

The Road to HLPF 2019: Preparing and presenting quality VNRs



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The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The 2030 Agenda is A Plan of Action for People, the Planet & Prosperity

It is Universal, Indivisible and Ambitious

People end poverty and hunger, dignity and equality for all in a healthy environment

The 5 "Ps":



Planet protection from degradation, changes in consumption and production patterns, sustainable management of natural resources, urgent action on climate change

Prosperity prosperous and fulfilling lives, economic, social and technological progress in harmony with nature

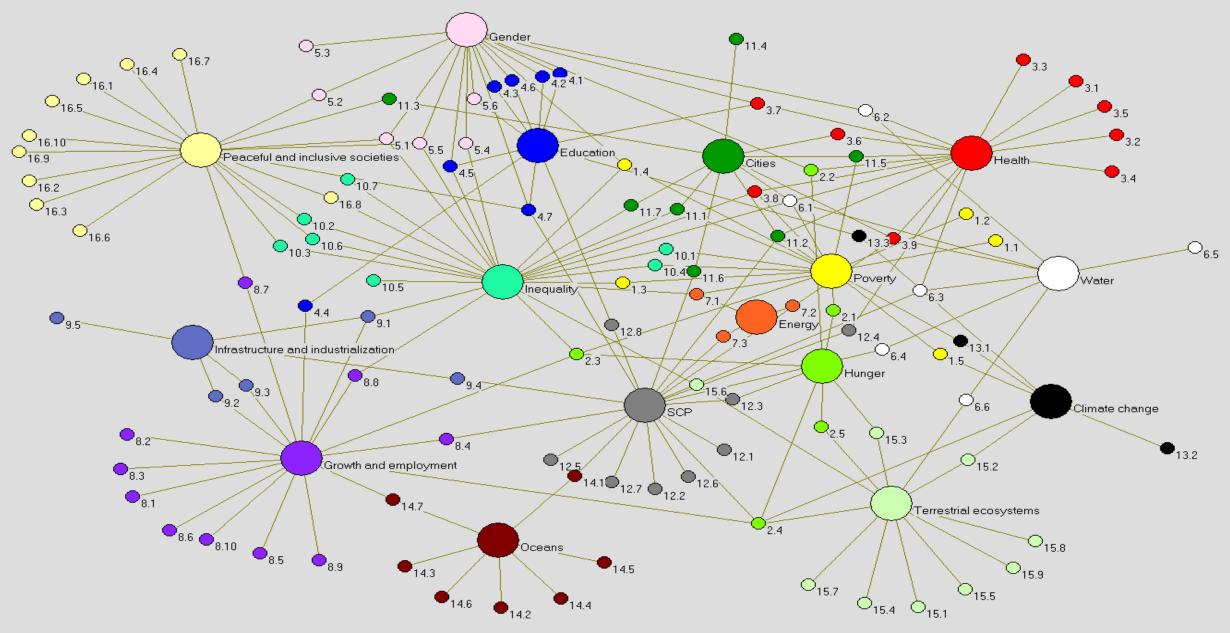


Peace peaceful, just and inclusive societies

Partnership mobilizing means for implementation of the Agenda through strengthened global solidarity focusing on poorest and most vulnerable and participation of all countries, all stakeholders and all people



The SDGs are interlinked



Source: D. Le Blanc, 2015, "Towards integration at last? The sustainable development goals as a network of targets, Sustainable Development, 23,3.

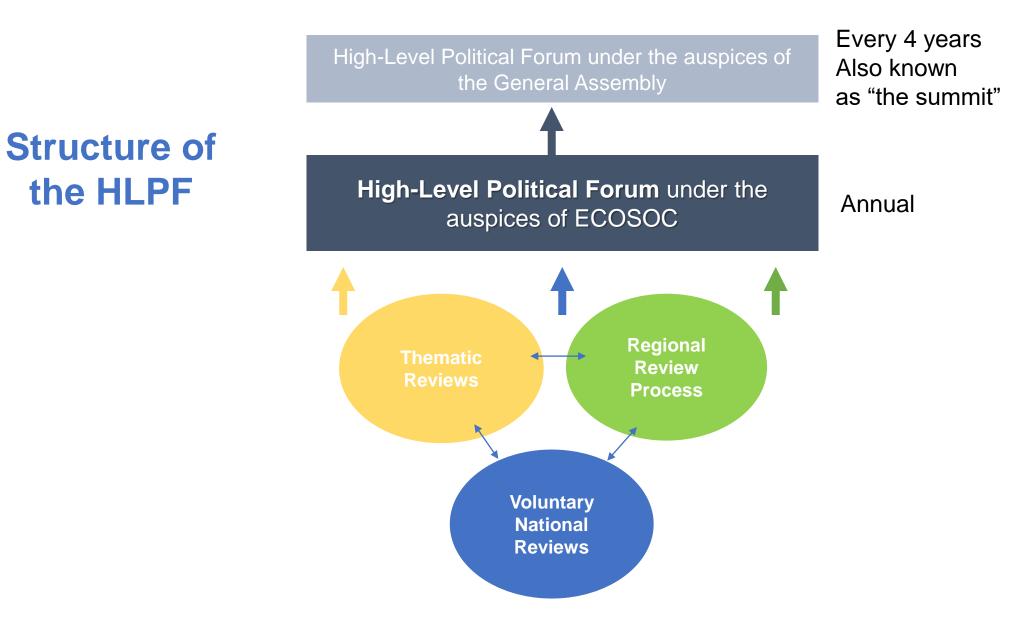
High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)

The HLPF has a "central role in overseeing a network of follow-up and review processes at the global level" (2030 Agenda paragraph 82)

The HLPF is also expected to:

✓ enhance the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development

- ✓ provide political leadership, guidance and recommendations on implementation and follow-up
- ✓ address new and emerging issues



Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) Under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

Voluntary	encourage reporting and include developed and developing countries
Country-led	country-driven reviews of progress at national and sub-national levels
Rigorous and based on evidence	informed by country-led evaluations and data which is high-quality, accessible, reliable and disaggregated
Learning experience	facilitate the sharing of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned, part of a process
National circumstances	reviews in accordance with national circumstances, policies and priorities, together with relevant partners
Open, Inclusive, Participatory	Including supporting reporting on progress by all relevant stakeholders

Structure of the HLPF under the auspices of ECOSOC – First Five Days

Thematic Review of HLPF theme, and SDGs that are under indepth review

SDG implementation at the regional & subregional levels

Special Events, Side Events, & Exhibitions Countries in special situations, interlinkages among SDGs, sciencepolicy interface and emerging issues

Structure of the HLPF under the auspices of ECOSOC High-Level Ministerial Segment (last 3 days)

Voluntary National Reviews by Member States on follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda

Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration Special Events, Side Events, & Exhibitions



Preparatory process for the 2019 HLPF under the auspices of ECOSOC

- Functional Commissions & other Intergovernmental Bodies and Forums
- Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the SDGs
- Financing for Development Forum



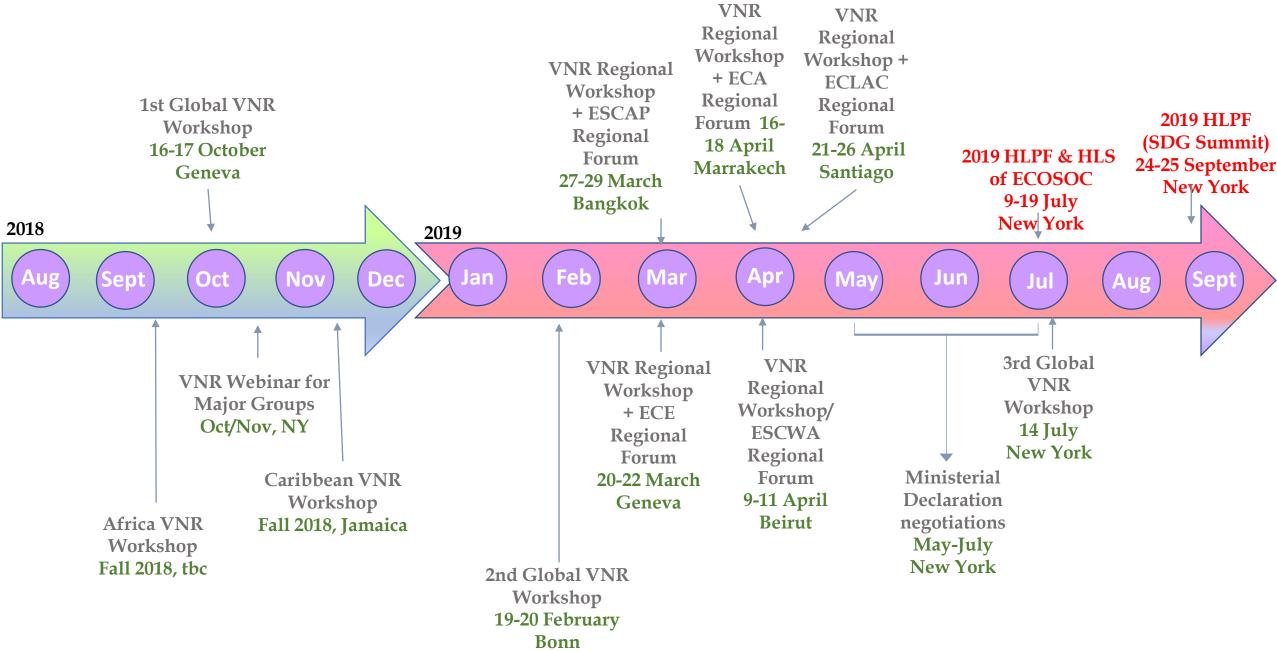
The SDG Summit

The HLPF meets each year under the auspices of the UN Economic and Social Council for 8 days and every four years under the auspices of the General Assembly for two days.

The next meeting under the General Assembly will be held **24 – 25 September 2019**, and is referred to as the **SDG Summit**, where heads of state will come together to reconfirm their commitment to the 2030 Agenda and announce new initiatives to accelerate its implementation.



2019 HLPF Timeline



Stakeholder engagement at the HLPF

While retaining the intergovernmental character of HLPF, the representatives of the major groups and other relevant stakeholders will be allowed to:

✓ Attend all official meetings of the forum;

✓ Have access to all official information and documents;

✓ Intervene in official meetings;

Submit documents and present written and oral contributions;

✓ Make recommendations;

 Organize side events and round tables, in cooperation with Member States and the Secretariat



- UN Secretary-General's updated <u>voluntary common reporting guidelines</u> for VNRs at the HLPF
- <u>Handbook</u> for VNR Preparations
- VNR Synthesis Reports
- <u>Q&A</u> for VNRs at the 2019 HLPF
- VNR Workshops
- HLPF VNR database https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/vnrs/



HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

SAVE THE DATE

9-19 July 2019 (Ministerial level) 24-25 September 2019 (SDG Summit) UN Headquarters New York