The 2022 Voluntary National Review Process

Meeting of the Community of Practice for Caribbean countries that present their VNRs

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VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEWS
2022

8 of 46 VNRs from LAC
• 1st time: Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname
• 2nd time: Jamaica and El Salvador
• 3rd time: Argentina
• 4th time: Uruguay

LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

EUROPE

ASIA PACIFIC

AFRICA
Figure 6: Timeline for 2022 Voluntary National Reviews (DESA)
KEY ELEMENTS TO CONSIDER FOR VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEWS

OFFICIAL INDICATION OF INTEREST

Initial preparation and organization
Stakeholder engagement

Scope of VNR
Coordination structure

Data
Drafting outline & gathering information

Resources
Developing a workplan/roadmap
Preparing presentation

Drawing on existing reports

Drafting
Stakeholder engagement plan

VNR preparation
HLPF presentation
Implementation & follow-up

SUBMISSION OF MAIN MESSAGES
3 MAY 2022

Implementation & follow-up

SUBMISSION OF FINAL REPORTS
11 JUNE 2022

VNR PRESENTATION
MINISTERIAL SEGMENT
2022 HLPF
13 - 15 JULY 2022
Resources to Guide you

1. Initial preparation and organization
2. Stakeholder engagement
3. VNR preparation
4. Presentation at the HLPF
The 2022 High-level Political Forum (HLPF) 2022

- **Dates**: 5 to 7 July and 11 to 15 July, VNR presentations expected from 12 to 15 July
- **Theme**: "Building back better from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development"
- **5 SDGs under review**: 4 on quality education, 5 on gender equality, 14 on life below water, 15 on life on land, and 17 on partnerships but the VNR should cover **ALL 17 SDGs**
- **Format** (virtual/in-person/hybrid) to be considered.
- **Timing**: First timers: 30 mins at the HLPF: 10 minutes for presentation and 20 minutes for Q&A; Second and third timers: 25 mins at the HLPF: 10 minutes for presentation and 15 minutes for Q&A.
- **Best practices**: Present at the highest level; highlight SDG situation, trends, achievements, challenges, areas for support and advice, next steps; focus whole presentation on the 2030 Agenda (avoid descriptions of country's history and geography) including in videos; respond to questions (even after the HLPF); adapt to international audience and be brief; consider involving stakeholders in delegations.
Key messages from the first Global Webinar for the VNRs

• Understand **SDG progress** and identify **implementation gaps and impact of COVID-19**
• Take stock of **integration of SDGs into national plans and policies** and **COVID-19 response**
• Reflect on implementation of policies to **accelerate action for the SDGs**
• Assess your **institutional set-up for SDG implementation and the VNR**
• Identify **gaps in data and statistics** and impacts of efforts to close them
• Identify **who is being left behind**
• Assess mechanisms for **stakeholder engagement** in SDG implementation and review
• Align SDG policies with budgets
• Identify **next steps** and **forward-looking strategy** towards 2030 and beyond
• The **Group of Friends of VNRs** (co-chaired by Philippines and Morocco) provide an informal space for **exchange between countries, sharing lessons learned and best practices**.
Thank you