



Launch Event

Pathways for consensus-building

Online | Tuesday, 01 June 2021 | 9-10:30 EST, 15-16:30 CET

In English | En Français | En Español

Program

1. Introduction & Opening

We will discuss the importance of consensual processes for achieving sustainable development and leaving no one behind:

Heidmarie Wieczorek-Zeul, Council for Sustainable Development (RNE), Germany

Namhla Mniki-Mangaliso (Moderation), African Monitor, South Africa

Victoria Diekkamp-Reimann (Moderation), RNE-Office, Germany

2. Creating spaces for action and a constructive partnership with governments

We will discuss the role of multi-stakeholder advisory bodies for sustainable development, as well as their value-added for national governments:

Jan Mertens, Federal Council for Sustainable Development, Belgium

Filipe Duarte Santos, National Council on Environment and Sustainable Development, Portugal

Natia Tsikaradze, SDG Secretariat, Georgia / **Tamar Iakobidze**, Caucasus Environmental NGO Network, Georgia

3. Diverse pathways of how to establish a council - challenges and experiences

Since the 2030 Agenda came into being, follow-up and review at national level has witnessed enormous efforts to install ad hoc multi-stakeholder platforms for dialogue. We will discuss what is needed to consolidate these ad hoc platforms into long-term supporting structures for governments and SDG delivery:

Magloire Augustin Aguessy, SDG Coordination Unit, Benin / **Armand Vignon**, Maison de la Société Civile, Benin

Florence Syevuo, SDGs Kenya Forum, Kenya

Ana Patricia Muñoz, Grupo FARO, Ecuador

4. Closing & Dialogue on the role of multi-stakeholder advisory bodies globally

We will discuss the value-added of multi-stakeholder advisory bodies for national policy processes, as well as international follow-up and review at the HLPF:

Irena Zubcevic, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Annika Lindblom, Commission for Sustainable Development, Finland

Heidmarie Wieczorek-Zeul, Council for Sustainable Development (RNE), Germany