Regional workshop for Latin American and Caribbean countries that will present their Voluntary National Review (VNR) in 2022

8 March 2022
2022 HLPF TIMELINE

**March**
- 3-5 March: ECA Regional Forum
- 7-9 March: ECLAC Regional Forum
- 15-17 March: ESCWA Regional Forum
- 28-31 March: ESCAP Regional Forum

**April**
- 6-7 April: ECE Regional Forum
- 11-13 April: Second Global VNR Workshop

**May**
- 3 May: Deadline for submission of main messages of VNR reports

**June**
- 10 June: Deadline for submission of VNR reports
- 17 June: Deadline for audio-visuals
- 12-15 July: VNR Presentations

**July**
- 5-7 and 11-12 July: High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development
- 13-15 and 18 July: High-level Segment of ECOSOC, including the 3-day ministerial segment of HLPF
- 15-17 July: Third Global VNR Workshop

**Deadlines**
- 3 June: Deadline for submission of VNR reports
- 17 June: Deadline for audio-visuals
## 45 VNR Countries in 2022

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The growth of VNR reporting
2016 to 2022

Number of reports and countries having presented at least once, 2016-2022

- Reports
- Countries

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STATUS OF VNRS IN 2022

**AFRICAN GROUP**
- Conducted or Planned: 53
- Not Prepared: 1

**ASIA-PACIFIC GROUP**
- Conducted or Planned: 52
- Not Prepared: 5

**EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP**
- Conducted or Planned: 23
- Not Prepared: 0

**LATIN AMERICAN & CARIBBEAN GROUP**
- Conducted or Planned: 31
- Not Prepared: 1

**WESTERN EUROPEAN & OTHERS GROUP**
- Conducted or Planned: 28
- Not Prepared: 2
OVERVIEW

VNR presentations at the 2022 HLPF

• 2022 HLPF: 5 to 7 July and 11 to 15 July
  • VNR presentations 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”

• SDGs under review this year:*  
  • SDG 4 (quality education)  
  • SDG 5 (gender equality)  
  • SDG 14 (life below water)  
  • SDG 15 (life on land)  
  • SDG 17 (partnerships for the Goals)

*VNR reports should cover ALL 17 SDGs 😊

Format for the VNR presentation: Anticipated to be in-person with hybrid component (to be confirmed in May)
OVERVIEW

VNR presentations at the 2022 HLPF

Timing of VNR Presentations at the HLPF:

1st time VNR: (30 mins at the HLPF):
   10 minutes for presentation
   20 minutes for Q&A

2nd, 3rd and 4th time VNR: (25 mins at the HLPF)
   10 minutes for presentation
   15 minutes for Q&A

Format:
The panel format: presentations are held sequentially; when all the countries participating in the session have presented, questions are asked of the presenting countries.
The individual format: a country makes its presentation, followed by questions.

Interactive component of VNRs:
   • Group of Friends of VNRs
C O N S I D E R A T I O N S  F O R :

VNR Reports and Presentations

Tips and Good Practices for VNR Reports:

• Reporting on all 17 SDGs
• Showcasing interlinkages and trade-offs
• Showcasing synergies
• Incorporation into national policies, strategies and frameworks
• Addressing systemic issues and showcasing impact
• Highlight progress made since the previous presentation
• Impact and measures related to COVID-19
• Addressing leaving no behind
• Identify relevant actions to accelerate progress towards the 2030 Agenda
• Consider how the previous VNRs’ conclusions can be fed back into policy improvement
CONSIDERATIONS FOR:

VNR Reports and Presentations

Tips and Good Practices for VNR Presentations:

• Well thought out structure to VNR presentation
• Include various stakeholders: civil society, academia, business and industry/private sector, parliamentarians, youth, women, local authorities, marginalized groups, etc
• Showcase progress since previous VNR
• Clear narrative of national SDG implementation
• Showcase achievements in SDG monitoring
• Show achievements and challenges
• Showcase VNR preparations
• Highlight key programmes, initiatives and progress on SDGs
• Showcase the impact of policies
• COVID-19 response and measures
• Use engaging audiovisuals and data visualization
• Use as a platform for partnerships
SOME CONSIDERATIONS FOR:

Resources

• **VNR Handbook:**

• **Updated SG guidelines:**

• **2021 VNR Synthesis Report:**

• **VNR Database:** [https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/vnrs/](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/vnrs/)

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