**National SDG Action Plan Workshop**

11-12 October 2021, Nicosia

Venue: Hilton Hotel

# Agenda

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| **DAY 1** MONDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2021 |  |
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| **TIME****Nicosia** | **ACTIVITY** |
| 08:00-08:30 | **Registration/Welcome coffee** |
| 08:30-09:00 | **Opening remarks**Mr. Theodosis A. Tsiolas, Permanent Secretary, Directorate General for European Programmes, Coordination & Development, (DGEPCD ), Ministry of Finance Mr. Einar Bjorgo, Director, Division for Satellite Analysis, Applied Research and 2030 Agenda, United Nations Institute for Training and ResearchMr. Kaspar Richter, Head of Unit ‘’Sustainable growth and business environment’’, DG REFORM, European Commission |
| **Session 1. Implementing SDGs in Cyprus: Key strategies and policies for the Action Plan** |
| 09:00 - 10:30 | **Panel Discussion** *Speakers will be invited to make presentations on key strategies and policies and answer questions from participants.* PresentationsMs. Petra Petan, Member of the Cabinet of Mr. Paolo Gentiloni, European Commissioner for Economic Affairs, on European Commission’s “The Whole-of-Government approach” (20 min.)Mr. Andreas Ashiotis, Member of the Growth and Competitiveness Council, on Long-term sustainable growth strategy (15 min.)Mr. Theodosis A. Tsiolas, Permanent Secretary, DGEPCD, Ministry of Finance, on Recovery and Resilience Plan and Cohesion Funds (15 min.)Mr. Panayiotis Sentonas, Commissioner for the Citizen, on the work on the SDGs, citizens and NGO engagement and platform (15 min.)Questions from the floor Facilitator: Ms. Vivian Kanari-Journalist |
| 10 :30- 11.00 | **Coffee break** |
| **Session 2. Assessment and Recommendations for SDG Governance in Cyprus** |
| 11.00.-12.30 | * **Presentation of Ireland** (15 min.) on SDG Governance, stakeholder engagement, Implementation Plan and monitoring/reporting
* **Presentation of the SDG Governance Assessment Report**

Ms. Elena Proden, UNITAR Senior Specialist, and Mr. Louis Meulman, UNITAR Expert Consultant *(30 min.)** **Discussion**

*(45 min.)*Facilitator: Ms. Vivian Kanari-Journalist  |
| 12:30 - 13:30 | Lunch break |
| **Session 3. State of play and possible objectives in areas of governance, institutions, justice, and personal security for the SDG Action Plan and recommendations for long-term growth strategies** |
| 13.30-14.30 | * **Example of actions on mainstreaming/implementing the SDGs**

Ms. Klelia Vasiliou, Commissioner for the Environment *(15 min.)** **State of play and possible objectives in areas of governance, institutions, justice and personal security for the SDG Action Plan**

Mr. Louis Meulman, UNITAR Expert Consultant *(15 min.)* * **Plenary discussion**

*(30 min.)*Facilitator: Ms. Vivian Kanari -Journalist |

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| **DAY 2** TUESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2021 |  |
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| **TIME** | **ACTIVITY** |
| 08:00-08:30 | A picture containing text, weapon  Description automatically generated**Arrival/Registration/Welcome coffee** |
| **Session 4. Approach and Structure of the SDG Action Plan** |
| 08:30-09:00 | * **Presentation of the possible approach to and structure of the SDG Action Plan**

Ms. Elena Proden, UNITAR Senior Specialist *(10 min.)** **Plenary discussion**

*(20 min.)*Facilitator: Mr. Einar Bjorgo, UNITAR Division Director |
| **Session 5. State of play and mainstreaming gender in the SDG Action Plan and recommendations for long-term growth strategies** |
| 09.00-09.50  | * **State of play and mainstreaming gender in the SDG Action Plan**

Ms. Myria Vassiliadou, UNITAR Expert Consultant *(20 min.)** **Plenary discussion**

*(30 min.)*Facilitator: Ms. Myria Vassiliadou, UNITAR Expert Consultant |
| **Session 6. State of play, possible objectives related to social inclusion agenda for the SDG Action Plan and recommendations for long-term growth strategies** |
| 09.50-10.40 | * **State of play and possible objectives related to social inclusion agenda**

Mr. Giorgos Filippou, UNITAR Expert Consultant *(20 min.)** **Plenary discussion**

*(30 min.)*Facilitator: Mr. Giorgos Filippou, UNITAR Expert Consultant |
| 10.40-11.10 | A picture containing text, weapon  Description automatically generatedCoffee break |
| **Session 7. State of play, possible objectives related to the green transition in the SDG Action Plan and recommendations for long-term growth strategies** |
| 11.10-12.00 | * **State of play and possible objectives related to the green transition**

Ms. Anthi Charalambous, UNITAR Expert Consultant *(20 min.)* * **Plenary discussion**

*(30 min.)*Facilitator: Ms. Anthi Charalambous, UNITAR Expert Consultant |
| **Session 8. Taking stock on the SDG Action Plan, recommendations for integrating social and environmental dimensions in long-term growth strategies and Next steps** |
| 12.00-12.50  | * **Compilation of findings from governance and thematic discussions**

Ms. Elena Proden, UNITAR Senior Specialist *(15 min.)** **Discussion on (1) synergies and trade-offs and (2) other areas/priorities that may be missing**

*(20 min.)** **Discussion on next steps for the development of the national SDG Action Plan (1) and specifically the implementation of the SDG governance mechanism (2)**

Ms. Georghia Christofidou, Director for Sustainable Development, DGEPCD *(15 min.)*Facilitator: Mr. Einar Bjorgo, UNITAR Division Director |
| 12.50-13.00 | **Closing ceremony** |