



**The President
of the
Economic and Social Council**

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Excellency,

I am writing to invite the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council and other intergovernmental bodies and forums to contribute to the 2026 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), which will meet under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council from 6 to 15 July 2026 at United Nations Headquarters in New York. This includes the three-day ministerial segment of the forum from 13 to 15 July 2026, as part of the High-level Segment of the Council.

The HLPF is the central platform for the global follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Its outcome is a negotiated ministerial declaration. In accordance with General Assembly resolution [70/1](#), the HLPF undertakes thematic reviews of progress on the SDGs, including cross-cutting issues. These reviews are supported by inputs from the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council and other intergovernmental bodies and forums, reflecting the integrated nature of the Goals and their interlinkages.

The theme of the 2026 HLPF is “*Transformative, equitable, innovative and coordinated actions for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals for a sustainable future for all*”. The Forum will conduct in-depth reviews of the following SDGs without prejudice to their integrated, indivisible and interlinked nature:

- **Goal 6:** Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all;
- **Goal 7:** Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all;
- **Goal 9:** Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation;
- **Goal 11:** Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable; and
- **Goal 17:** Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development.

The 2026 HLPF will also support the implementation and follow up to the [Pact for the Future](#), the [Sevilla Commitment](#), and the outcome of the [Second World Summit for Social Development](#).

The General Assembly, in its resolution [75/290 B](#), reiterated that the HLPF should consider inputs from intergovernmental bodies and forums, including relevant multi-stakeholder forums, and incorporate findings, research, data and recommendations from the United Nations system. These inputs are made available through the [HLPF inputs database](#).

I wish to express my appreciation to all contributors to the 2025 HLPF thematic review. A total of 62 inputs were received from functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, other intergovernmental bodies and forums and UN system organizations.

**Chairs of the functional commissions of ECOSOC
and other intergovernmental bodies and forums**

I kindly invite you to provide substantive inputs to the 2026 HLPF theme and review of the above SDGs, as well as to the ministerial declaration.

Please consider the following template for your inputs, taking into account your intergovernmental body's mandate and perspectives:

- (a) **Assessment** of achievements and/or impediments in implementing SDGs 6, 7, 9, 11, and 17.
- (b) **Key areas** where innovative, inclusive and transformative solutions are being advanced to achieve the Goals under review, ensuring that no one is left behind.
- (c) **Examples** of efforts to enhance coordination on cross-cutting initiatives, programmes and activities aimed at scaling up impact across multiple Goals, given their interlinked nature.
- (d) **Follow-up actions and measures** being undertaken by your intergovernmental body or forum to support the implementation of the *Pact of the Future*, the *Sevilla Commitment*, the outcome of the Second World Summit for Social Development, as well as to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; and
- (e) **Recommendations and key messages** to be considered for inclusion in the Ministerial Declaration of the 2026 ECOSOC High-level Segment and HLPF.

Inputs should be as focused and concise as possible, in line with the above template, presented either in bulleted or narrative format.

Kindly submit your contribution **no later than 2 March 2026** to the HLPF Secretariat (e-mail: wang24@un.org, rangaswami@un.org, cc: cruz@un.org, lee-dawkins@un.org).

I look forward to your valuable contributions to the 2026 HLPF.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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