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## HLPF Side Event on "Strengthening Government Data4Recovery Capacity with a Focus on Public Health"

Thursday, 15 July 2021, 7.30 - 9.00 am (EDT)

COVID-19 has exposed glaring gaps in public health preparedness in developed and developing countries alike. Apart from the social and economic shocks inflicted by the pandemic, it has also exposed the lack of a robust infectious disease surveillance and control system. However, amid this unprecedented crisis, governments around the world have successfully brought together the private sector, civil society, academia, media, and development partners and established novel collective data intelligence systems.

This high-level virtual event will feature presentations on working models being used by partners and provide a platform for representatives from the Member States, UN agencies, and other stakeholders to share best practices, exchange the tools and expertise. The primary aim of the event is to identify the means to develop innovative infectious disease surveillance and control systems that harness data and technology customized and utilized on an international scale to provide evidence for decision making, strategizing, and ultimately, strengthening public health policy in the new normal. There will be high-level statements and briefings followed by interactive discussions.

(Agenda and concept note attached)

To join the event, please register <u>here</u>