



SDG **SUMMIT**
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2023 HLPF, SDG Summit Outcomes
and
Plans for Summit of the Future

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Recap of HLPF in July 2023

- Fully in-person, with high level of engagement
 - Over 110 Heads of State or Government, Ministers, Vice-Ministers and Ministerial-level officials
 - 134 speakers – keynote speakers, panelists, lead discussants, moderators and youth speakers
 - 181 statements during general debate on theme
“Building momentum towards the 2023 SDG Summit”
- Outcome: Summary by President of ECOSOC, which included key messages to SDG Summit

Recap of HLPF in July 2023 (cont.)

- 38 VNRs (1 - 1st time, 36 - 2nd time, 1 - 3rd time) + 1 EU
- **A special thank you** to countries who presented VNRs in 2023 and to those who will present in 2024
- Follow-up messages on VNRs
 - Data-driven reviews – greater evidence of this in 2023
 - Greater connected reporting between a country's VNRs – e.g., a country's 3rd VNR referencing prior 1st and 2nd reports and discussing progress or challenges

Recap of HLPF in July 2023 (cont.)

- For consideration: Invitation by the UN Secretary-General to rethink the VNRs
 - E.g., suggestions from SG's 2023 SDG Progress Report 2023:
 - Boosting independent evaluations of implementation
 - Strengthening engagement with parliament and civil society
 - Centering VNRs on national commitments for transformation
 - Registration systems of voluntary local reviews
 - Further develop indicators with disaggregated data
- Recognizing their State-led and voluntary nature, would your country like to see changes in the VNRs? If so, what kind?

2023 SDG Summit and outcomes

- **HLPF under GA**, 18-19 September 2023 (every four years)
- **Engagement:**
 - 87 Heads of State, Vice-presidents, Heads of Government
 - 58 deputy prime ministers and ministers
 - 18 representatives of IGOs, UN system, civil society and other stakeholders (163 speakers total)
- **SDG Action weekend** preceding Summit (16-17 September)
 - SDG Mobilization Day – Civil society (16 Sept.)
 - SDG Acceleration Day – UN system and H.I.I.s (17 Sept.)

Outcomes - Political Declaration

- **Political Declaration** negotiated and adopted by consensus:
 - Stresses that achievement of SDGs is in peril
 - Commits to bold, ambitious, accelerated, just and transformative actions
 - Sets out many areas where action is required
 - Particularly identifies **financing** and reform of financial institutions as key ingredients for moving forward
 - Commits to fully support UN development system
 - Looks forward to the 2024 Summit of the Future

Outcomes – Commitments

- Secretary-General invited forward-looking commitments for SDG transformation at the Summit
 - SDG Summit Acceleration and Accountability Platform – set up by UN DESA and Office of the Secretary-General
 - 110 commitments and initiatives registered by countries and stakeholders

Outcomes – 12 High-Impact Initiatives

- UN development system mobilizing behind **12 High-Impact Initiatives** as a platform to help take SDG progress to scale
 - Learn, evolve and scale what works with greater coordination and collaboration
 - Three major areas: economic and social transitions, means of implementation and cross-cutting issue of gender equality
 - Examples: Energy compacts, Food systems transformation, Transforming education, FutureGov, Power of data

Summit of the Future, 22-23 September 2024

- Build upon the SDG Summit (e.g., issue of reform of international financial architecture)
- Strengthen the multilateral system to deliver on promises of UN Charter and 2030 Agenda
- Anticipated outcome:
 - Action-oriented “A Pact for the Future”
 - Negotiated outcome and annexes
 - Emphasizing global solidarity for current and future generations

2024 Summit of the Future - Scope

- Scope of Summit - UN General Assembly decision of 1 Sept
 - “A Pact for the Future” - five areas, taking into account 2030 Agenda:
 - Sustainable development and financing for development
 - International peace and security
 - STI and digital cooperation
 - Youth and future generations
 - Transforming global governance

Annexes to Pact for Future

- Two anticipated inter-governmentally agreed annexes to Pact for the Future:
 - Global Digital Compact
 - Declaration on Future Generations
- Nest step: President of General Assembly will appoint pairs of co-facilitators for each of the 3 processes, to be negotiated in 1st half of 2024



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Thank you.