

## North-East Asian Multistakeholder Forum on Sustainable Development Goals


*Building back better from COVID-19  
while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda*

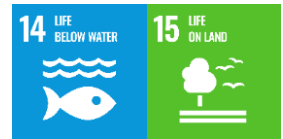
15:00-18:00 GMT+9 (Seoul/Tokyo Time), 28 - 29 October 2021  
Virtual Meeting via ZOOM

### Programme

#### Thursday, 28 October 2021

<p>15:00 – 15:30 (Seoul Time, GMT+9)</p>	<p><b>Opening</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav</b>, Head, ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office</p> <p>Opening and Welcoming Remarks <b>Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana</b>, Under-Secretary-General of the UN and Executive Secretary of ESCAP</p> <p>Keynote Speech <b>Mr. Guo Huadong</b>, Director, International Research Center of Big Data for Sustainable Development Goals, China</p>
<p>15:30 – 17:20</p>	<p><b>Session 1. Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in North-East Asia and VNR</b></p> <p>This session reflects on the impacts of the pandemic on the subregion, with government representatives presenting progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and experience of conducting a VNR. The session will also highlight the roles of Civil Society Organizations, local authorities, and UN Country Teams in collaboration with governments to achieve the 2030 agenda.</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav</b>, Head, ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview <b>Ms. Caitlin Louise Porter</b>, Senior VNR Advisor, ESCAP</li> <li>• Government Representatives <b>Mr. Yousheng Ke</b>, Permanent Representative of China to ESCAP <b>Mr. Atsushi Morita</b>, Deputy Director, Global Issues Cooperation Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Ms. Suzanna Sumkhuu</b>, Head, Development Policy and Planning Division, National Development Agency, Mongolia</p> <p><b>Ms. Sanghee Hong</b>, Director, Development Agenda and Policy Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea</p> <p><b>Mr. Taras Pronin</b>, Head of ECOSOC Section, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian Federation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multistakeholder Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ms. Denise Yoon</b>, NEA focal point of APRCEM</li> <li><b>Mr. Yasushi Tamura</b> and <b>Ms. Hitomi Shimizu</b>, Shimokawa Town, Japan</li> </ul> </li> <li>UN Country Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Mr. Siddharth Chatterjee</b>, UN Resident Coordinator in China</li> <li><b>Mr. Tapan Mishra</b>, UN Resident Coordinator in Mongolia</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A and discussion</p>
17:20-17:30	<b>Break</b>
17:30 – 18:30	<p><b>Session 2. Promoting quality education and empowerment of women</b></p> <p>This session discusses inclusive measures that support vulnerable groups in facing the COVID-19 pandemic and digital divide under the areas of quality education and gender equality.</p>  <p>Moderator: <b>Ms. Cai Cai</b>, Chief, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ms. Hye-yeon Ahn</b>, President, Korea Foundation for Women in Science, Engineering and Technology</li> <li><b>Ms. Arina Loginova</b>, Network Coordinator of SDSN Youth Russia and Fellow Researcher in the Centre for Sustainable Development Research, RANEP Moscow</li> <li><b>Ms. Tungalag Dondogdulam</b>, Coordinator of Mongolian CSOs Coalition "All for Education"</li> <li><b>Mr. Khunan Jargalsaikhan</b>, Acting Chairperson of National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia</li> <li><b>Ms. Satoko Yamaguchi</b>, Program Coordinator, YWCA of Japan and Member of Generation Equality Youth Task Force</li> </ul> </li> <li>Q&amp;A and discussion</li> </ul>
<b>Friday, 29 October 2021</b>	
15:00 – 16:10 (Seoul Time, GMT+9)	<b>Session 3: Enhancing sustainable management and restoration of natural resources</b>



This session examines initiatives that rebuild the relationship between people and nature in view of climate disruption, biodiversity decline and pollution epidemic, focusing on marine protected areas and sustainable land management.

Moderator: **Mr. Jong Soo Yoon**, Council Member of IUCN

- Presentations
  - Mr. Tomonori Sudo**, Professor, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
  - Mr. Jong Soo Yoon**, Council Member of IUCN
  - Ms. Tsetsegdari Arildii**, CEO, Mongolian Remote Sensing Society
  - Mr. Zhaohui Zhang**, Professor, First Institute of Oceanography, China
  - Mr. Uk-cheol Ji**, President, Korea Federation for Environmental Movements (KFEM)-Tongyoung & Geoje
- Q&A and discussion

16:10 – 16:20 **Break**

16:20 – 17:40 **Session 4: 2022 Asia-Pacific SDG Partnership Report**

This session identifies subregional challenges and development priorities, and brainstorm cooperation measures that will support the North-East Asian subregion to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and continue progress toward achieving the SDGs. The discussion points will feed into the thematic priorities of and examples shared in the 2022 Asia-Pacific SDG Partnership Report.

**Moderator: Ms. Juliet Nicole Braslow**, Economic Affairs Officer, Countries in Special Situations Section, ESCAP

**Presentation:** Key messages and findings from 2021 Asia-Pacific SDG Partnership Report and Introduction to theme of 2022 SDG Partnership Report

**Ms. Smita Nakhoda**, Senior Results Management Specialist, ADB

**Break out room arrangements**

- Introduction and transition into breakout rooms

**Breakout rooms**

16:35-17:15	SDG 4: Quality Education	SDG 5: Gender Equality	SDG 14: Life below water	SDG 15: Life on Land
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**Plenary :** Reflection on discussion and key messages from break out rooms

17:40– 18:00	<p><b>Session 5: Subregional perspective of advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the way forward</b></p> <p>This session highlights opportunities and challenges pertinent to the subregion to accelerate SDG implementation while building back better from the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav</b>, Head, ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stakeholder statements</li><li>• Closing remarks</li></ul>
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