









Concept Note

## Side-event at the High Level Political Forum 2021:

## National partnerships and the role of national parliaments- building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda

Date 12 July 2021

7.30 am – 9 am

Zoom – <u>Register here</u>

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The Sustainable Development Goals address phenomena that are global in their nature. This implies that not every single target and indicator can reflect the challenges in each country and hereby address national circumstances. On the other hand, addressing national circumstances is an important building block in the fulfillment of the global goals. For this reason, many countries are complementing the work on the global goals with national initiatives and partnerships that are more specific in targeting local circumstances and characteristics. Here, national parliaments play a prominent role, as they, via relevant legislation, can address the issues identified in the course of the national dialogue on achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

This side event will elaborate on the approach of the national parliaments from Argentina, Denmark, Kenya and Malaysia, and their dialogue with the stakeholders in order to ensure a collaborative national follow-up on the global goals. It will furthermore describe the challenges, interdependencies and proposals for action areas in this regard. The event will start by outlining



general areas of focus that national parliaments can consider in their actions and will continue to elaborate on the possible role of national parliaments in relation to the global goals exemplified by the experiences from Argentina, Denmark, Kenya, and Malaysia. The interplay between the decision-makers and a broad range of stakeholders will be demonstrated by a presentation on the role and work of the Danish SDG-expert body, the 2030 Panel that was set up to support the Danish Parliament in actions relating to the Sustainable Development Goals.

Finally, the event will present the 'Our Goal' project, which is a concrete example of one of the culminations of the Danish inclusive approach. The project has developed a proposal for Danish Sustainable Development indicators in a broadly anchored process through inputs from stakeholders such as civil society, the private sector, academia, government agencies, and the 'average Dane'. One of the main objectives of the project was to increase awareness on the Goals among the Danes and to measure and facilitate political action towards the 2030 Agenda in a national context.

Panel:

Martin Bille Hermann - Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations

**Kirsten Brosbøl** – former Minister for the Environment of Denmark, Founder & CEO of 2030beyond

Katarina Ammitzbøll – 2030 network chair, an intra-parliamentary group on the 2030 Agenda

Camila Crescimbeni - Member of the Chamber of Deputies of Argentina

Gideon Ochanda Ogolla – Member of Parliament, Kenya

**Hon. Dato' Sri Rohani Abdul Karim** – Chairman of All-Party Parliamentary Group Malaysia on Sustainable Development Goals (APPGM-SDG), Member of the Parliament of Malaysia, Former Cabinet Minister (2013 – 2018)

Sarah Kruger Falk – 2030 Panel and UN Global Compact

Niels Ploug - Statistics Denmark, Director of Social Statistics