Four years of VNRs: The global perspective

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Note: Percentages indicate the proportion of Member State respondents who rated the function as well- or best-fulfilled (4 or 5 on a scale of 5).

Source: Perception Survey by UN DESA, 1-12 July 2019
Where we are: Global status of VNRs
• From 2016-2019, **142 countries** presented a total of 158 reports (15 countries presented twice, 1 country presented three times).

• It is expected that by 2020, **168 countries** will have presented a total of 208 reports.

### Status as of 4 October 2019

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Number of 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd} VNRs by Regional Groups

Status as of 4 October 2019, including expected presentations for 2020
Main Benefits

- Sharing lessons learned & experiences with other countries
- Tool for sharing SDG implementation challenges
- Advance the national implementation of the 2030 Agenda
- Mobilize partnerships
- Strengthen SDG awareness
“The VNR process opened dialogue and consultation platforms with multiple stakeholders, which enabled the country to realize the need for mechanisms that allow for a more efficient exchange of information. Having these platforms across the national territory allowed us to identify the challenge of localizing implementation at all levels, including at municipal and community levels. Possible tools to address them might include partnerships and core work with local governments and civil society organizations on the ground. However, this takes a considerable effort, time and resources.”
Main Challenges

- Data and statistics
- Integrated approach and cross-sectoral coordination
- Means of implementation
- Follow-up actions to the VNRs / Monitoring and evaluation
Resources

- VNR Handbook – 2019 edition [AR] [EN] [FR] [2020 edition coming soon]
Thank you!
Where we are: Global Status of VNRs

STATUS OF VNRS AS OF 4 OCTOBER 2019

- Conducted or Planned for 2020
- Not Prepared

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