

10 May 2016

Excellency,

The United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) will convene under the auspices of ECOSOC at UN headquarters in New York from 11 to 20 July 2016 (with a ministerial segment on 18 -20 July).

The forum was created at the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in June 2012 (Rio+20) to provide high-level policy guidance and promote and review implementation of sustainable development. The theme of the 2016 session is "Ensuring that no one is left behind", which highlights the integrated and universal nature of the agenda and the indivisibility of the SDGs. The outcome of the HLPF will result in a negotiated ministerial declaration.

The concept note containing the possible modalities of this year's meeting has been posted on the HLPF webpage (https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf) and we would welcome your constructive comments regarding the modalities by Wednesday, 18 May 2016.

For any clarifications, please contact Mr. Hoon-min Lim, Minister-Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the UN (e-mail: korea.un@mofa.go.kr; tel: 1-212-439-4056), or Ms. Irena Zubcevic, Officer in Charge, Intergovernmental and Interagency Branch, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail: zubcevic@un.org; tel.: 1-212-963-4528).

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

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