

Leveraging existing Global and Regional Frameworks for the VNR

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Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs)

- ▶ One of the guiding principles provided my member States is for the VNRs to:
 - “...track progress in implementing the universal Goals and targets, including the means of implementation, in all countries in a manner, which respects their *universal*, *integrated* and *interrelated* nature and the three dimensions of sustainable development.”
- ▶ Implementing this principle requires, among others:
 - ▶ Time and resources
 - ▶ Broad consultations
 - ▶ Extensive research and analysis
 - ▶ Quality and disaggregated data

Existing Frameworks

- ▶ Member States routinely produce reports for other international and regional frameworks and agreements
- ▶ These reports are:
 - ▶ Developed based on consultations with relevant stakeholders
 - ▶ Contain useful data and information
 - ▶ Produced using tested reporting mechanism
- ▶ Therefore, they constitute rich resources that could be used to inform the VNR

Global Frameworks

- ▶ **SAMOA Pathway**
 - ▶ High-level Mid-Term Review conducted in 2019 at the GA
 - ▶ Caribbean SIDS Regional Preparatory Meeting held in Belize in 2018 leading to the Pan Pedro Declaration
- ▶ **Sendai Framework**
 - ▶ Global Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction with first reporting data for Sendai Framework Targets A-G conducted in 2018
- ▶ **UNFCCC**
 - ▶ National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)
 - ▶ National Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement
- ▶ **ICPD**

Gender Equality is a cross-cutting issue in different global and regional frameworks



Regional Frameworks

- ▶ **Escazu Agreement** on Access to Information, Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean
 - ▶ Comes into force on 22 April 2021
- ▶ **Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean**
 - ▶ Sub-regional preparatory meetings

Regional Meetings that support the VNR

- ▶ Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development
- ▶ Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee
- ▶ Statistical Conference of the Americas
- ▶ Other regional meetings

Recommendations for the VNR

- ▶ In developing the VNR, use information contained in existing reports
 - ▶ To provide background/context
 - ▶ To provide basis for baselines
 - ▶ As sources of data or proxies
 - ▶ To develop contact list for stakeholder consultations