

UN ECE RCEM

Regional CSO Forum on SDGs

Civil Society Pre-Meeting to UNECE Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
"Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies"

Location: UN PALAIS DE NATIONS, Room XII

Geneva, Wednesday 28 February 2018

Time	Session theme
9:00-9:30	Registration and networking
<u>The third year of the SDGs in the region –</u> Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies in the UNECE region	
9:30-10:00	Plenary opening: introduction of the agenda, forum objectives, and introduction of major groups and participants (identify by hand raising by Major group and region) Opening address (<i>Speakers CSO + UN ECE Olga Algayerova + 1 Member State</i>)
10:00-11:00	The SDG process: how CSOs contribute to the regional forum (1-2 March) and to the HLPF 2018 including intro to RCEM and Major Groups <i>Aim: explain process</i>
11:00-12:00	Interactive session on the 5 focus SDGs for 2018: SDG6, SDG7, SDG11, SDG12, SDG15 (including discussions SDG17 and the cross-cutting interlinkages between 6,7,12,15).
12:00-13:00	Status of Voluntary National Reports from CSOs of VNR countries VNR statements from CSOs: on experiences from the 2017 HLPF process and from 2018 reporting countries (15) from the region: ALBANIA, ANDORRA, ARMENIA, GREECE, HUNGARY, IRELAND, LATVIA, LITHUANIA, MALTA, POLAND, ROMANIA, SLOVAKIA, SPAIN, SWITZERLAND, MOLDOVA.

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13:00-14:30	<p>Pre-Lunch interventions by UN agencies incl. UNWOMEN Geneva office, UNFPA report back</p> <p>Lunch break</p> <p>Side event during lunch (tbc)</p>
14:30-15:30	<p>WORK GROUPS of VNRs and thematic SDG to prepare input Round Tables of the next day: VNR countries EECCA (Russian speaking?), VNR countries EU (English speaking), SDG6, SDG7, SDG11, SDG12, SDG15, SDG17, Key points for opening statement from all groups</p> <p>Working method: 5 key points for round tables, 1-3 key points for opening statement from each group</p>
15:30-16:30	<p>Key points from the working groups for CSO statement, how to we get input from the VNRs into the 5 thematic SDG round tables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Draft statement with input from all groups on the screen (drafting group to continue working on this)
16:30-17:00	<p>How to better implement the new Agenda 2030- Challenges and Perspectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Indicator frameworks● Regional CSO engagement mechanism● Working groups next steps, planning, structure, processes, communication, follow up, etc.
17:00-17:30	<p>Planning for the Regional Forum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nominations and election of speaker(s) and RT participants for 1 and 2 March
17:30-18:00	<p>Closing session</p>