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Agenda item 3: Sustainable Development in the Region

Twenty-eighth session of the ECE Committee on Environmental Policy
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2023 SDG Summit (1/2)



Conclusions / key points

- Progress achieved until now has been far from satisfactory, **achievement of the SDGs in peril**
- In ECE region, **less than one out of five measurable targets on track** to be achieved
- **Political Declaration**
 - Reaffirmed **Rio Declaration principles** & importance of the **regional dimension**
 - Committed to scale up **financing**, enhance **partnerships**, **integrated** policies
 - **Commitments to action**: education on sustainable development, mid-term comprehensive review, consumption and production patterns; oceans; national frameworks and action plans



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2023 SDG Summit (2/2)



The next phase of the 2030 Agenda – accelerating progress towards achieving SDGs

- Exploiting synergies between various goals critical for acceleration
 - *Climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution* among the **six key transitions** for systemic impact on SDG achievement
 - **Four “engine room” actions** on country level on each transition area
- **Twelve High Impact Initiatives** of the UNDS: Nature Driving Economic Transformation a. o.
- **Summit of the Future in 2024** to accelerate SDG implementation – based on proposals in Our Common Agenda

2024 Regional Forum on Sustainable Development



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- Tentative theme: **“Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the UNECE region in times of multiple crises: The effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions”**.
- Set of five SDGs to be discussed in-depth at the 2024 HLPF:



Plenary sessions (hybrid)

- 13 March 2024, 10:00-13:00
- 14 March 2024, 15:00-18:00

Peer learning round tables

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- 14 March 2024, 10:00-13:00

Side events (virtual) and preparatory consultations

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Content of the 2024 RFSD (1/2)



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Plenary sessions

- **Focus:**
 - High-level policy debate on accelerating SDG progress and delivering transformative solutions.
 - Operationalizing the outcomes of the SDG Summit, with its focus on key SDG transition areas, including climate change and food systems
 - Regional contribution to the preparations for the Summit of the Future

Peer learning sessions

- **Focus:**
 - Policy issues related to the five SDGs under in-depth review, highlighting concrete policies and actions
- **Main actors:**
 - Government representatives
 - RCP and Issue-based Coalitions
 - UN Resident Coordinators
 - Civil society and other relevant partners





Content of the 2024 RFSD (2/2)



Annual SDG report

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**Growing Challenges for Sustainable Development:
Can the UNECE Region Turn the Tide in 2023?**

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

UNITED NATIONS

Chair's report will be submitted to HLPF

United Nations E/HLPF/2023/3/Add.3

Economic and Social Council Distr.: General
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High-level political forum on sustainable development
Convened under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council
16-19 July 2023
Accelerating the recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at all levels

Report of the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the Economic Commission for Europe Region on its seventh session

Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat hereby transmits, as input to the high-level political forum on sustainable development, the report of the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the Economic Commission for Europe Region on its seventh session, held on 29 and 30 March 2023.

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Report of the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the Economic Commission for Europe Region on its seventh session

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