

Your guide to SDG16+ at the 2019  
High-Level Political Forum



# SDG16+ Festival Guide

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FOR PEACEFUL, JUST AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES

Welcome to the SDG16+ Festival Guide —your destination for all SDG16+-related meetings and events taking place during the 2019 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), July 8th - 19th.

Under the theme of, “Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality,” the goals under ministerial review at the end of the first four-year cycle of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development are:



Reduce inequality within and among countries



Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

Also being reviewed are SDGs 4 (education), 8 (economic growth), 13 (climate change) and 17 (implementation and partnerships).

Hundreds of events will take place during this two-week period, both at UN Headquarters and elsewhere in New York City. In this guide, we highlight the official events related to the first ever review of SDG16 and SDG10, as well as the SDG16+ related side events and receptions happening on the margins of the HLPF.

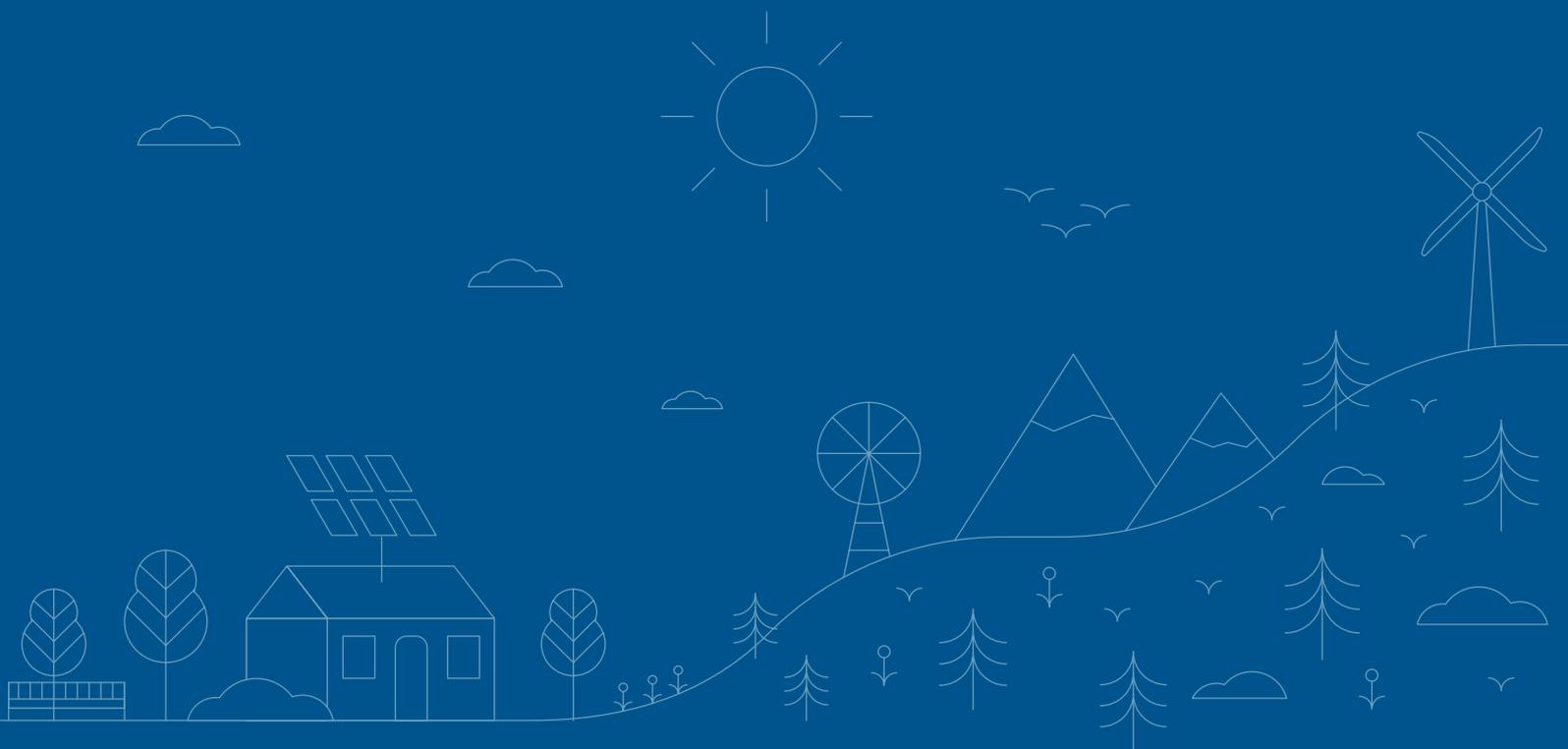
The 2019 HLPF is a crucial opportunity for the SDG16+ community to shine a spotlight on the movement to build peaceful, just and inclusive societies. By maximizing impact at the HLPF in July, together we will be able to take the momentum forward to the SDG Summit in September, when countries have been asked to register Acceleration Actions for all SDGs.

\*Kindly note that Pathfinders does not manage invitations or registration for events in the SDG16+ Festival Guide. If you are interested in participating in an event listed, please contact the event organizer.

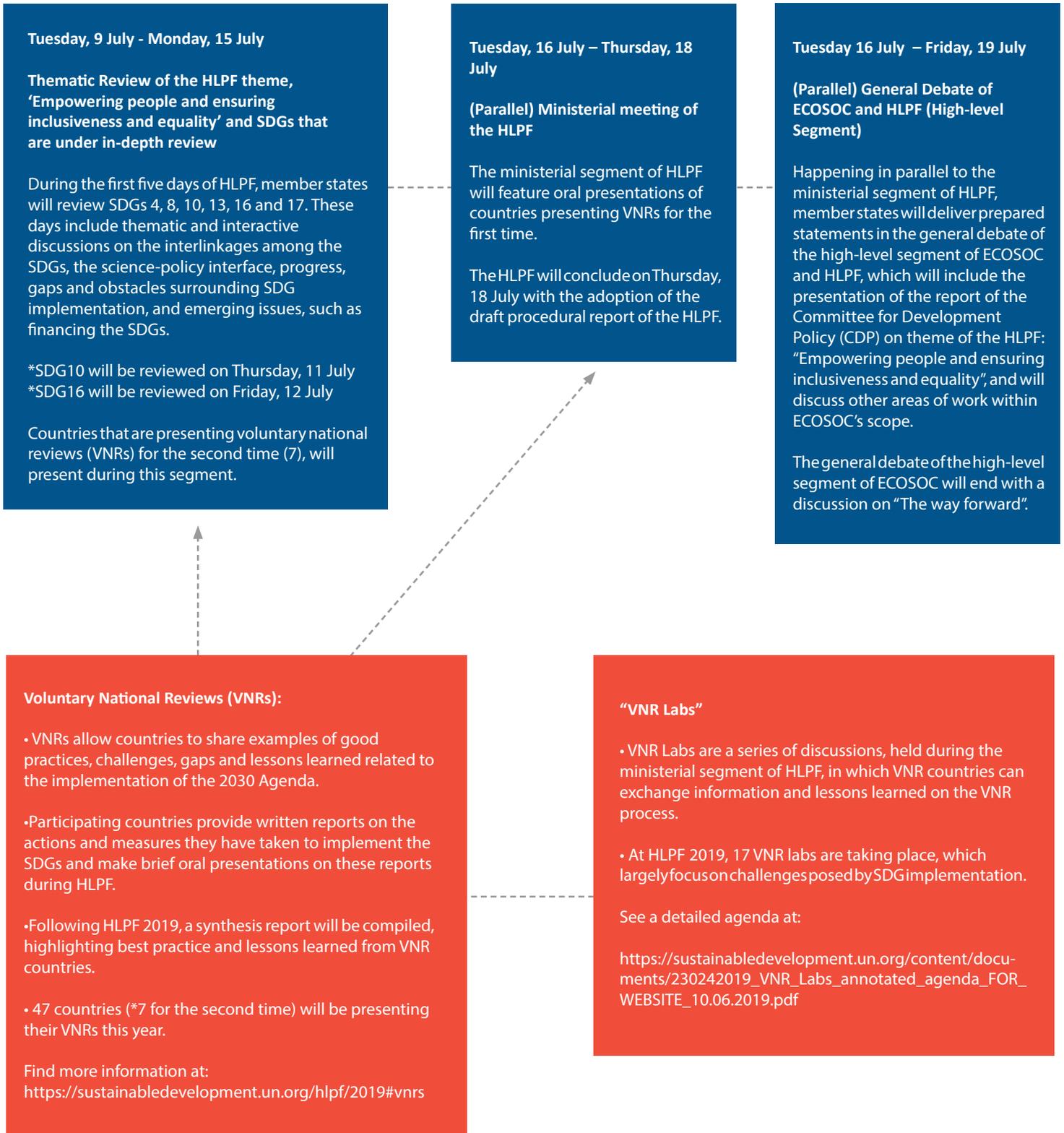
**“There can be no sustainable development without peace, and no peace without sustainable development.”**



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## How does the High-level Political Forum process work and what's happening behind the scenes?



Access the full program for the HLPF 2019, here: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf/2019>

# SDG Summit

An opportunity to commit to SDG16+

Following HLPF, the 2019 SDG Summit will be held on 24 and 25 September, during the high level week that marks the opening of the 74th session of the UN General Assembly.



During the Summit, Heads of State and Government will come to New York to assess progress on all 17 SDGs so far and to, “mobilize further actions to accelerate implementation.”

Member States, and other stakeholders, including civil society, local authorities, private sector, scientific and technological community, academia, and others will be called on to pledge accelerator commitments to implement and finance policies and programs at the scale needed to deliver and demonstrate measurable progress across the SDG targets by 2023. These commitments are gathered in the UN Global Registry for Voluntary Commitments.

Placing these commitments at the heart of a broader mobilization, the SDG16+ community can further energize the global, regional, and national partnerships that are vital to the success of all the SDGs—especially SDG16+.

Find more information about the SDG Summit and planned events surrounding this important moment at:

<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgsummit#home>

# Pathfinders' Events

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**Gender Equality, Arms Control and the 2030 Agenda**

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**Justice for All**

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**SDG16+ and the Future We Want**

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**SDG16+ and the Future We Want: Reception**

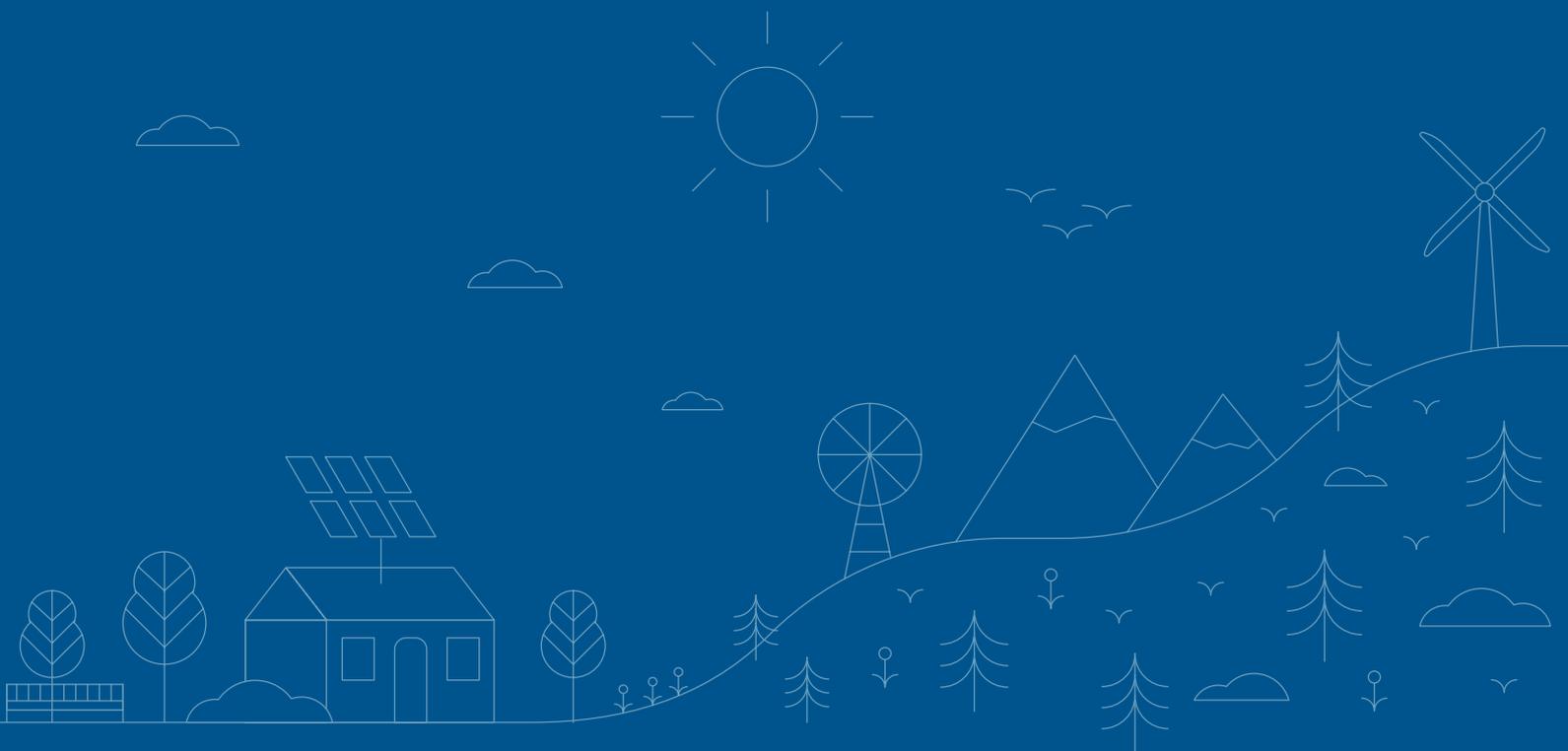
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**Building Momentum on the Grand Challenge on Inequality and Exclusion**

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**Side Event on SDG16 Implementation and Violence Prevention**

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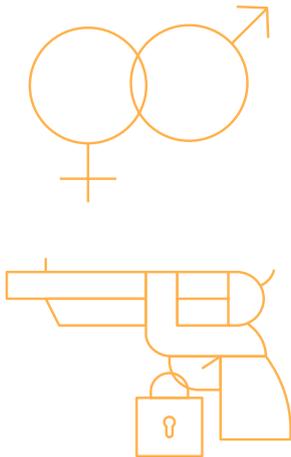


## Gender Equality, Arms Control and the 2030 Agenda

**Organised By:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the UN, Pathfinders, African Women Leaders Network (AWLN), African Union

**Date & Time:** July 12, 12:30 - 2:30PM

**Address:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, 871 United Nations Plaza 10017



Small Arms and Light Weapons pose significant security and safety risks to populations worldwide. Globally, firearms are used in an estimated 46 percent of all violent deaths, impede development, drive irregular migration, and contribute to tossing entire regions into conflict and instability.

The Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, along with Germany, Namibia, the African Union and the Small Arms Survey will host a side event that will discuss the ways of further linking SDG5 and SDG16 in the framework of regional approaches to arms control.

This side event builds on sharing experiences of experts in the arms control and disarmament field, lessons learned from regional roadmaps for comprehensive small arms and light weapons control, and outlines specific findings of a regional workshop in Addis Ababa held in May 2019 on the linkages between gender equality and small arms control. In particular, this event will outline a path forward and build on the expertise within the African Women's Leader Network and others in reaching the goals of the African Union's Plan of Action to "Silence the Guns in Africa until 2020." Lastly the event will present and discuss strategic and operational pathways forward for the meaningful participation of women in small arms and light weapons control.

## "Justice for All"

**Organised By:** Task Force on Justice, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the UN, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Argentina to the UN, Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone to the UN, The Elders, Namati, Open Society Justice Initiative

**Date & Time:** July 15, 5:30pm - 7:30pm

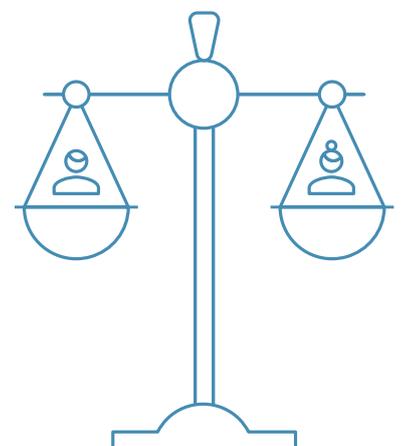
**Address:** Millennium Hotel, One United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017

A vibrant community of countries, organizations and people is coming together to lead the work on Justice for All. Led by Argentina, the Netherlands, Sierra Leone and The Elders, the Task Force on Justice was created to accelerate the implementation of SDG16.3. Working closely with justice partners, the Task Force has developed an agenda for action that will help deliver the SDG targets that promise justice for all. This agenda is set out in its report: Justice for All.

On the eve of the high-level segment of the High-Level Political Forum, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, the Elders, Namati, open Society Justice Initiative and the Task Force on Justice, will co-host a 'Justice for All' networking reception, for interested members of country delegations to the HLPF, civil society representatives and justice partners.

The event will feature the launch of the 'Justice for All' report, with brief remarks by the co-chairs, ministers of Argentina, the Netherlands and Sierra Leone, and the Elders, an inspirational talk on Justice for All by a global justice leader, as well as the 2019 Grassroots Justice Prize Ceremony, to be awarded by Mary Robinson and Hina Jilani from The Elders.

A networking reception will follow. Registration is required for this event.



## SDG16+ and the Future We Want

**Organised By:** Pathfinders, Global Alliance, 16+ Forum, TAP Network, LexisNexis and UK Mission to the UN

**Date & Time:** July 16, 6:15 -7:30pm

**Address:** UNHQ, ECOSOC Chamber

How do we create the future we want that incorporates peace, justice, and inclusion for all? How can we draw attention to the specific needs of people, communities, and societies that face the greatest risk of being left behind due to violence, injustice, exclusion, and poor governance?

The Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, the 16+ Forum, and the Global Alliance, in partnership with LexisNexis, TAP, and the UK Mission to the UN, will host a high-level side event that aims to showcase 'what works' to achieve progress on SDG16+ at all levels, galvanize political will for investment in evidence-based actions, and empower all – including the youth – to accelerate progress on SDG16+.

This event will focus on the importance of SDG16+, its interlinkages to all SDGs, and as an enabler of the 2030 Agenda. Additionally, the event will celebrate national experiences of SDG16, such as those highlighted in the VNRS. Finally the side event will promote political will and forward-looking, multi-stakeholder commitments to accelerate SDG16+ implementation in the next four-year cycle of the 2030 Agenda.



## SDG16+ and the Future We Want: Reception

**Organised By:** Pathfinders, Global Alliance, 16+ Forum, TAP Network, LexisNexis and UK Mission to the UN

**Date & Time:** July 16, 7:30 - 9:00pm

**Address:** Ford Foundation (Reception), 320 E 43rd St, 10017

The SDG16+ targets of peace, justice, and inclusion are universal for all states around the globe. Faced with similar challenges and united by the same prospect, countries can greatly benefit from exchanging information and joining forces on the way to combating violence, injustice, and exclusion. To attain the final goal, member states and partners not only need to celebrate successful initiatives, but also increase commitments to foster evidence-based actions that advance and build on current efforts to achieve SDG16+ targets.

The Pathfinders, 16+ Forum, and the Global Alliance for Reporting Progress on Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, in collaboration with Lexis Nexis, TAP, and the UK Mission to the UN, will host a reception to strengthen countries' existing engagements and encourage further commitments for SDG16+.

The event will serve as a platform for member states, key stakeholders, and partners to reflect on challenges and showcase effective policies in the pursuit of peaceful and inclusive societies. The discussion will allow countries to make additional commitments that will accelerate advances towards achieving SDG16+, with the goal of setting concrete plans for the implementation of these commitments.

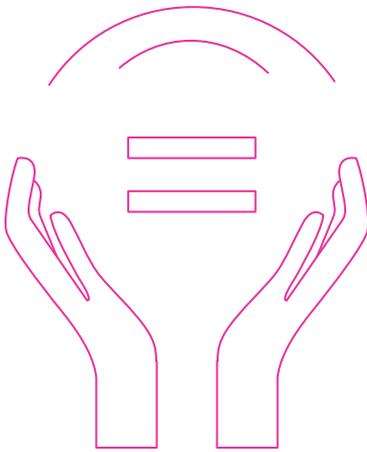


## Building Momentum on the Grand Challenge on Inequality and Exclusion

**Organised By:** Pathfinders, Republic of Korea, Sweden, Tunisia and Indonesia

**Date & Time:** July 17, 09:00 -11:00am

**Address:** Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, 335 E. 45th St., TBD



What policies, approaches and models work to deal with rising global inequality and exclusion? How can governments, civil society, the private sector and other stakeholders advance social, economic, and political inclusion and equality around the world?

The Pathfinders, in association with the Republic of Korea, Sweden, Tunisia and Indonesia, will host a high-level side event aimed at deepening engagement and support amongst member states and key stakeholders working to build more equal and inclusive societies, economies, and political institutions.

At this event, high-level participants will showcase examples of successful policy initiatives undertaken by a number of countries and stakeholders to deal with rising inequality and exclusion. Examples of international and national implementation and commitment, with a focus on innovative approaches, visions, models, and tools that member states have developed in line with their national circumstances and priorities will be highlighted, and a new 'challenge paper' on the grand challenge of inequality and exclusion will be launched.

## SDG16 in Conflict-Affected Situations: Ambition vs. Reality

**Organised By:** g7+ Secretariat, Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone, Permanent Mission of Timor-Leste, Republic of Korea, Pathfinders

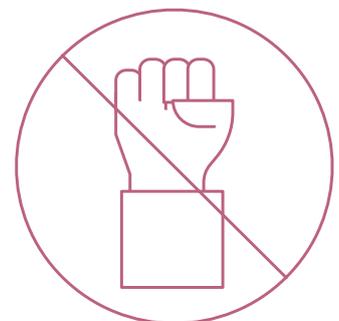
**Date & Time:** July 17, 1:15 - 2:30pm

**Address:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room A

For conflict-affected countries, attaining peace and resilience is an overarching priority. The g7+ member states draw from common experiences of violence in the past and work towards stability and development, with the help of national and international actors. Sharing a history of conflict and the goal of peace presents a unique opportunity for those states to learn from each other's progress and collaborate to achieve the targets of SDG 16.

Recognizing this prospect, The Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies of the NYU Center on International Cooperation in collaboration with the g7+ Secretariat and the Permanent Missions of Sierra Leone, Timor-Leste and Republic of Korea, will convene a high-level side event with the aim to facilitate and strengthen the relations between countries affected by conflict on their way to peace, justice and inclusion.

During this event, member states will present a summary of findings of 20 indicators and their VNR, highlighting progress on implementing SDG 16, as well as sharing challenges they have encountered in the process. Drawing from those presentations, the high-level participants will identify common trends, successful strategies and effective policies for peaceful state building, economic and social development that can be implemented in the context of conflict-affected countries.



# Schedule of Events

Look for the following symbols, used throughout this program, to identify the conference's core themes – and to find sessions that will be of particular interest.

SDG16+



Inclusion and Equality



Governance



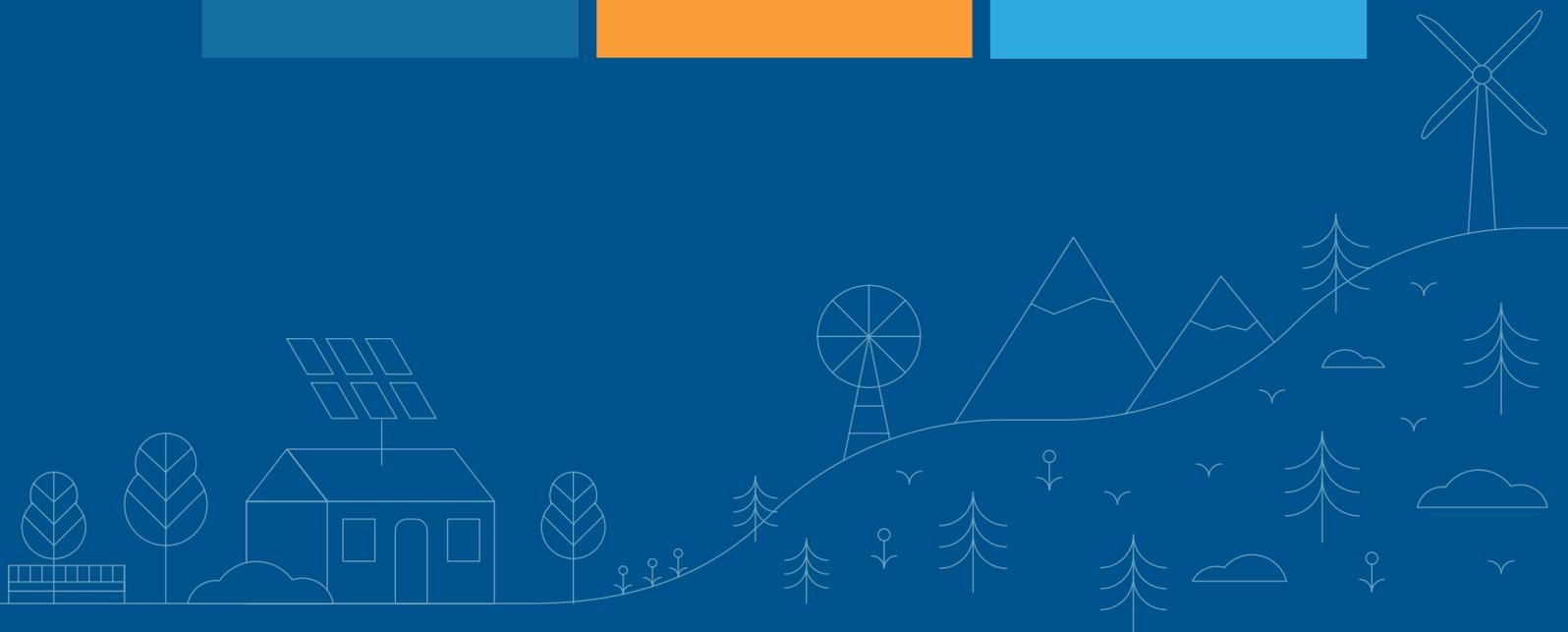
Justice



Peace



Events Within UNHQ



## Monday 8th July

10:00 - 6:00pm  
8th July



### Strengthening the Rule of Law and Human Rights to Achieve Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies

Accountable, effective, and transparent institutions and processes that promote and expand inclusive access to justice, access to information and rule of law are considered key contributors in promoting peaceful dispute resolution and preventing the outbreak, escalation or recurrence of violent conflict. In this side-event, participants will discuss strengthening the justice system – alongside related mechanisms to provide community and citizen security – and ensuring respect for human rights and the rule of law, as vital elements of sustaining peace and making progress on towards achieving the 2030 Agenda.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Organizer:** Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Ibero-American Judicial Summit, Conference of Ministers of Justice of Ibero-America Countries (COMJIB), Ibero-American Association of Attorney Generals (AIAMP), with the support of the Global Alliance for SDG 16, the Rule of Law Unit of the Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary General, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the Ibero-American General Secretariat, the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies and the Inter-American Association of Public Lawyers (AIDEP)

10:00 - 12:00pm  
8th July



### The Critical Role of Non-Official Data Monitoring and Implementing SDG16

At this launch event for the SDG16 Data Initiative 2019 Global Report, participants will learn of the report's key results, assessing global progress towards realizing the 2030 Agenda's commitment to peaceful, just and inclusive societies and providing recommendations for improving the quality and availability of SDG16 data.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 5

**Organizer:** SDG16 Data Initiative, UNITAR, International IDEA

12:30- 2:00pm  
8th July



### The Role of Women in Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions

Advancing women's roles in institutional and legislative bodies helps create inclusive societies and strong economies. This panel event will explore ways in which women with decision-making power actively shape the laws, policies, and programs that affect them, their families, and their communities. Relying on evidence-based case studies, panelists will discuss the development and implementation of successful strategies to provide women and girls with economic opportunities, equal rights, and inclusive participation in policy decisions and institution building.

**Location:** Bahá'í International Community's Office 866 United Nations Plaza

**Organizer:** American Bar Association, International Development Law Organization (IDLO)

## Tuesday 9th July

9th -18th July

### Education and Action for the SDGs “Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality”



Since 2016, Peace Boat’s vessel has been sailing around the world three times a year on global voyages for peace and sustainability. This exhibition will demonstrate how Peace Boat’s vessel has been used in partnership with other organizations and networks to further the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality. The exhibit focuses on SDGs 4, 16, and 17, and will feature the ‘Ecoship’ which will sail as a flagship for the SDGs and showcase renewable energy technologies, a marine research lab, an ecologically sustainable garden, and innovation to reduce our CO2 by 40%, highlighting SDG 13 for Climate Action.

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters  
**Organizer:** Peace Boat

09:00 - 10:00am  
 9th July

### OFFICIAL MEETING: Opening of the HLPF



Official opening of the High-level Political Forum: Scene setting. How far are we from the SDGs?

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF

10:00 - 1:00pm  
 9th July

### OFFICIAL MEETING: Progress, gaps and obstacles: are we on track for leaving no one behind?



This event will showcase global and regional dimensions and situations in countries at various levels of development, in particular SIDS, LDCs, LLDCs and African countries, as well as the particular challenges facing MiCs, including various characteristics, fragilities and vulnerabilities.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF

10:00 - 1:00pm  
 9th July

### Driving Transformative Change: Foreign Affairs and the 2030 Agenda (The relevance of the SDGs to foreign policy and international security)



This event will focus on leveraging the SDGs to attain core foreign policy objectives. High-level political decision-makers will examine how foreign policy can support SDG implementation, explore the SDGs’ links to peace and security, and highlight their broader implications on geopolitics. The discussion will focus on methods diplomats can use to incorporate SDGs in negotiations, advocacy, programming, and strategy development and how to prevent violence in fragile states through SDG implementation.

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, 871 United Nations Plaza 10017  
**Organizer:** adelphi and Permanent Mission of Germany to the UN

1:15 - 2:30pm  
9th July



## The role of Judicial Systems in the implementation of SDG 16 and its targets related to justice, peace, security and access to information

Awaiting description



**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Argentina to the UN

1:15 - 2:30pm  
9th July



## Towards a brighter future: ensuring security for people and planet by addressing the nexus of structural barriers and institutional coherence

Awaiting description



**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 5  
**Organizer:** UN Major Group for Children and Youth

6:30 - 8:00pm  
9th July



## SDG 10: Reducing inequalities, lessons from Poland: a catalyst for economic growth, poverty reduction and ensuring that no one is left behind

Awaiting description



**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 11  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Poland to the UN

### Wednesday 10th July

09:00 - 11:00am  
10th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Thematic review: Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality

Perspective of SIDS including main findings from mid-term review of the SAMOA Pathway.



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF

10:00 - 12:00pm  
10th July



## Showcasing Commitments for National Action: Civil Society Driving Progress on SDG16+

This side-event will provide a platform for civil society working at the national and local levels to showcase their work to advance SDG16 in their own contexts. It will also feature an opportunity for participants to share reflections on where some of the gaps in implementation or capacities might be around SDG16, and where additional support may be needed. It will also highlight examples of how civil society has come together around SDG16 collectively, such as the "commitments" being mobilized by civil society towards SDG16 by the TAP Network, as well as national SDG16 workshops hosted by a range of partners.

**Location:** UN Church Center, Tenth Floor  
**Organizer:** Transparency, Accountability & Participation (TAP) Network, Saferworld, the Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS), Namati (TBC), and the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC)

11:00 - 1:00pm  
10th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality: Perspectives of LDCs and LLDCs

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

1:00 - 2:30pm  
10th July



## Building Momentum: working together for all children to live free from violence

At this event, ChildFund Alliance will facilitate a discussion on creating initiatives such as 'child-friendly accountability', supporting children and their communities to end violence. Participants will share best practices and highlight innovative solutions for preventing and responding to violence against children.

**Location:** Volvo Hall, Scandinavia House, 58 Park Ave

**Organizer:** ChildFund Alliance

1:15 - 2:30pm  
10th July



## Reducing inequalities: a look at Persons with Disabilities

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 5

**Organizer:** Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities

1:15 - 2:30pm  
10th July



## VNR Lab 3: "Leaving no one behind" - Inclusive implementation and reporting

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 11

**Organizer:** Division for Inclusive Social Development

1:15 - 2:30pm  
10th July



## Protecting Youth and the Right to Education to leave no one behind: SDGs 4,8,10, 16 and 17

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 12

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Qatar to the UN

1:15 - 2:30pm  
10th July



## Good Practices at the Intersection of SDG 16 and Mass Atrocity Prevention: Operationalizing and Measuring Prevention.

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room B

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Belgium to the UN

1:15 - 2:45pm  
10th July



## Organized Crime, Arms Trafficking, and Illicit Financial Flows: Exploring SDG Target 16.4

During this event, experts will discuss the impact of Target 16.4 on broader sustainable development, highlighting the importance of reducing illicit financial and arms flows, strengthening the recovery and return of stolen assets, and combating organized crime. Panelists will outline methods to achieve these goals within the development agenda and discuss efforts since 2015 to advance SDG 16.4. Experts will also analyze the benefits and drawbacks of combining the three issues within one target and will explore forward-looking strategies to accelerate action toward achieving the SDGs.

**Location:** International Peace Institute, 777 United Nations Plaza 10017

**Organizer:** International Peace Institute, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime, Small Arms Survey and Global Financial Integrity

### Thursday 11th July

08:00 - 11:00am  
11th July



## Parliaments for Goal 16

The goal of this event is to highlight the important role that national parliaments play in achieving progress towards SDG 16. It will examine the efforts of all Commonwealth countries' parliaments to develop benchmarks for their own work related to peace, justice, and inclusion, with the aim to outline successful strategies and areas of potential improvement. Members of parliaments and legislatures will reflect on their past efforts to achieve SDG 16, share their vision on how they can further contribute to this goal, and identify ways to better measure parliamentary performance against SDG 16 indicators. RSVP: Monday 8th July 2019 to CP4D@wfd.org

**Location:** United Kingdom Mission to the UN, 885 Second Avenue 10017

**Organizer:** Westminster Foundation for Democracy & Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

08:15 - 09:00am  
11th July



## It takes a world to end violence against children: Partnering with civil society, citizens and children to achieve SDG16

Our ability to create an environment in which our children can thrive free from violence is vital to ensure sustainable development for generations to come. Achieving target 16.2 and other targets related to ending violence against children is a litmus test for the whole Agenda 2030 and especially for SDG 16. The purpose of this event is to discuss the importance, opportunities, and challenges to end violence against children by discussing different perspectives and data collected by civil society through their engagement with citizens and children. RSVP at: <https://bit.ly/2WFDIUE>

**Location:** Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street New York, NY 10017

**Organizer:** World Vision International

09:00 - 11:00am  
11th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Thematic review: Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality

Perspectives of society

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

09:30 - 12:00pm  
11th July

## Voices of Civil Society/SDG16+: Expert Roundtable

Closed door meeting - by invitation only



**Location:** International Peace Institute, 777 United Nations Plaza 10017  
**Organizer:** TAP, IPI, Saferworld and 'Voices of SDG16+' Campaign Partners

1:00 - 2:45pm  
11th July

## Voices of Civil Society/SDG16+: Policy Forum

At this event, peacebuilders and justice activists will share their experiences advancing SDG16+ implementation in their communities around the world. They will have the opportunity to tell their stories documenting their extraordinary efforts and will showcase best practices and innovative initiatives supporting SDG16+ implementation. Selected videos will also be featured during the event. This is an invitation only event.



**Location:** International Peace Institute, 777 United Nations Plaza 10017  
**Organizer:** International Peace Institute (IPI), Saferworld, TAP Network, with Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS), Conciliation Resources, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), Life&Peace Institute, Namati, Peace Direct, Article 19, Pax Christi International

1:00 - 2:45pm  
11th July

## Protecting the Rule of Law and Human Rights and Advancing Access to Justice: The role of parliaments

Awaiting description



**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Austria to the UN

1:00 - 2:45pm  
11th July

## Justice for Children, Justice for All: The Challenge to Achieve SDG16+ Initiative

The Justice for Children, Justice for All: The Challenge to Achieve SDG 16+ initiative highlights the distinct realities of justice for children internationally to promote peaceful, inclusive and just societies for all children. (Confirmed speakers are featured in the SDG16+ Festival Guide app.)



RSVP to [Marjolein.VanDooren@diplobel.fed.be](mailto:Marjolein.VanDooren@diplobel.fed.be)

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Belgium to the UN, One Dag Hammarskjold Plaza, 41st Floor, 885 Second Ave  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Belgium to the UN, Pathfinders, Office of the SRSG on Violence Against Children, CELCIS, University of Strathclyde, Terre des hommes, Defence for Children International

1:15 - 2:30pm  
11th July

## Regional contributions to empower people and promote equality: experiences, lessons learnt and way forward

Awaiting description



**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room F  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Thailand to the UN

6:30 - 8:00pm  
11th July



## Addressing land and conflict to achieve the SDGs through conflict-sensitive development

Land is understood as a root cause of conflict and a bottleneck to development. The Great Lakes is an example of how coherent and sustained engagement on land paves the way for conflict-sensitive management of natural resources and longer-term stability. Somalia and Afghanistan illustrate how land value can be captured by local governments to generate revenue, invest in basic resources, and rebuild the social contract. Fit-for-purpose approaches to land administration, more conflict sensitive investments, and stricter UN system-wide coherence (Secretary-General Guidance Note on land and conflict) create opportunities to sustain peace and accelerate the localization of the SDGs

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 11

**Organizer:** UN-Habitat, DPPA, DPO

3:00 - 6:00pm  
11th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Review of SDG implementation and interrelations among the goals: Discussion on SDG 10 - Reduced Inequalities

Awaiting Description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

### Friday 12th July

08:30 - 10:00am  
12th July



## Unseen and Unsafe: the underinvestment in ending violence against children in the Pacific and Timor-Leste

This event will showcase the Australian EVAC Coalition's new report, 'Ending Violence against Children in the Pacific and Timor-Leste'. The report outlines the scale of violence across the Pacific and Timor-Leste, specific drivers of violence in the region, and the human cost of violence against children. The event will highlight current strategies and programs implemented by Pacific Government partners to end violence against children and achieve Target 16.2.

**Location:** World Vision International, 919 2nd Avenue, 2nd Floor New York, NY 10017

**Organizer:** ChildFund Alliance. World Vision, Save the Children and Plan International

09:00 - 12:30pm  
12th July



## Multi-stakeholder perspectives on the implementation of SDG 16

Awaiting description.

**Location:** 4 West 43rd Street, New York, NY 10036

9:30 - 12:30pm  
12th July



## Launch of the Report on “Empowering Civil Society for Reporting and Action on SDG16”

Launch of the CSO Report on SDG16+.

**Location:** Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea 335 E. 45th St., New York, NY 10017  
**Organizer:** KCOC, ADA, TAP Network, forus, KOICA, Government of the Republic of Korea

10:00 - 12:00pm  
12th July



## ADDRESSING INEQUALITY & STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS: Lessons from Social Solidarity Economy Initiatives in Asian Countries

This session will feature grassroots stories of key developments in Asia where community-based economic initiatives are providing decent work (SDG 8), addressing inequality and overcoming discrimination (SDG 10), through initiatives restoring dignity and justice (SDG 16) through collective –solidarity based partnerships (SDG 17). For further details email: denisonasec@gmail.com .

**Location:** Bahá'í International Community, 866 United Nations Plaza, Suite 120, New York, NY 10017  
**Organizer:** Asian solidarity Economy (ASEC), RIPESS Global – Intercontinental Network for the Promotion of Social Solidarity Economy

10:00 - 1:00pm  
12th July



## Workshop: Practical tools for empowering people, access to justice and peaceful societies.

This workshop will introduce cutting-edge science and best practices from the field on what sustainable peace looks like, how it is achieved, and the structures and tools to scale and implement it. Experts will provide examples and tangible steps that can be added to Voluntary Action Plans by member states, NGOs, IGOs, and individual peacebuilders to overcome challenges to SDG implementation worldwide. The workshop will provide a space for relevant stakeholders to receive support, build innovative partnerships, and network with locally led peace initiatives.

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters Conference Room 5  
**Organizer:** Pathways to Peace

1:00 - 3:00pm  
12th July



## Illustrating the Power of Citizen Generated Data for Improved Public Service Delivery and SDG Accountability

This side event will focus on citizen generated data to inform public service delivery and SDG accountability.

**Location:** Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street New York, NY 10017  
**Organizer:** TAP Network, World Vision, and Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data

1:00 - 3:00pm  
12th July



## Power to the People: Civic space for climate justice, equality and decent work for all

From protecting the Amazon to exposing unprecedented inequality, concentration of power, and corruption, civil society is often on the front-lines working for a more just and inclusive world. Yet all too often, power holders are violating the fundamental freedoms (SDG 16.10) of the very people working for sustainable development instead of empowering them. It's time for a brave, bold vision that truly recognises and supports the central role of civil society (SDGs 16 and 17) in achieving climate justice (SDG 13), equality (SDG 10), and decent work for all (SDG 8). Speakers include Clément Nyaletsossi Voule – Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly – and civil society leaders from Brazil, Sudan, Colombia, and the Philippines. RSVP by 11 July to: [lyndal.rowlands@civicus.org](mailto:lyndal.rowlands@civicus.org)

**Location:** Ford Foundation, 320 E 43rd St, New York, NY, 10017 (Nelson Mandela Room)

**Organizer:** CIVICUS, Article 19, International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL), Center for Economic and Social Rights (CESR), Action for Sustainable Development (A4SD), Oxfam, Action Aid, Global Campaign Against Poverty (GCAP), NGO Major Group, Finland and OHCHR NY

1:15 - 2:30pm  
12th July



## Migration and Remittances and a Human Rights, equality and nondiscrimination approach in population and migration policies in Mexico so no one is left behind

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Mexico to the UN



1:15 - 2:30pm  
12th July



## Human rights are an intrinsic part of sustainable development – and sustainable development is a powerful vehicle for the realization of all human rights

At this event, high-level speakers will discuss the outcomes of the UN Human Rights Council Intersessional meeting on human rights and the 2030 Agenda and the value of human rights-based approaches in the implementation, monitoring and reporting on the SDGs and ensuring that we deliver on the central pledge of the 2030 Agenda - to leave no one behind.

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 1



1:15 - 2:30pm  
12th July



## Empowered while Criminalized: Multi-Stakeholder Strategies for Combating Stigma, Discrimination, Violence and Inequalities

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room A

**Organizer:** UNAIDS



3:00 - 6:00pm  
12th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Review of SDG implementation and interrelations among the goals: Discussion on SDG 16 - Peace, justice and strong institutions

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF



12:30 - 2:30pm  
12th July



## Gender Equal Arms Control: – Leveraging the 2030 Agenda to Promote Peace

The presence of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) impedes development and regional stability and aggravates irregular migration and gender-based violence. Yet the gendered nature of armed violence as well as women’s meaningful participation in arms control efforts remains insufficiently addressed. In partnership with African nations, this side event will outline lessons learned from regional roadmaps, feature experiences from arms control experts, and identify pathways to strengthen meaningful participation of women to devise comprehensive and gender equal SALW control measures.

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, 871 United Nations Plaza, New York, Auditorium

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, Pathfinders, African Women Leaders Network (AWLN), African Union

6:30 - 8:00pm  
12th July



## No Global Goals without Civic Space

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 1

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Denmark

6:30 - 8:00pm  
12th July



## Countering corruption, organized crime and terrorism to disrupt the generation of proceeds of crime, prevent illicit financial flows and facilitating the recovery of stolen assets to support domestic resource mobilization for sustainable development

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 5

**Organizer:** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

6:30 - 8:00pm  
12th July



## Human rights – a transformative framework for the achievement of SDGs 13 and 16

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 12

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Tuvalu to the UN

6:30 - 8:00pm  
12th July



## Strengthening public education systems and lifelong learning opportunities for all: building inclusion and equality

Awaiting description

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room A

**Organizer:** Education and Academia Stakeholder Group (EASG)

## Saturday 13th July

6:30 - 8:00pm  
13th July



### Breakout session: Effective Development Co-operation in Fragile Contexts (Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation's Senior-Level Meeting)

Drawing on the findings of the 2018 Global Partnership Monitoring Round, this breakout session will discuss key bottlenecks and share lessons on upholding internationally-agreed effectiveness principles in fragile contexts, and introduce the tailored approach to monitoring effectiveness in fragile contexts that will be rolled out in the next Global Partnership Monitoring Round. Bringing concrete examples at the country-level, this session will explore how governments, development partners, and national development actors in fragile contexts are working to embed effectiveness into partnerships.

**Location:** United Nations Headquarters

**Organizer:** Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (GPEDC), OECD, UNDP, Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS), CPDE

## Monday 15th July

08:00 - 09:30am  
15th July



### Leave no Child Behind: Achieving the SDGs through investing in the Rights of the Child

Awaiting description

**Location:** UNHQ West Terrace or UNICEF, 3 United Nations Plaza

**Organizer:** Indonesia, UNICEF

09:00 - 11:00am  
15th July



### OFFICIAL MEETING: Are we on track for mobilizing the trillions we need for the SDGs?

From the ECOSOC FFD Forum to the General Assembly high-level dialogue on financing for development

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

10:00 - 1:00pm  
15th July



### Holding Duty-Bearers Accountable to the SDGs: A Workshop for Civil Society

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Church Center, 10th Floor

**Organizer:** TAP Network and Action for Sustainable Development

11:00 - 2:00pm  
15th July



### OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews (Second Timers)

Voluntary national reviews (VNRs) for: Azerbaijan, Chile, Philippines, Sierra Leone, Guatemala, Indonesia, and Turkey

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

1:15 - 2:30pm  
15th July



## Walking out of Fragility: Education and Justice for All

This event will focus on the key building blocks Sierra Leone has laid out to permanently exit fragility. The discussion will primarily focus on achievements of goals 4 and 16 in exiting fragility and building resilience for sustainable development in the country. It will also shed light on achievement of goals 8, 10, 13 and 17, integrated with 4 and 16 in addressing fragility and achieving sustainable development.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 12

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone to the UN

3:00 - 6:00pm  
15th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Four years of VNRs: what have we learned from implementing the SDGs?

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

4:00 - 5:15pm  
15th July



## A Dialogue for Peace: Delivering SDG 16+ in conflict-affected situations Ministerial launch of the IDPS 2019-21 Peace Vision

The co-chairs of the IDPS will lead this ministerial launch by committing to the IDPS Peace Vision. They will discuss the Peace Vision's content, themes, underlying political support, and contribution to the delivery of SDG 16+, with reference to overarching themes such as support for civil society, conflict sensitivity, gender sensitivity, inclusive governance, and nationally owned and led pathways out of conflict. This will be followed by a high-level panel discussion, representing the three IDPS constituencies and involving 7+ minister(s) and high-level INCAF/CSPPS representation.

**Location:** Canada's Permanent Mission to the UN; 466 Lexington Ave, 20th floor

**Organizer:** International Dialogue on Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (IDPS), Canada, Sierra Leone

4:30 - 6:30pm  
15th July



## Multi-stakeholder Panel: SDG 16+ Lessons learned in implementation, partnerships and the way forward

The Panel will bring together representatives from the Community of Democracies, International IDEA, global and regional organizations, as well as multi-stakeholder initiatives, and civil society, working on the advancement of SDG 16+. The two-hour meeting will discuss challenges encountered and achievements made in SDG 16+ implementation, identifying solutions and strategies which could be put in place in the short term to advance with Goal 16+. We hope you will be able to join us in this important event and would greatly appreciate your confirmation by July 12 to [events@community-democracies.org](mailto:events@community-democracies.org).

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**Location:** Uganda House, 336 E 45th St, New York

**Organizer:** Community of Democracies, International IDEA

5:00 - 6:00pm



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Wrap-up session of the first five days of HLPF

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF

5:00 - 6:30pm



## EndViolence "Safe to Learn"

This event aims to encourage and deepen political action to provide a safe environment where students can learn and thrive. The Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children will come together with key stakeholders, Ministers, education leaders and delegates to raise awareness about violence in schools; to celebrate successes in ending violence against children; and to provide a platform for key stakeholders and partners to showcase new commitments and endorse the Call to Action. During the reception with a moderated dialogue, country representatives, new commitment makers, CSO representatives, and youth advocates will highlight their efforts to end violence against children in schools.

This is a closed event. URL: <http://www.end-violence.org/safetolearn>  
Email: [SafetoLearn@end-violence.org](mailto:SafetoLearn@end-violence.org)

**Location:** TBC  
**Organizer:** Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children & Department for International Development (DFID)

5:30 - 7:30pm  
15th July



## "Justice for All"

This event will showcase the findings of the Task Force on Justice's flagship 'Justice for All' report, encouraging countries and other stakeholders to make accelerated commitments to put people at the heart of justice systems around the world. Participants will hear remarks from the co-chairs of the Task Force on Justice and other senior representatives. This event will also feature the 2019 prize ceremony for the Namati Grassroots Justice Award.

A networking reception will follow.

**Location:** Millennium Hotel, One United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017  
**Organizer:** Task Force on Justice, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the UN, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Argentina to the UN, Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone to the UN, The Elders, Namati, Open Society Justice Initiative

6:30 - 8:00pm  
15th July



## Empowering People and Ensuring Inclusiveness and Equality: Tonga, experience of a SIDS country

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 1  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Tonga to the UN

6:30 - 8:00pm  
15th July



## Reducing Poverty and Promoting Equality

Awaiting description

This is a closed event. URL: <http://www.end-violence.org/safetolearn>  
Email: [SafetoLearn@end-violence.org](mailto:SafetoLearn@end-violence.org)

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 12  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the UN

## Tuesday 16th July

1:30 - 3:00pm  
17th July



### Governance for the SDGs: Learning from country experiences and defining an agenda for the future

This event will provide a platform for peer-to-peer exchange among countries on governance challenges and opportunities of implementing the SDGs in a national context. The new publication, 'Governance for the SDGs: Country Experiences in using Governance Tools to Enhance SDG Implementation', will be launched and participants will discuss the Global Hub for the Governance of the SDGs – a future initiative that will use insights from OECD member countries to advance the 2030 Agenda.

**Location:** UNHQ, Conference Room 5

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Romania to the UN, Permanent Mission of Iceland to the UN, OECD

09:00 - 11:00am  
16th July



### OFFICIAL MEETING: Opening of High-level Segment of ECOSOC / Ministerial Segment of HLPF

ECOSOC President / Main messages from first week; PGA; SG; Keynote speakers on the role of HLPF Summit in implementation of the 2030 Agenda and on children and the SDGs

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF



10:00 - 2:00pm  
16th July



### OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Algeria, Burkina Faso, Iceland, Kazakhstan, Lesotho, Pakistan, Palau, and the United Kingdom

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF



12:00 - 2:00pm  
16th July



### The role of long-term pathways and effective Public Management Systems in delivering on national strategies for the SDGs

Participants at this event will discuss how countries can use strategic visioning and effective long-term planning to deliver on their SDG commitments. The event will consist of two high-level panels on 'Long-term Pathways for the SDGs' and 'Leveraging Public Management Systems for Delivering on the SDGs'. Speakers will highlight opportunities and challenges to creating more evidence-based policies for sustainable development and the role that public management systems (e.g., public budgeting, procurement, and human resource management) can play in ensuring lasting inclusiveness and equality.

**Location:** Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the UN, 305 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017

**Organizer:** United Arab Emirates, OECD and Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)

1:15 - 2:30pm  
16th July



## Breaking silos: Showcasing integrated solutions to help achieve SDG 16, gender and land related SDGs

This side event asks a range of questions regarding how integrated and inclusive approaches can help to advance SDG 16, gender, and land-related goals. The event will feature success stories, strategies of civil society networks to sustain peace and prevent violence in the context of land, the meaning of inclusivity at policy level and a discussion on the next steps to accelerate integration on the global and local level. In addition the side event aims to build closer partnerships with those working on land, gender and conflict related SDGs and strengthening links to other international commitments.

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, 871 United Nations Plaza 10017  
**Organizer:** FriEnt - Working Group on Peace and Development

1:15 - 2:30pm  
16th July



## SDG India Index: Improving subnational focus on empowerment, inclusiveness and equality

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 5  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of India to the UN

1:15 - 2:30pm  
16th July



## SDG16 in the Pacific: Strengthening and Legitimizing Institutions to Achieve Sustainable Development.

This side event aims to share insights from the Pacific region on measuring SDG16, Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions. Panelists will address questions such as: How can countries find enough high-quality information to efficiently guide prioritisation and shape policy? What opportunities are there to use the SDGs to better promote the region's priorities? While the realities faced by the Pacific may be unique, approaches to overcome challenges in SDG reporting are not, with lessons applicable to many countries and regions around the world.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 11  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Australia to the UN, Permanent Mission of Samoa to the UN

1:15 - 2:30pm  
16th July



## Leaving No Child Behind: A Multi-Stakeholders Dialogue on Investing in Children to achieve the SDGs and Ending Violence against Children

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 12  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the UN

1:15 - 2:45pm  
16th July



## Achieving Access to Justice through Partnership: The Global South Leading the Way

In 2015, member states committed to delivering access to justice for all by 2030. But this year a report by the Pathfinders Task Force on Justice found that 5.1 billion people still do not have access to justice. At this event, participants will discuss: how is this gap going to be bridged? RSVP to: [aidan.harris@opensocietyfoundations.org](mailto:aidan.harris@opensocietyfoundations.org) , [gmirugi-mukundi@uwc.ac.za](mailto:gmirugi-mukundi@uwc.ac.za) .

**Location:** Millennium Hotel, One United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017  
**Organizer:** Open Society Justice Initiative, Mott Foundation

1:15 - 2:45pm  
16th July (TBD)



## The Role of Transformative Education in Dealing with the Challenges of Our Times

This side event will highlight key dimensions of transformative education and how it contributes to sustainable development. The high-level panel will focus on the role of transformative education in coping with global challenges, how it complements traditional education in transmitting knowledge and skills, and how it could best incorporate information and communications technology (ICT) inside and outside of the classroom. The panelists will outline ways to better engage youth in tackling global challenges and explore how transformative education fosters mutual understanding and respect among different peoples and cultures.

**Location:** Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, 335 E. 45th St.  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, GoF of SDG10

3:00 - 4:00pm  
16th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: What are regions telling us about implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs?

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF



3:30 - 6:30pm  
16th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Fiji, and Mongolia

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF



4:30 - 6:00pm  
16th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: General Debate

SG report on theme of ECOSOC 2019 session, Introduction of CDP report, General debate

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF



6:15 - 7:30pm  
16th July



## "SDG16+ and the Future We Want"

This side event aims to showcase 'what works' to achieve progress on SDG16+ at all levels, galvanize political will for investment in evidence-based actions, and empower all – including the youth – to accelerate progress on SDG16+. It will feature the importance of SDG16+, its interlinkages to all SDGs, and as an enabler of the 2030 Agenda. Additionally, it will celebrate national experiences of SDG 16 and will encourage political will and forward-looking commitments to accelerate SDG16+ implementation in the next four-year cycle of the 2030 Agenda.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, ECOSOC Chamber  
**Organizer:** Pathfinders, Global Alliance, 16+ Forum, TAP Network, LexisNexis and United Kingdom Mission to the UN



7:30 - 9:30pm  
16th July



## “SDG16+ and the Future We Want”: Reception

The Commitments Reception will follow the HLPF side event SDG16+ and the Future We Want. It will present an opportunity for member states, international organizations and stakeholders to exchange knowledge of successful policies advancing social, economic and political inclusion and peace, as well as galvanize forward-looking commitments to accelerate the progress towards achieving SDG16+ targets. It will aim to create a tangible outline for the delivery of these commitments that could be used to measure progress towards SDG16+ over the next SDG cycle.

**Location:** Ford Foundation (Reception), 320 E 43rd St, 10017

**Organizer:** Pathfinders, Global Alliance, 16+ Forum, TAP Network, LexisNexis and United Kingdom Mission to the UN

6:30 - 8:00pm  
16th July



## SIDS & SDG16 Promoting Peaceful Societies

This side event will encourage discussion on several more daunting, yet imperative issues related to SDG 16, including ways to promote and reinforce quality institution building. The discussion will touch on the challenges, opportunities, and innovative measures taken by SIDS to enhance the performance of public institutions as it relates to SDG 16. The event will help bring to light the tools and instruments best used to support institution building (e.g., trust, integrity, transparency, and accountability) and to create the necessary conditions at the national and international level to achieve SDG 16.

**Location:** UNHQ Conference Room A

**Organizer:** Kingdom of the Netherlands, Government of Aruba, Belize and UNDP

6:30 - 8:00pm  
16th July



## Agenda 2030 at a crossroad - How do we ensure an integrated approach in tackling climate-related security risks, conflict and inequality?

Since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the world has seen unprecedented manifestations of climate change. In this event, participants will discuss the nexus between climate action (SDG13), conflicts and inequalities (SDGs 16 and 10), exploring successful approaches and remaining gaps in the effort to reach all three goals.

**Location:** UNHQ Conference Room 1

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Sweden to the UN, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (Sipri)

6:30 - 8:00pm  
16th July



## Equal Opportunities in the Labor Market

Awaiting description

**Location:** UNHQ Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia to the UN

6:30 - 8:00pm  
16th July



## Promoting peaceful societies & safe communities, the responsibility of the State in Small Island Developing States

Awaiting description

**Location:** UNHQ Conference Room A

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of the Netherlands

## Wednesday 17th July

08:00 - 09:30am  
17th July

### Reducing inequalities by promoting a just and inclusive transition with ambitious climate action



Awaiting description



**Location:** UNHQ Conference Room 7  
**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of France

08:15 - 10:30am  
17th July

### Jobs 4 Peace: Employment, Livelihoods and Peacebuilding – Centenary Event



In the framework of ILO’s Centenary, this joint event will showcase ILO’s long-lasting commitment to peacebuilding by promoting equal opportunities to employment and livelihoods. Speakers will include: H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations; Mr. Vladimir Voronkov, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Office; Ms. Barrie Lynne Freeman, Director and Deputy Head of PBSO; Ms. Glauca Boyer, Team Leader for Migration, Displacement, and Reintegration at UNDP; and Ms. Mito Tsukamoto, Chief of the Development and Investment Branch of the Employment Policy Department of ILO.



**Location:** Delegate’s Dining Room, UN Headquarters  
**Organizer:** United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office (UN-PSBO), Government of Switzerland, International Labour Organization (ILO)

09:00 - 2:00pm  
17th July

### OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Kuwait, Mauritius, New Zealand, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Serbia, South Africa, and Tonga



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF



09:00 - 11:00am  
17th July

### Building Momentum on the Grand Challenge on Inequality and Exclusion

The side event aims to build support and deepen engagement amongst member states and key stakeholders striving to advance social, economic, and political inclusion and equality. The event will feature examples of successful policy initiatives taken by a number of countries and stakeholders to deal with rising inequality and exclusion; will highlight examples of international and national implementation and commitment, with a focus on innovative approaches, visions, models, and tools that member states have developed; and will launch a new ‘challenge paper’ on the grand challenge of inequality and exclusion.



**Location:** Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations, 335 E. 45th St., TBD  
**Organizer:** Pathfinders, Governments of Korea, Sweden, Tunisia and Indonesia

10:00 - 1:00pm  
17th July

## OFFICIAL MEETING: General debate of ECOSOC and HLPF (continuation)

Awaiting description



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber  
**Organizer:** UN HLPF



1:15 - 2:30pm  
17th July

## Malaysia & DCAF side-event on Linking Peace, Justice and Security through Good Governance in SDG16

This event will focus on the theme of linking peace, security and justice through good governance in SDG16, emphasizing the role of ombuds institutions to achieve 16.6

**Location:** UNHQ, Conference Room B  
**Organizer:** DCAF - Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance and Malaysia Permanent Mission to the United Nations



1:15 - 2:00pm  
17th July

## SDG16 in Conflict-Affected Situations: Ambition vs. Reality

This side event brings together conflict-affected countries and aims to transform their shared history of fragility into a mutually-beneficial engagement on their way to development. During the event, each state will showcase the progress it has made toward achieving the targets on SDG 16, highlighting successful policies for building a peaceful and stable society. The participants and their development partners will identify common trends between countries and prioritize policy actions that will enable conflict-affected states in their pursuit of peace, justice and inclusion.

RSVP to: [rsvp@afghanistan-un.org](mailto:rsvp@afghanistan-un.org)

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room A  
**Organizer:** g7+ Secretariat; Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone; Permanent Mission of Timor-Leste; Permanent Mission of Korea; Pathfinders



1:15 - 2:30pm  
17th July



## National experiences towards the reduction of inequalities - SDG 10: good practices, achievements and main challenges.

At this side-event, the governments of Colombia and Uruguay will present national experiences and successes in implementing SDG10. Panelists will present innovating strategies and lessons learned on how countries can promote the reduction of inequalities, and what role civil society and other actors can play to promote these efforts.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 12

**Organizer:** Government of Colombia (National Planning Department), Government of Uruguay (Budget and Planning Office)

1:15 - 2:45pm  
17th July



## Small Asks for Big Impact: Investing in the early years for sustainable development and peaceful societies

Experiences during early childhood shape the very architecture of the developing brain, establishing the foundation for future learning, behavior, and well-being. To achieve the SDGs, the world cannot afford to neglect a critical window of opportunity to address the “triple nexus” of humanitarian response, sustainable development, and peace and security by underinvesting in the early years. This side event will highlight contributions of quality early childhood development programming to achieving SDG 4, SDG 16, and many others.

**Location:** UNICEF House

**Organizer:** Missions of Bangladesh and Rwanda, UNICEF, Moving Minds Alliance, Early Childhood Peace Consortium, NGO Committee on Migration

1:15 - 2:30pm  
17th July



## The crucial role of international criminal justice in achieving SDG16

On International Justice Day, the day of the adoption of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court in 1998, the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Ecuador, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands, Norway, Sierra Leone, and Spain as well as Parliamentarians for Global Action will host a high-level side event to highlight the crucial role of international criminal justice in achieving SDG 16.

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 1

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein to the UN, Permanent Mission of Argentina to the UN, Permanent Mission of Spain to the UN, Permanent Mission of Sweden to the UN, Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone to the UN, Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the UN, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands to the UN, Permanent Mission of Norway to the UN, Parliamentarians for Global Action

1:15 - 2:30pm  
17th July



## Accelerating the SDGs: Why migration matters

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 8

**Organizer:** International Organization for Migration (IOM)

1:15 - 2:30pm  
17th July



## Taking action on equality, inclusion and empowerment in Asia and the Pacific

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room A

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Timor-Leste

1:15 - 2:30pm  
17th July



## Linking peace, justice and development through good governance: the role of independent oversight bodies in creating more peaceful and just societies

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room B

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Malaysia

1:30 - 3:00pm  
17th July



## Governance for the SDGs: Learning from country experiences and defining an agenda for the future

This event will provide a platform for peer-to-peer exchange among countries on governance challenges and opportunities of implementing the SDGs in a national context. The new publication, 'Governance for the SDGs: Country Experiences in using Governance Tools to Enhance SDG Implementation', will be launched and participants will discuss the Global Hub for the Governance of the SDGs – a future initiative that will use insights from OECD member countries to advance the 2030 Agenda.

**Location:** UNHQ CR5 Conference Room 5

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Romania to the UN, Permanent Mission of Iceland to the UN, OECD

1:30pm  
17th July



## 2019 Multidimensional Poverty Index: Illuminating Inequalities

The presentation of key findings of the 2019 global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), will be followed by a high-level discussion of trends in multidimensional poverty and inequality among the poor. [RSVP](#) required by 16 July. Space is limited.

**Location:** Japan Society, 333 E 47th Street, New York

**Organizer:** UNDP

3:00 - 6:00pm  
17th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: General debate of ECOSOC and HLPF (continuation)

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

3:30 - 6:30pm  
17th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Chad, Ghana, Israel, Timor Leste, United Republic of Tanzania, and Vanuatu

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

5:00 - 7:00pm  
17th July



## How Legal Empowerment Advances the Sustainable Development Goals: A Conversation with the 2019 Grassroots Justice Prize Winners

This conversation will be opened with remarks by the winners of the 2019 Grassroots Justice Prize on how their work advances legal empowerment and extends access to justice in the communities they serve. The winners will then be joined by a leading group of access to justice thought leaders to discuss global processes and opportunities to advance legal empowerment through the Sustainable Development Goals.

**Location:** NYU School of Law, Vanderbilt Hall 40 Washington Square South, Room 216

**Organizer:** Robert L. Bernstein Institute for Human Rights at NYU Law, Namati, Justice For All, Pathfinders Task Force on Justice, NLADA, and Open Government Partnership (OGP)

6:30 - 8:30pm  
17th July



## Youth, technology and the rule of law: hackathons to educate and empower youth to act on SDG 16

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 11

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of South Africa



### Thursday 18th July

08:00 - 09:00am  
18th July



## VNR Lab 16: Catalyzing partnerships for SDG implementation

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 11

**Organizer:** Division for Sustainable Development Goals



08:00 - 09:30am  
18th July



## UN-Business Roundtable, Action Platform for Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions: Less Platform. More Action

The session will bring together businesses, government, and UN bodies with the aim of building a compelling narrative and finding common ground to advance Goal 16 at the global and local level. The event will aim to secure commitments from governments and businesses to support the UN Global Compact's effort to host country consultations through the Action Platform for Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions and ultimately move towards "Less Platform. More Action". Registration is required: <https://bakerxchange.com/s/02957fdd680d2eae67cb06cf5af23454a46101c/h=ff004d27040defb503fdb-896094bab83bd470a04>

**Location:** Baker McKenzie, 452 Fifth Ave, New York (Entrance on 40th St.)

**Organizer:** Global Compact

08:00 - 09:00am  
18th July



## DCAF-NYU/CIC expert roundtable on the role of independent oversight bodies in SDG 16.6 and 16.A

This event will focus on the role of independent oversight bodies in achieving SDG 16.6 and 16.A. Breakfast will be served at 8:00am. The expert roundtable starts at 8:30am.

**Location:** Millennium Hotel, One United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017

**Organizer:** DCAF - Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance and NYU/CIC

09:00 - 1:00pm  
18th July



## OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Congo, Guyana, Iraq, Liechtenstein, Oman, and Nauru

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF



10:00 - 5:00pm  
18th July



## Goal 16 Action Platform Meeting (closed)

Awaiting description

**Location:** Baker McKenzie, 452 Fifth Avenue 10018

**Organizer:** Global Compact

1:15 - 2:30pm  
18th July



## Leaving no one behind in the transition to more sustainable economies: new and inclusive approaches to achieve a just transformation

Awaiting description

**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 1

**Organizer:** Permanent Mission of Slovenia



1:15 - 2:30pm  
18th July



## SDG16 as key enabler for the whole of Agenda 2030: Measuring, monitoring and beyond / Monitoring SDG 16

This side-event will explore SDG 16's potential to unlock the transformations needed to achieve the 2030 Agenda. It will provide an interactive space to share experiences from the Praia City Group initiatives to measure and monitor SDG 16 and beyond. High-level experts on governance – including members of the GSDR – will use case studies to explore innovative ways that citizens can participate in decision-making processes and the ways in which SDG 16 can be a key driver for societal empowerment.

**Location:** UN Headquarters

**Organizer:** Cabo Verde – INECV (Statistics Office of Cabo Verde) Co-organizers: UNDP and the French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD)



3:00 - 4:00pm  
18th July

## OFFICIAL MEETING: Voluntary national reviews

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Mauritania and Turkmenistan



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

3:00 - 5:30pm  
18th July

## OFFICIAL MEETING: General debate of ECOSOC and HLPF (continuation)

Individual voluntary national reviews (VNRs): Mauritania and Turkmenistan



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

4:00 - 5:30pm  
18th July

## OFFICIAL MEETING: Lessons learned from the first cycle of HLPF

Messages for 2019 HLPF Summit: What should Heads of State and Government know and how can we improve the HLPF?



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

5:30 - 6:00pm  
18th July

## OFFICIAL MEETING: Adoption of the draft procedural report of the HLPF. Conclusion of the HLPF

Awaiting description



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

5:30 - 6:00pm  
18th July

## Expert Workshop on Measuring Quality Legal Aid

This is a group meeting of civil society organizations and national level experts engaged in justice reform to discuss quality standards and measures for legal aid.



**Location:** UN Headquarters, Conference Room 4

**Organizer:** UN HLPF

## Friday 19th July

10:00 - 2:00pm  
19th July



### Expert Group Meeting on Access to Justice

The purpose of this meeting is to advance progress towards Sustainable Development Goal 16 Target 16.3 by identifying fundamental elements of a well-functioning criminal justice system and sharing appropriate measures that can be used to guide data gathering.

**Location:** LexisNexis Offices, 230 Park Avenue 10019

**Organizer:** The Rule of Law Foundation; the International Legal Foundation (ILF); Fair Trials

# Social Media

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We will be promoting SDG16+ content at HLPF under one hashtag:

**#CommitToSDG16Plus**

General: #HLPF2019 #SDG16Plus

Peace: #CommitToPeace

Justice: #CommitToJustice #JusticeForAll

Inclusion: #CommitToInclusion

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We encourage you to use a combination of these hashtags in your tweets and social media posts throughout the week.

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Website



## The Roadmap for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies

The Roadmap for Peaceful, Just And Inclusive Societies was first launched in September 2017 at the 72nd Session of the UN General Assembly, and revised in July 2019 for the High-level Political Forum. The roadmap provides a shared vision for how to deliver the 2030 Agenda targets for peaceful, just and inclusive societies (SDG16+).

Get your copy at: <https://www.sdg16.plus/roadmap>

## Justice for All – The report of the Task Force on Justice

Drawing on research by the world's leading justice organizations and experts, the report of the Task Force on Justice provides a first estimate of the global justice gap, and makes the case for shifting from a model that provides justice only for the few, to one that delivers measurable improvements in justice for all.

Get your copy at: [www.justice.sdg16.plus/report](http://www.justice.sdg16.plus/report)

## Grand Challenge on Inequality and Exclusion – Challenge Paper

Inequality is one of the most pressing political issues of our age. This paper identifies practical and politically viable solutions to meet the SDG targets on equitable and inclusive societies, such as ensuring political inclusion and countering polarization; addressing spatial inclusion; outlining fiscal compromises; highlighting innovative social protection and social services; and exploring the challenges and benefits of new technology, including the informalization of employment.

Get your copy at: [www.cic.nyu.edu/publications/challenge-paper-inequality-and-exclusion](http://www.cic.nyu.edu/publications/challenge-paper-inequality-and-exclusion) (Available July 17th)

## Challenge paper: “Disarmament, Development Gender and Violence Prevention”

This challenge paper outlines the centrality of disarmament within the broader context of violence prevention, connecting the discussion squarely to the beneficial inclusion of women and pulling examples from across the African continent to provide context to the debate. It also proposes limited next steps to help advance cooperation and thinking.

Get your copy at: [www.sdg16.plus](http://www.sdg16.plus)

## Enabling the implementation of the 2030 Agenda through SDG16+: Anchoring peace, justice and inclusion

This report has been developed by the Global Alliance for Reporting Progress on Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies. It seeks to help governments to conduct participatory planning, monitoring and reporting by drawing together stakeholders and data from all parts of government, civil society, youth, and the private sector.

Get your copy at: <https://www.sdg16hub.org/system/files/2019-07/Global%20Alliance%2C%20SDG%2016%2B%20Global%20Report.pdf>

## Challenge paper: “Disarmament, Development Gender and Violence Prevention”

This declaration created by TAP Network members and other partner CSO coalitions outlines recommendations and calls-to-action for accelerating progress on SDG16+.

Get your copy at: <https://tapnetwork2030.org/romedeclaration/>

# The Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies

## Member States

 Afghanistan	 Guatemala	 Sierra Leone
 Argentina	 Indonesia	 Somalia
 Brazil	 Jordan	 Sri Lanka
 Canada	 Liberia	 Sweden
 Central African Republic	 Liechtenstein	 Switzerland
 Colombia	 Mexico	 Timor-Leste
 The Czech Republic	 The Netherlands	 Tunisia
 Ethiopia	 Norway	 United Kingdom
 Georgia	 Qatar	 Uruguay
 Germany	 Republic of Korea	
 Ghana	 Rwanda	

## International organizations and global partnerships supporting the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies

United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations Development Programme, UN Global Compact, UN Habitat, UNICEF, United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UN Women, World Bank.

16+ Forum, Alliance 8.7, g7+, Geneva Peacebuilding Platform, Global Alliance for Reporting Progress on Peaceful, Just, and Inclusive Societies, Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict, Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children, Namati, Open Government Partnership, Transparency, Accountability & Participation (TAP) Network.

## Partners for the grand challenge on justice

Bingham Centre on the Rule of Law, Cordaid, The Elders, Hague Institute for Innovation of Law, The International Center for Transitional Justice, International Development Law Organization, International Development Research Centre, International Legal Assistance Consortium, the Justice for All Campaign, Knowledge Platform Security & Rule of Law, Microjustice4All, Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Namati, Overseas Development Institute, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Open Government Partnership, Open Society Justice Initiative, University of South Carolina Rule of Law Collaborative, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UNODC – INEGI Center of Excellence, UN Women, White & Case LLP, World Bank, World Justice Project.

## Partners for the grand challenge on inequality and exclusion

CIVICUS, Georgetown Institute for Women Peace and Security, Global Centre for Pluralism, International Trade Union Confederation, Inuka Foundation, Jasmine Foundation, New School for Social Research, Open Society Foundations, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Oxfam, United Nations, World Bank.

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