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# United Nations Office for Sustainable Development

## Quarterly Newsletter

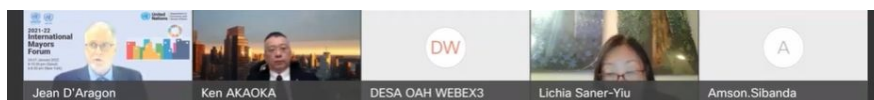


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The United Nations Office for Sustainable Development (UNOSD) was established in 2011 as a technical arm of the Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG) of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) in Incheon, Republic of Korea.

This issue will cover UNOSD's news, activities, and events from January to March 2022. The newsletter includes not only UNOSD news, but also other useful events, tools, and frameworks related to the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA).

## UNOSD Highlights & Activities



### 2021-22 International Mayors Forum

Day 1 – Monday, 24 January 2022



### Welcome & Opening Remarks



Mr. Liu Zhenmin  
Under-Secretary-General  
for Economic and Social  
Affairs

H.E. Ms. Han Jeoung Ae  
Minister of Environment,  
Republic of Korea

Hon. Mr. Nam Choon Park  
Mayor,  
Incheon Metropolitan City

Mr. Chun Kyoo Park  
Head of Office,  
United Nations Office for  
Sustainable Development

Mr. Kazushige Endo  
Director, United Nations  
Centre for Regional  
Development (UNCRD)

<https://unosd.un.org/events/2021-22-international-mayors-forum>

### 2021-22 International Mayors Forum

24-27 January 2022, 20:00-22:30, KST, Online



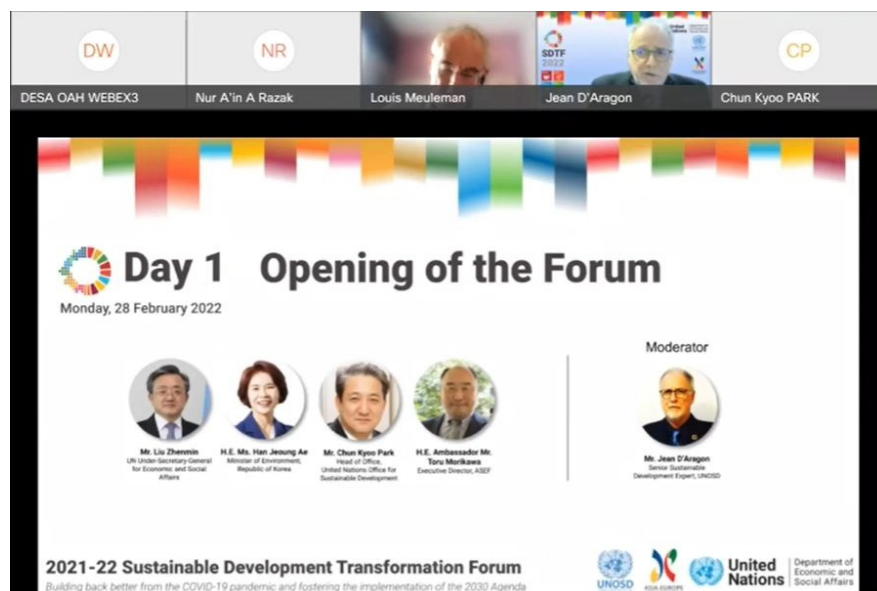
UNOSD convened mayors and local leaders and stakeholders at the 2021-2022 International Mayors Forum to discuss strategies and measures to enhance local governments' knowledge and skills around a series of essential topics to build back better and greener from the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, while also accelerating progress for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement. The forum examined social, economic, and environmental impacts of COVID-19 on cities and local governments and explored potential solutions for greener and sustainable responses.

H.E. Mr. Liu Zhenmin, UN Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (video), H.E. Ms. Han Jeoung Ae, Minister of Environment, Republic of Korea (video), Hon. Mr. Nam Choon Park, Mayor, Incheon Metropolitan City (video), Mr. Chun Kyoo Park, Head of Office, UNOSD, and Mr. Kazushige Endo, Director, UN Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD), Nagoya, Japan delivered congratulatory and opening remarks for the forum.

The Forum was co-organized by the United Nations Office for Sustainable Development (UNOSD) of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) in collaboration with the United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD).

All presentation materials and recordings of the event can be accessed [HERE](#).

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## 2021-2022 Sustainable Development Transformation Forum (SDTF)

28 February - 3 March 2022, 20:00-22:30, KST, Online

The 2021-2022 SDTF, organized by UNOSD, the Division for Sustainable Development Goals of UN DESA in collaboration with the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF), covered the thematic areas of the High-level Political Forum (HLPF 2022) including building back better from COVID-19 while accelerating progress for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

2021-2022 SDTF featured several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), namely SDGs 4 on quality education, 5 on gender equality, 14 on life below water, 15 on life on land, and 17 on partnerships for the Goals. The forum not only examined the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on SDG-4, 5, 14, 15 and 17 but also other SDGs given the integrated nature of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

H.E. Mr. Liu Zhenmin, UN Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (video), H.E. Ms. Han Jeoung Ae, Minister of Environment, Republic of Korea (video), Mr. Chun Kyoo Park, Head of Office, UNOSD, and H.E. Ambassador Mr. Toru Morikawa, Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) delivered congratulatory and opening remarks for the forum.

All presentation materials and recordings of the event can be accessed [HERE](#).

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**The 4<sup>th</sup> Greenhouse Gas Inventory System Training Workshop**

23-24 February 2022  
4-6pm (Seoul), 2-4pm (Bangkok), 10am-12pm (Moscow)

[unosd.un.org/events/4thGHGWorkshop](https://unosd.un.org/events/4thGHGWorkshop)

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## 4th Greenhouse Gas Inventory System Training Workshop

23-24 February 2022, 16:00-18:00, KST, Online

UNOSD co-organized the 4th Greenhouse Gas Inventory System Training Workshop with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Institute of Global Climate and Ecology (IGCE), and Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization (TGO) to provide an open platform for policy dialogue and capacity building for developing countries in Asia Pacific region on utilizing national GHG inventories for the implementation of SDG 13 and the Paris Agreement.

The workshop engaged government officials and representatives, and national institutions, particularly from the Asia-Pacific countries, concerned with the development of national GHG inventory systems.

All presentation materials and recordings of the event can be accessed [HERE](#).

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## What is the SDG 6-Policy Support System (PSS)? - UNOSD Promotional Video on SDG-PSS

The SDG 6 Policy Support System (SDG-PSS) is a collaborative project of the United Nations Office for Sustainable Development (UNOSD) and the United Nations University Institute for Water, Environment and Health (UNU-INWEH), in partnership with the Ministry of Environment of Republic of Korea (MOE), Korea Environment Corporation (K-eco) and national partners (regional hub countries) from Tunisia, Costa Rica and Pakistan.

This free online tool is designed to generate evidence on the enabling environment of SDG 6 through a framework that shows strengths and weaknesses and missing data across all SDG 6 targets and indicators, and consists of the following components: Capacity Assessment; Finance; Policy and Institutional Assessment; Gender Mainstreaming; Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)/Resilience Mainstreaming; and Integrity.

The video can be found on [UNOSD Official Youtube Channel](#).

[Video Link](#)

## Publications and Upcoming UNOSD Events (April - June 2022)



### 2020-2021 Sustainable Development Transformation Forum Report

UNOSD published the 2020-21 Sustainable Development Transformation Forum (SDTF) report. The forum, co-organized with the Asia Europe Foundation (ASEF), was held from 22 to 26 February 2021. The forum discussed experiences, lessons learned, good practices, strategies and measures to build back better and greener, using the Sustainable Development Goals as a roadmap for all sectors of society at all levels to work towards a rapid and sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and accelerate the delivery of the SDGs during the Decade of Action. The report summarizes and highlights key discussions of the forum.

The full report is available [HERE](#).

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### 2021-2022 Executive Training Course for Policymakers on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

11-14 April 2022, 20:00-22:30, KST, Online

UNOSD is organizing the "2021-2022 Executive Training Course for Policymakers on the 2030 Agenda for the Sustainable Development" from 11 to 14 April 2022 to strengthen policy coherence for sustainable development by integrating the social, economic, environmental and governance dimensions of policy making and implementation. The thematic areas of the training will be structured around the themes of 2022 HLPF.

The details of the event can be found [HERE](#).

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### Side Event at the 2nd Dushanbe Water Action Decade Conference

6-8 June 2022, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

UNOSD, together with the new project partner UNESCO International Centre for Water Security and Sustainable Management (UNESCO i-WSSM), will organize a side event at the 2nd Dushanbe Water Action Decade Conference to showcase the SDG-PSS and to share the experiences of the hub-countries in using SDG-PSS as a powerful tool for supporting evidence-based policy and decision making to achieve SDG 6.



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## Side Event at the Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11)

26-30 June 2022, Katowice, Poland

UNOSD will be organizing side events at the World Urban Forum (WUF11) to discuss challenges, concrete potential solutions, and good practices in day-to-day implementation of the SDGs —Goal 11 in particular—, and other international goals and agreements, including the Paris Agreement, and the Sendai Framework, in the urban context. UNOSD will bring mayors and leaders of local governments to share their experiences and progress on achieving the SDGs at the local level.

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## Side Events at the 2022 UN Ocean Conference

27 June - 1 July 2022, Lisbon, Portugal

UNOSD will organize side events at the 2022 UN Ocean Conference to explore the link between the Green Deals and the Blue Economy with experts and policymakers to foster accelerating the green recovery and green transformation in developing countries. The Ocean Conference, co-hosted by the Governments of Kenya and Portugal, comes at a critical time as the world is seeking to address many of the deep-rooted problems of our societies laid bare by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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## UNOSD Internship

UNOSD offers internship opportunities to students and youth to acquire knowledge and experiences working at the United Nations and its work environment while making a significant contribution to UNOSD activities and mandate. Further details of the internship can be found [HERE](#).

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## UN DESA Events & Publications



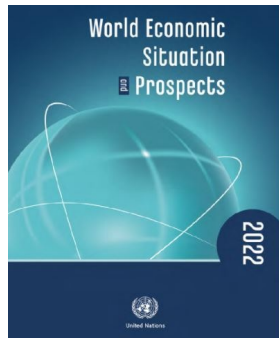
## 2022 High-Level Political Forum (HLPF)

5-15 July 2022, New York, United States

The theme for the HLPF 2022 will be “Building back better from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”

The HLPF in 2022 will review in-depth Sustainable Development Goals 4 on quality education, 5 on gender equality, 14 on life below water, 15 on life on land, and 17 on partnerships for the Goals.

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## 2022 World Economic Situation Prospects (WESP)

The World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2022 warns that global economic recovery hinges on a delicate balance amid new waves of COVID-19 infections, persistent labour market challenges, lingering supply-chain constraints and rising inflationary pressures.

The full report can be found [HERE](#).

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