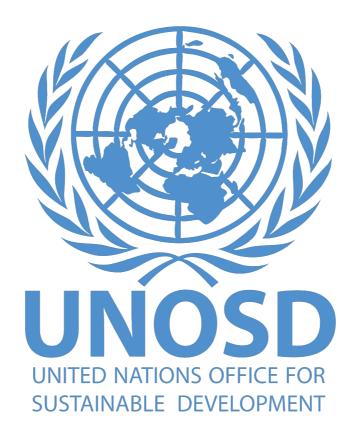
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The United Nations Office for Sustainable Development (UNOSD) was established in 2011 as a technical arm of the Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG) of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) in Incheon,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

This issue will cover UNOSD's news, activities, and events from April to June 2023. 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



2023 International Mayors Forum

25-28 April 2023, Dakar, Senegal - In person

From 25 to 28 April 2023, UNOSD and the United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD), in collaboration with UNDP Senegal and UN Resident Coordinator's Office in Senegal, organized the 2023 International Mayors Forum in Dakar Senegal.

The Forum provided a platform for mayors and other leaders of local government from developing countries to gain knowledge on the localization of the SDGs from experts, share best practices and lessons-learned from the participants in their cities and municipalities, and express their concerns and challenges in localizing the SDGs on a local level. The Forum was organized in line with the thematic areas of HLPF with a focus on SDG-6, 7, 9, 11 and 17, allowing an important group of stakeholders whose participation at the HLPF is usually limited to delve into deeper discussions on SDG implementation at the local and regional levels.

The participants were able to closely examine the impact of the multiple intersecting global crises (Covid-19 pandemic, cost-of-living crisis, climate change, disasters and conflicts) on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and SDGs and expressed concerns in several areas including the erosion of fiscal space, limited human resources, and high levels of uncontrolled urbanization.

The Forum was held in-person and gathered approximately 90 participants consisting of mayors, leaders of local governments, professionals, experts, and scholars on localizing the SDGs. The participants included representatives of national and local governments from Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean.

All the information and presentation materials of the event can be accessed $\ensuremath{\mathsf{\underline{HERE}}}.$

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2023 Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Training in Support of SDG 6 Achievement in Mongolia

10-14 April 2023, Seoul, Republic of Korea - In person

UNOSD, UNESCO International Centre for Water Security and Sustainable Management (UNESCO i-WSSM) and the Korea Water Resources Corporation (K-Water) worked in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment and Tourism (MET), Mongolia, and the Tuul River Basin Authority (TRBA), Mongolia to organize the 2023 Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Training in Support of SDG 6 Achievement in Mongolia from 10 to 14 April 2023 in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

The training gathered 21 working-level staff from 17 River Basin Authorities (RBAs) involved in IWRM processes. The training was structured around the standard UNESCO i-WSSM IWRM modules with some training sessionsadapted from the standard material to incorporate the specific experience and expertise of the trainer.

Overall, the training provided high quality learning experiences on IWRM to the Mongolian participants. The training also included a field trip to Han River Basin Environmental Office, Paldang Dam, Jamsil Submerged Weir, Daecheong Multipurpose Dam, K-water Headquarters, and the IWRM Center.

All the information related to the event can be accessed <u>HERE</u>.

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Upcoming UNOSD Programmes and Events (July - September 2023)



Africa Regional Workshop for SDG6-Policy Support System

5-7 July 2023, Nairobi, Kenya

UNOSD will organize the Africa Regional Workshop for SDG-6 Policy Support System (SDG-PSS) in Africa in Nairobi, Kenya from 5 to 7 July 2023. The workshop will aim to scale up the use of the SDG-PSS as a tool for accelerating the progress for SDG-6 by sharing experiences and challenges on achieving the SDG-6 on a national level, promoting SDG-PSS as a tool for strengthening the enabling environment for SDG-6, and discussing ways to extend the use of SDG-PSS.



7th SDGs Youth Summer Camp

16-19 August 2023, Incheon, Republic of Korea

UNOSD will organize the 2023 SDGs Youth Summer Camp at the Yonsei University International Campus in Incheon, Republic of Korea from 16 to 19 August. This year's summer camp will focus on the crucial role of water in achieving the SDGs. The summer camp will be organized by UNOSD, the Ministry of Environment (MoE) of the Republic of Korea, Design Factory Korea of Yonsei University (DFK), and the Korea Environment Corporation (K-eco)



2023 Executive Training Course for Policymakers on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

5-8 September 2023, Incheon, Republic of Korea

UNOSD will organize the 2023 Executive Training Course of Policymakers on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development from 5 to 8 September 2023 in Incheon, Republic of Korea. The 2023 ETC will gather government representatives to discuss ways to facilitate and accelerate the progress for achieving the SDGs on a national level.



Latin America Regional Workshop on SDG6 Policy Support System (SDG-PSS)

12-14 September 2023, Brasília, Brazil

The Latin America Regional Workshop on SDG-6 Policy Support System will be held from 12 to 14 September 2023 in Brasilia, Brazil. More details will be shared when confirmed.



UNOSD Internship

UNOSD offers internship opportunities to students and youth to acquire knowledge and experience working at the United Nations and its work environment while contributing to various events and activities organized by UNOSD. Further details of the internship can be found HERE.

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UN DESA Events & Publications



The 2023 SDG Summit

The 2023 SDG Summit will be convened on 18-19 September 2023, during the United Nations General Assembly high-level week. Heads of State and Government will gather at the United Nations Headquarters in New York to follow-up and review the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

More details can be found HERE.

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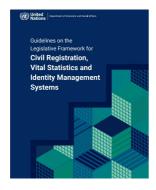


Financing for Sustainable Development Report 2023

The 2023 Financing for Sustainable Development Report finds that SDG financing needs are growing, but development financing is not keeping pace. The war in Ukraine, sharp increases in food and energy prices, and rapidly tightening financial conditions have increased hunger and poverty and reversed progress on the SDGs. If left unaddressed, a "great finance divide" will translate into a lasting sustainable development divide.

The full report can be found **HERE**.

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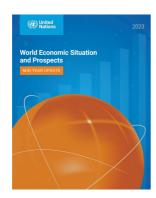


Guidelines on the Legislative Framework for Civil Registration, Vital Statistics and Identity **Management**

The guideline provides overarching principles and elaborate in detail the legislative framework critical for implementing international recommendations, with a focus on ensuring a holistic and integrated approach to civil registration, vital statistics and identity management. The Guidelines update and replace the 1998 Handbook on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Systems: Preparation of a Legal Framework.

The full report can be found **HERE**.

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World Economic Situation and Prospects as of mid-2023

Prospects for a robust global economic recovery remain dim amid stubborn inflation, rising interest rates and heightened uncertainties. Instead, the world economy faces the risk of a prolonged period of low growth as the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the everworsening impact of climate change and macroeconomic structural challenges remain unaddressed.

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