Overview and comparative analysis of the SDGs’ implementation in Asia through the VNR (2016 to 2022) and People’s Scorecard (PSC) (2020-2022)

Side Event: 10th Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development
March 28, 15:00-16:00 GMT+7
Room number - Meeting Room A, 1st floor

Organizer(s)
- Asia Development Alliance (ADA),
- Asia Civil Society Partnership for Sustainable Development/SDGs (APSD)

Co-organizer(s)
- South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication (SAAPE)
- Migrant Forum in Asia (MFA)
- Action for Sustainable Development (A4SD)
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Background

SDGs are at the crossroads in 2023, a half-way mark of the 2030 Agenda roadmap (2026-2030). Alarm bells are already ringing in many monitoring reports by both international organizations and CSOs. In only a few countries SDGs are on the right track, while many are too slow, behind schedule, or off-track. 2023 is a time to critically assess the SDGs for the last 7 years (2016-2022), to draw on the lessons learned, and to formulate strategies for the coming 7/8 years (2023-2030). The proposed side-event aims at providing a comprehensive diagnosis of the status, trends, and challenges to SDGs through international comparative data and monitoring reports by research institutions and CSOs such as Voluntary National Review (VNR) Report, Sustainable Development Solution Network (SDSN), People’s Scorecard (PSC), etc.

Key Questions and Outcomes

This side event will examine the following key guiding questions:

- **Question 1** – What are the achievement, challenges and lessons from CSOs’ overall assessment of the implementation of the SDGs in Asian countries through the VNR (2016-2022) - Suggestions to the Asian governments and CSO for more effective advocacy.

- **Question 2** - What are the challenges, lessons, and opportunities from independent civic assessment of the implementation of SDGs in Asia countries through People’s Scorecard (PSC) for 2020-2022? Suggestions to the Asian governments and CSO for advocacy.

- **Question 3** - Please provide few model case studies about national CSO engagement on monitoring, reporting, advocacy and partnership on national implementation of the SDGs (2016-2022)

Programme

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| 12:23 – 12:38 | Jyotsna Mohan, ADA  
Topic: Civic engagement with the VNR in Asia (2016-2022)  
15 min |
| 12:38 – 12:53 | Anselmo Lee, APSD  
Topic: Independent civic monitoring of SDGs’ implementation through People’s Scorecard (PSC) – with pre-recorded video presentation by Nicolas  
15 min |
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Q & A and open discussion  
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| 13:33 – 13:45 | Response and Closing remarks  
Jyotsna Mohan, ADA  
Anselmo Lee, APSD  
12 min |

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