

## VNR Lab 1. "What are the VNRs (not) telling us?"

Tuesday, 5 July 2022 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM EST (Virtual Event on Zoom)

Voluntary national reviews (VNRs) are an important process for learning from the experience of countries in implementing the 2030 Agenda. The Committee for Development Policy (CDP) has been analyzing the VNRs presented at the HLFP every year since 2017, with the objective to review how the reports are succeeding in this regard and provide recommendations for how they could be improved.

The CDP analysis is an assessment of the VNRs and the VNR process, not a review of progress on achievement of development goals. It is a study of how the VNRs presented each year have considered, or failed to consider, selected cross-cutting principles, goals or targets. This year's review analysed reporting on the principle of leave no one behind, inequality, pandemic preparedness, gender inequality, environment, and 'orphan targets' (not covered).

CDP members will provide an overview of their analysis and share their findings and recommendations. Representatives of Member States and civil society will comment on these findings and recommendations, and how the VNRs can be strengthened as an effective instrument in accelerating SDG implementation.

Registration for this event is available here: bit.ly/2022-VNR-Lab-1-Registration'

Meeting link: Zoom (Meeting ID: 868 3415 6884, Passcode: 387890)

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## PROGRAMME OF SPEAKERS

Time	
8:00 – 8:05 am	Opening and welcome Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
8:05 – 8:20 pm	Overview of CDP analysis of the VNRs  Ms. Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Development Economist and Panelist, Committee for Development Policy
8:20 – 8:35 pm	CDP findings on the treatment of specific themes in the VNRs - Rolph van der Hoeven, Committee for Development Policy - Natalya Volchkova, Committee for Development Policy - Trudi Hartzenberg, Committee for Development Policy
8:35 – 8:45 pm	Reflections from the EU and civil society
8:45 – 9:00 am	Discussion
	Moderator: Roland Mollerus, Chief, Secretariat of the Committee for Development Policy, UNDESA