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2021 UNDP Annual Meeting

Strengthening the Rule of Law and Human Rights for Sustaining Peace and Fostering Development

PEOPLE CENTERED APPROACHES TO RULE OF LAW, SECURITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS- SECONDARY IMPACTS OF COVID-19

Virtual Meeting | June 22 - 24

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Overview

The rule of law, equal access to justice, security, and respect for universal human rights lay at the heart of the Common Agenda and achievement of the SDGs. UNDP's commitment is crystallized in the *Global Programme on Strengthening the Rule of Law and Human Rights for Sustaining Peace and Fostering Development*. Anchored on broad partnerships, and in direct response to the Secretary-General's priorities on prevention and sustaining peace, UNDP's work through the Global Programme represents a unique and significant contribution to making the SDGs a reality, particularly in contexts affected by crisis, conflict, and transitions.

Meeting Information

The meeting aims to promote an exchange between Member States, practitioners, UNDP and UN experts, Ministerial-level national counterparts, as well as representatives from think tanks, academia, and civil society, on the current development context in relation to the rule of law, security, and human rights, and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. While reflecting on the achievements of 2020, we will take a close look at the complexity and challenges of the continuing crisis, as well as the various opportunities offered for furthering a more accountable, inclusive, and just future.

Translation in Arabic, French, Spanish, Russian and will be available.

Tuesday June 22

<p style="text-align: center;">Session 1 Opening Session Time: 7:30-9:00 EDT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Opening of the 2021 Annual Meeting</p> <p>Title: Rule of Law and human rights for sustainable development: the final push to achieving Agenda 2030</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stocktaking of 2020 and how we can secure a more just and accountable future for all• Exploring rule of law and human rights as enablers of Agenda 2030, including the role of partnerships such as the GFP• Acknowledging unjust systems and how digitalization, innovations and new technologies can support government accountability while building forward better post COVID-19 <p>Moderator: Ms. Asako Okai, Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator and Director Crisis Bureau, UNDP</p> <p>7:30-8:30 Welcome and panel discussion</p> <p>Keynote: Mr. Achim Steiner, UNDP Administrator</p> <p>Speakers: H.E. Mr. Hayatullah Hayat, Minister, Ministry of Interior Affairs, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan H.E. Ms. Yoko Kamikawa, Minister of Justice, Japan (video message) H.E. Ambassador Mary Elizabeth Flores Flake, Permanent Representative of Honduras to the United Nations H.E. Ambassador Yoka Brandt, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the United Nations Mr. Alexandre Zouev, Assistant Secretary-General for Rule of Law and Security Institutions, OROLSI (TBC) Ms. Colette Rausch, Research Professor and Rule of Law, Conflict & Trauma Practitioner, Mary Hoch Center for Reconciliation</p> <p>8:30-8:50 Statements from the Floor If representatives from Member States would like to register please contact Alexandra.Meierhans@undp.org and Yagiz.Oztepe@undp.org</p> <p>8:50-9.00 Closing remarks Ms. Asako Okai, Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator and Director Crisis Bureau, UNDP</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Session 2 9:15-10:30 EDT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">People Centered Security</p> <p>Title: People first: New approaches that put people at the centre of security efforts</p> <p>Objectives:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Showcase UNDP and partner work in the field • Examine new approaches and lessons learned <p>Moderator: Ms. Noura Hamladji, Deputy Assistant Administrator and Deputy Regional Director of the Regional Bureau for Africa (TBC)</p> <p>9:15-9:20 Opening remarks</p> <p>9:20 – 9:27 The central role of justice in establishing and monitoring people-centered security systems in Burkina Faso H.E. Ms. Victoria Ouedraogo/Kibora, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Civic Promotion, Keeper of the Seals,</p> <p>9:27 – 9:34 Citizen centered security in Moldova H.E. Mr. Cornel Lebedinschi, State Secretary of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Moldova</p> <p>9:34 – 9:41 Innovation in citizen security and human rights in Latin America and the Caribbean H.E. Ms. Laura Chinchilla Miranda – Former President, Costa Rica (2010-2014) (video message)</p> <p>9:41-9:48 Mali's local police approach and the establishment of the local Security Advisory Committees Colonel-Major Philippe Sangare, Representative of Malian SSR Commission</p> <p>9:48– 9:55 Stabilization paving the way for reintegration in Iraq Ms. Zena Ali Ahmad, UNDP Resident Representative Iraq</p> <p>9:55-10:02 People-centered security in Ukraine Ms. Manal Fouani, UNDP Deputy Resident Representative Ukraine</p> <p>10:02-10:30 Discussion and closing</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Session 3 10:45-12:00 EDT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Transformative Power of Women in Justice</p> <p>Title: Exploring how inclusive justice processes enhance trust, accountability, and secure gains for sustainable development</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlight the importance of women’s roles in the justice system and transitional justice processes to develop effective and sustainable responses • Review the challenges and threats female leader’s face in the pursuit of justice and how we can do better to support their work • Showcase partnerships and joint programming for better results <p>Moderators: Katy Thompson, Head - Rule of Law, Security and Human Rights, UNDP Sarah Douglas, Deputy Chief of Peace and Security, UN Women</p>

	<p>10:45 – 10:55 Welcome and introduction</p> <p>10:55 – 11:07 Innovative processes for improving access to justice for women Mr. Christian Hernández Alarcón- Superior Judge of the Superior Court of Justice of Puente Piedra-Ventanilla in Peru and Member of the Gender Justice Commission of the Judicial Branch in Peru</p> <p>11:07-11:14 Supporting women in the judiciary and gender equality Ms. Makhmudova Robakhon Anvarovna, First Deputy Chairperson of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan (TBC)</p> <p>11:14- 11:21 Promoting women’s leadership through survivor-centered approaches to transitional justice Ms. Susana SáCouto, Director of the War Crimes Research Office, Washington College of Law, American University</p> <p>11:21- 11:28 Legal aid services for women in Uganda Ms. Christine Awori, Chief Executive Officer of Uganda Law Society</p> <p>11:28- 11: 35 Addressing gender-based discrimination in law to advance women’s participation in the justice space Ms. Salma Nims, Secretary-General of Jordanian National Commission for Women</p> <p>11:35 – 11:50 Discussion and Q&A</p> <p>11:50 – 12:00 Closing remarks Katy Thompson, Head - Rule of Law, Security and Human Rights, UNDP Sarah Douglas, Deputy Chief of Peace and Security, UN Women</p>
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Wednesday June 23

<p>Session 4 7:30-8:45 EDT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Supporting Accountability for Human Rights</p> <p>Title: Examining accountability mechanisms and putting human rights at the center of Agenda 2030</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highlighting actions from the business sector, state, and civil society stakeholders in progressing human rights obligations for the 2030 Agenda • Reviewing how the international community can increase support to accountability mechanisms <p>Moderator: Ms. Catherine Fiankan-Bokonga, Senior UN Correspondent</p> <p>7:30-7:35 Welcome and introduction</p>
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	<p>7:35-7:40 State accountability for human rights H.E Dr. Shireen Mazari, Minister for Human Rights, Pakistan</p> <p>7:40-7:45 Human rights for democracy Ms. Janine Alm Ericson, State Secretary for International Development Cooperation, Sweden</p> <p>7:45-7:50 Accountability for human rights as we build forward better Ms. Nada Al-Nashif, Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights</p> <p>7:50-7:55 National Human Rights Institutions and National Preventative Mechanisms Ms. Elvira Azimova, Human Rights Commissioner of Kazakhstan</p> <p>7:55– 8:00 The role of the business sector and the roadmap for the next 10 years of implementation of the Guiding Principles of Business and Human Rights Mr. Dante Pesce, Chairperson of the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights</p> <p>8:00-8:05 Challenges to accountability in Lesotho Ms. Nessie Golakai-Gould, Deputy Resident Representative UNDP Lesotho</p> <p>8:05 – 8:40 Discussion and Q&A</p> <p>8:40 – 8:45 Closing</p>
<p>Session 5 9:00-10:15 EDT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Rule of Law in the Digital Age</p> <p>Title: Bridging the digital divide and investing in an inclusive and fair digital transformation</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore the challenges and opportunities of digitalization and innovation in the Rule of Law • Discussing the risks new technologies pose as well as ways to mitigate against them • To explore partnerships in expanding the impact of new technologies on the justice sector <p>Moderator: Ms. Maaïke de Langen, Program Lead Justice for All, Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, NYU-CIC</p> <p>9:00-9:05 Welcome and introduction</p> <p>9:05-9:11 Corporate responsibility in protecting human rights and human rights impact of social media Ms. Miranda Sissons, Director Human Rights Product Policy and Engagement, Facebook (TBC)</p> <p>9:11-9:17 Virtual Caribbean Court of Justice Hon. Mr. Justice Adrian Saunders - President of the Caribbean Court of Justice</p>

	<p>9:17-9:23 Protecting trial fairness and judicial integrity as courts digitize Ms. Sarah McCoubrey, UNDP Judicial Integrity Consultant</p> <p>9:23-9:28 Supporting justice innovations to bridge the justice gap Ms. Mascha Matthews, Director Business Development, The Hague Institute for Innovation of Law</p> <p>9:28-9:43 Q&A and discussion</p> <p>9:43-9:49 UND’s Digital Strategy –Leave No one Behind: Rights, opportunities, and risks Mr. Robert Opp, Chief Digital Officer, UNDP</p> <p>9:49-9:55 Online meditation courts in Georgia Ms. Elene Orjonikidze, Tbilisi City Court Mediation Center Coordinator</p> <p>9:55-10:01 COVID-19 response through MyCourt/Virtual Courts in Bangladesh Mr. Sudipto Mukerjee, Resident Representative UNDP Bangladesh</p> <p>10:01-10:15 Q&A and closing</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Closing Session 6 10:30-11:45 EDT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Future of Justice: Addressing Inequalities Together Closing of the 2021 Annual Meeting</p> <p>Title: Addressing the inheritance of injustice and preventing inequalities for future generations</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring social justice movements centered on systemic weaknesses and inequalities in our societies that COVID-19 both laid bare and exacerbated • Rethinking how we conceptualize justice and what systemic change would mean for future generations and our work • Reviewing emerging trends, opportunities, and challenges within the justice field today <p>Moderator: Mr. George Conway, Deputy Director, Crisis Bureau, UNDP</p> <p>10:30 – 10:35 Welcome and introduction</p> <p>10:35 – 10:42 Scanning the justice horizon Ms. Leanne McKay, Rule of Law and Justice Advisor</p> <p>10:42 – 10:49 Justice and social protest movements Mr. Clément Nyaletsossi Voule, Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association (TBC)</p>

	<p>10:49 – 10:56 The health injustices and inequalities brought to the fore by the COVID-19 pandemic Ms. Mandeep Dhaliwal, Director HIV, Health and Development Group, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, UNDP</p> <p>10:56– 11:03 The impact of inequalities on citizens’ security and safety in Jamaica: SALIENT initiative Ms. Denise E. Antonio, Resident Representative, Jamaica, The Bahamas, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, and Turks and Caicos Island</p> <p>11:03-11:10 Inequalities for access to resources and impacts on future generations TBC</p> <p>11:10-11:17 Partnerships for Agenda 2030 and a more just future Mr. Alejandro E. Alvarez, Chief, Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary General</p> <p>11:17 – 11:30 Roundtable discussion, facilitated by moderator</p> <p>11:30 – 11:45 Closing remarks Katy Thompson, Head Rule of Law, Security and Human Rights, Crisis Bureau UNDP Mr. George Conway, Deputy Director, Crisis Bureau, UNDP</p>
Thursday June 24	
8:30-11:30	<p>Annual Consultation with Partners to the UNDP Global Programme on Strengthening the Rule of Law and Human Rights for Sustaining Peace and Fostering Development (by invite only)</p> <p>8:30-9:30 Global Programme partners discussion (closed session) Ms. Marieke Wierda, Rule of Law coordinator, Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p> <p>9:45-10:45 Presentation of the 2020 Annual Report and propositions for the future Mr. George Conway, Deputy Director, Crisis Bureau, UNDP Ms. Katy Thompson, Head, Rule of Law, Security & Human Rights, Crisis Bureau, UNDP Ms. Leanne McKay, Consultant, Rule of Law, Security & Human Rights, Crisis Bureau, UNDP</p> <p>10:45-11:30 Discussion and closing</p>