



**The Department of Sustainable Development of the Romanian Government in
collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Colombia to the UN**

UN High Level Political Forum Side Event

***“Global progress towards the SDGs: measuring, monitoring and evaluating the
2030 Agenda during and after COVID-19”***

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In times of crises, international organizations, the public and private sector share a common desire to overcome in a swift manner the hardships that come with them. Bearing in mind the climate crisis, and more recently the COVID-19 pandemic, global actors use the power that multilateralism has in order to bring stakeholders at the same table and find viable solutions. With a rules based international order in mind, cooperation between the aforementioned is crucial in tackling current crises and in addressing the 2030 Agenda and its implementation on all levels.

Cross country partnerships and the establishment of networks hold the power to overcome multiple crises. The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we deal with situations and not only, but ultimately it has brought to light the capacity we hold, as a humanity, to adapt to unforeseen contexts.

The monitoring of the 2030 Agenda gives us the power to efficiently assess its implementation, thus actively tracking the structural changes it creates. This event’s aim is to corroborate optimal data and entertain fruitful debates and discussion on the policies developed so far in implementing the 17 SDGs.

One year into the Decade of Action, states, companies, international organizations and other actors must work together in bridging their strategies to achieve the 17 sustainable development goals. Only through full transparency and active cooperation, the common goal will be met. The time is now.



Tentative Agenda
(07:30-09:00 AM New York Time)

07:30-07:35 Moderator:Mr.Teodor Blidaru, MD,Romanian Economic and Social Council Member, former Romanian Youth delegate to the UN 2019-2020

07:35-07:43 Mr. László Borbély, State Counsellor, National SDG Coordinator, Prime Minister's Office - Department of Sustainable Development

07:43- 07:51 Mr. Tánczos Barna, Minister of Environment, Water and Forests, Government of Romania

07:51- 07:59 Mr. Juan Daniel Oviedo, Director General of the National Statistical Department, Colombia

07:59- 08:07 Mr. Dmitry Maryasin, Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Switzerland

08:07- 08:15 Dr. Jeffrey Sachs, President of SDSN

08:15- 08:23 Mrs. Annika Lindblom, President of ESDN Association

08:23- 08:31 Mr. Ernesto Soriamorales, Head of the Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development Unit, OECD

08:31- 09:00 Q&A and conclusions