10:15 AM <u>Messages from the UN Environment Assembly</u></p> <p>(CR 4) 10:15 AM – 11:45 AM <u>Regional perspectives on SDG implementation</u></p> <p>What strategies can be used to mobilize regional action and leverage regional frameworks to support countries in ensuring effective follow-up to the Summit of the Future for SDG achievement?</p> <p>(CR 4) 11:45 AM – 1 PM <u>Voluntary national reviews</u></p> <p>Panel 1 Finland, Philippines (The)</p>	<p>(CR 4) 10 AM – 1 PM <u>Voluntary national reviews</u></p> <p>Panel 1 Bhutan, Ghana, Iraq</p> <p>Panel 2 Qatar, Nigeria</p> <p>Panel 3 Bulgaria, Ethiopia</p> <p>(TRI) 10 AM – 1 PM <u>General debate:</u> UN@80: Catalyzing Change for Sustainable Development</p>	<p>(ECOSOC CHAMBER) 10 – 10:30 AM Introduction of the Secretary-General's reports on the theme of HLPF and ECOSOC, and on long-term impact of current trends on the realization of the SDGs Introduction of the report of the Committee on Development Policy</p> <p>(ECOSOC CHAMBER) 10:30 AM – 1 PM <u>UN at 80: the role of ECOSOC in leading action for a stronger and more effective multilateral system</u></p> <p>As the UN commemorates its 80th anniversary, what opportunities and challenges lie ahead for ECOSOC to reinforce its leadership and core functions? How can ECOSOC and its subsidiary machinery deliver more transformative solutions to strengthen multilateral cooperation, enhance global solidarity, and effectively address emerging global challenges? Looking at strengthening ECOSOC during the intergovernmental review exercise to be undertaken by the General Assembly at its 80th session and the Council's upcoming assessment on strengthening its Functional Commissions and Expert Bodies, how can ECOSOC discharge its functions more effectively in addressing complex challenges in uncertain times?</p>
<p>(CR 4) 3 – 6 PM <u>Voluntary national reviews</u></p> <p>Panel 1 El Salvador, Malta, Thailand</p> <p>Panel 2 Czechia, Israel, Papua New Guinea</p> <p>(TRI) 3 – 6 PM <u>General debate:</u> UN@80: Catalyzing Change for Sustainable Development</p>	<p>(CR 4) 3 – 6 PM <u>Voluntary national reviews</u></p> <p>Panel 2 Germany, Kazakhstan, Seychelles</p> <p>Panel 3 Japan, Gambia (The),</p> <p>Panel 4 Indonesia, Suriname</p> <p>(TRI) 3 – 6 PM <u>General debate:</u> UN@80: Catalyzing Change for Sustainable Development</p>	<p>(CR 4) 3 – 4 PM <u>Voluntary national reviews</u></p> <p>Panel 4 India, Lesotho</p> <p>(CR 4) 4 – 6 PM Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration Conclusion of the HLPF</p>	<p>(ECOSOC CHAMBER) 3 – 5 PM <u>Global trends and their future impacts: globalization and international cooperation in a transforming world</u></p> <p>What are the likely impacts of current trends in globalization on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals? How can the Economic and Social Council rise to the challenge of strengthening a rules-based, fair, equitable and pro-sustainable development globalization and international cooperation that works for all? What renewal is needed for the Council and the ECOSOC system to address the current challenges related to globalization and multilateralism and look beyond, towards the future, as the United Nations celebrates its 80th anniversary?</p> <p>(ECOSOC CHAMBER) 5 – 6 PM Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration Conclusion of the High-Level Segment</p>

* The programme reflects General Assembly resolutions 78/285, 75/290 A and B, 67/290, 70/299, and the 2030 Agenda.

** The general debate of the High-level Segment of ECOSOC and the ministerial days of the HLPF under the theme "UN@80: Catalyzing Change for Sustainable Development" will be held from 21 to 23 July 2025. Time limits of 5 minutes for group statements, 3 minutes for national statements and 2 minutes for statements by other speakers will be strictly applied.