



HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 2021 UNDER THE AUSPICES OF ECOSOC

Tuesday, 6 July, to Thursday, 15 July 2021

The theme will be *"Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that promotes the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development: building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development"*.

SIDE EVENT AT THE HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 2021

Time	Organization	Title of event
Wednesday, 14 July 2021		
1300-1430 NYC Time	University College Dublin	Education for Sustainable Development: The Role of Higher Education in Mission 4.7

1. Background to the Side Event

Our world faces multiple challenges, some new and many enduring, including pandemics, rising global temperatures, unemployment, and inequality. Are you keen to be part of crafting and implementing solutions to the big challenges of our times? If yes, join us to discuss education pathways that will help prepare you with the tools, skills, and knowledge to build a fulfilling and challenging life tackling the world's biggest challenges.

2. Objectives of the side event

To outline the role of Higher Education to create education pathways that create knowledge and the virtues to achieve **Target 4.7** by 2030;

“By 2030 ensure all learners acquire knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including among others through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship, and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture’s contribution to sustainable development”

3. Some guiding Questions for presentations and discussion

How can teaching training colleges in Universities orient teacher training towards sustainable development?

How can Universities work with Departments of Education to orient curriculum and state examinations towards sustainable development?

What are good examples of open access entry to undergraduate and postgraduate programs on Sustainable Development?

What are good examples of career pathways for graduates of universities in the public and private sector in the area of Sustainable Development?

How do Universities missions have measurable impact on sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship, and appreciation of cultural diversity?

4. Format and Agenda (1 hour and 30 mins)

Institutions Panel (7 X 5mins)

Patrick Paul Walsh (Chair), University College Dublin & Senior Advisor SDSN

Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo, Chancellor of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences/Social Sciences.

Omar Hernández, Public Information Officer at the United Nations, UN Academic Impact.

Florencia Librizzi, Head of Program and Partnerships, SDG Academy.

María Cortés Puch, Vice President, Sustainable Development Solutions Network.

Wing Thye Woo, President, Jeffrey Cheah Institute of Southeast Asia.

Lanre Olaniyan, University of Ibadan and Co-chair of the Global Masters in Development Practice Program.

Kristen Hargis, University of Saskatchewan and the Sustainability and Education Policy Network.

Individual Experience Panel (7 X 5mins)

Enda Murphy (Chair), University College Dublin

Rachel Harri Weiser - Candidate at Harvard University and ConnectAID, Chief Strategic Officer

Opeyemi Ekundayo - Obafemi Awolowo University, 2020 Millennium Fellowship Alumni.

Alison Moran, UCD M.Sc. in Sustainable Development in partnership with UN SDSN

Trisha Knight, UCD M.Sc. in Sustainable Development in partnership with UN SDSN

Afandi Ahmad, Sunway University and All-Party Parliamentary Group Malaysia On Sustainable Development Goals

Noa Urbach, Teachers College, Columbia University, SDG Academy Alumnus.

Rosanele Romero, SDG Academy Alumnus.

Q&A for 20 mins

5. Platform to be used and Registration link

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Jul 14, 2021 06:00 PM Dublin

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://ucd-ie.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Uqf-GurD4rHNLb9sUc7AypNPUIO2qh-GZx>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.