Symposium on
“Building Effective, Accountable and Inclusive Institutions and Public Administration for Advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”

5-8 December 2017
Songdo Convensia Convention Center
Incheon, Republic of Korea

Background
Many governments across Asia and the Pacific are making concerted progress in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Countries have been adapting SDG targets to national circumstances and priorities, aligning and incorporating the 17 Goals and 169 Targets into policies and development plans where applicable.

The SDGs, as an integrated framework, require whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches and many countries have been moving in this direction. Countries are adapting their institutions, engaging local governments, parliaments and other actors, while identifying follow-up and review structures.

Governments, public institutions and public administration can foster integrated approaches to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda from national to local levels.

The Ministerial Declaration of the 2017 High-Level Political Forum (HLPF), the main UN platform on sustainable development, particularly calls for the need to take appropriate action towards localizing and communicating the SDGs at all levels, from the national to the community and grassroots level.

Against this backdrop, the Division for Public Administration and Development Management (DPADM) of the UNDESA, through its Project Office on Governance (UNPOG), in collaboration with the Government of the Republic of Korea are organizing a Symposium from 5 to 8 December 2017 on “Building Effective, Accountable and Inclusive Institutions and Public Administration for Advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”.

The ultimate aim for the Symposium is to strengthen public governance for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and enable governments to respond to the SDGs in innovative ways, drawing from the strategies that different countries are implementing.
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Day 0 – Tuesday, 5 December 2017

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| 14:00-18:00   | Study Tour on Smart City Management, Incheon Metropolitan City  
|               | Group I: Urban Disaster Management Emergency Warning Control Office (14:00 - 16:00)  
|               | Smart City Control Center (16:00 - 18:00)  
|               | Group II: Waste Treatment and Resources Recovery Environmental Corporation of Incheon (14:00 - 16:00)  
|               | Waste Treatment Policy, Wastewater Terminal Processing, Sewage Treatment, Incineration and Resources Recovery (16:00 – 18:00) |                                           |

Day 1 – Wednesday, 6 December 2017

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| 09:30-10:05   | Opening Remarks  
|               | • Ministry of the Interior and Safety of the Republic of Korea  
|               | • UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs | Opening of the symposium with high level representatives |

Welcoming Remarks
• Incheon Metropolitan City

Keynote Speeches
• Tan Sri Dr. Ali Hamsa, Chief Secretary to the Government of Malaysia, and UN CEPA Member  
• H.E. Ismat Ara Sadique, Minister of State, Ministry of Public Administration, Bangladesh
10:05-10:30  Group Photo & Coffee Break

10:30-12:30  Plenary Session I


Chair & Keynote Address: Ms. Marion Barthélemy, Director, UNDESA/DPADM

Plenary Remarks
- Mr. Chae Gun Chung, Head of UNPOG, UNDESA/DPADM
- Mr. Saber Chowdhury, Honorary President of Inter-Parliamentary Union, Member of Parliament, Bangladesh
- Mr. Leonard Tampubolon, Deputy Minister, Ministry of National Development Planning / National Development Planning Agency (BAPPENAS), Indonesia
- Hon. Kamaljeet Sehrawat, Mayor of South Delhi, India
- Dr. Kamarjah Noruddin, SDG Focal Point, Prime Minister’s Economic Planning Unit, Malaysia
- Mr. Brian Lariche, Boardmember, Asia, Aflatoun International

Opening plenary of Symposium emphasizing intergovernmental coordination, multi-stakeholder partnerships and policy harmonization for the SDGs

12:30-14:00  Networking Lunch

14:00-15:30  Plenary Session I (continued)

“Strategic planning for implementing the 2030 Agenda”

Chair: Mr. Robertson Work, Professor of Innovative Leadership, New York University

Keynote address
Ms. Michaela Prokop, Regional Programme Advisor for SDGs, UNDP Asia-Pacific Regional Centre

Plenary Remarks
- Mr. M. Aslam Alam, Rector, Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre (BPATC), Ministry of Public Administration
- Mr. Dasho Karma Tshiteem, Chairman, Royal Civil Service Commission, Bhutan
- Mr. Roy Mae, Under Secretary, Ministry of Development Planning and Aid Coordination, Solomon Islands
- Ms. Christine Aisoli, First Assistant Secretary, Policy and Budgets Division, Department of National Planning and Monitoring, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea

Interactive Session

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15:30-16:00  Coffee break

16:00-18:00  Parallel Breakaway Groups – Session I

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During this afternoon portion of the plenary panelists will present how national strategic plans are integrating the 2030 Agenda, reflecting on institutional leadership for the SDGs.
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<td>The plenary focuses on vertical integration in government to ensure greater measurable local results on the SDG targets</td>
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**Chair:** Ms. Michaela Prokop, Regional Programme Advisor for SDGs, UNDP Asia-Pacific Regional Centre

**Keynote address**
Ms. Durreen Shahnaz, Founder, Impact Investment Exchange and Foundation

**Plenary Remarks**
- Ms. Girlie Grace Casimiro-Igtiben, Chief Economic Development Specialist, National Economic and Development Authority, The Philippines
- Mr. Hoiseung Lee, Director General, International Cooperation Bureau, Seoul Metropolitan Government
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| 10:30-12:30 | Parallel Breakaway Groups - Session II | Group I: Localizing the SDGs  
Moderator: Mr. Arab Hoballah, Team Leader, EU-GIZ, SWITCH-Asia SCP Facility  
- Hon. Asha Kumari, Chandigarh, India  
- Hon. Eloy C. Eclar, Mayor of Gerona, Philippines  
- Mr. Kalanidhi Devkota, Executive-Secretary, Municipalities Association of Nepal (MUAN)  
- Mr. Chang-Soo Choe, Professor, Cyber Hankuk University of Foreign Studies  
- Ms. Eah Antonio, The Philippines, 2030 Youth Force (Initiated by UNDP & UNV)  
Q&A Session  
Table Dialogues  
Reporting back and wrap-up by rapporteur  
| Group II: Resources Allocation between National and Local Governments  
Moderator: Ms. Adriana Alberti, Senior Governance and Public Administration Officer, UNDESA/DPADM  
- Ms. Christine Aisoli, First Assistant Secretary, Policy and Budgets Division, Department of National Planning and Monitoring, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea  
- Mr. Syviliengxay Orabouné, Acting Director General, Center for Socio-Economic Science and Policy Research, National Institute for Economic Research (NIER) of Lao Government, Lao PDR  
- Hon. Suriya Yeekhun, Mayor of Prik Municipality, Thailand  
- Mr. Moise Tchantkouni, Professor, France  
- Mr. David Kasdan, Associate Professor, Department of Public Administration, Graduate School of Governance, SungKyunKwan University  
Q&A Session  
Table Dialogues  
Reporting back and wrap-up by rapporteur  
| Group III: Making Cities and Human Settlements Inclusive, Safe, Resilient and Sustainable  
Moderator: Prof. Young-sook Nam, Secretary General, World Smart Sustainable Cities Organization (WeGO)  
- Ms. Waltraut Ritter, Founder and Principal, Knowledge Dialogues  
- Mr. Wang Xingquan, Director of Research Center on Innovation, Institute of Information Sciences, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences  
- Mr. Shaleen Singhal, Professor of Sustainable Cities, TERI University, India  
- Mr. Hi Yong Lee, Director, Technical Operations Division, Incheon Smart City Corporation  
- Mr. Gerald Paragas, Representative of the Governor of Provincial Government of Pangasinan, The Philippines  
- Ms. Binita Karki, Nepal, 2030 Youth Force (Initiated by UNDP & UNV)  
Q&A Session  
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Reporting back and wrap-up by rapporteur  
| 12:30-14:00 | Networking Lunch | Networking luncheon                                                      |
| 14:00-15:15 | Plenary Session III | “Improving Public Service Delivery and Promoting Inclusion through Innovation and ICTs”  
Chair: Ms. Jennifer Tan, Director, Government Technology Agency, Singapore  

Plenary remarks  
- Ms. Adriana Alberti, Senior Governance and Public Administration Officer, UNDESA/DPADM  
- Mr. Zheng Lei, Associate Professor, Public Management, Fudan  
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Keynote address

- Mr. Liam Maxwell, National Technology Adviser, Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport, United Kingdom

Panel Discussion

- Mr. Moermahadi Soerja Djanegara, Chairman of the Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia
- Mr. Saber Chowdhury, Honorary President of Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), Member of Parliament, Bangladesh
- Mr. Yeom Tae-Young, Mayor of Suwon City, Republic of Korea
- Mr. Mohammad Nabi Sroosh, SDG Focal Point, Director General of Policy & RBM, Ministry of Economy, Afghanistan
- Ms. Waltraut Ritter, Founder and Principal, Knowledge Dialogues

Question & Answer Session

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30 Plenary Session V “Voluntary National Reviews in the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)”

Chair: Ms. Marion Barthélemy, Director, UNDESA/DPADM

Panel Discussion

- Mr. Sangmin Nam, Acting Head, ESCAP Sub-regional office for East and North-East Asia
- Mr. Samuel Grundler, Director of Aid, Planning & Aid Division, Ministry of Finance, Government of Nauru
- Dr. Kamariah Noruddin, SDG Focal Point, Prime Minister’s Economic Planning Unit, Malaysia

Question & Answer Session

12:30-14:00 Lunch

14:00-14:20 Presentations from the Parallel Breakaway Groups - Lessons learned and Recommendations

The nine parallel breakaway groups have elected representatives to present on their lessons learned and outcomes for the interactive discussion
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- Singapore (public administration training and digital government)
- Malaysia (public administration training)
- Global Green Growth Institute (on training and other government technical cooperation opportunities that could be offered)
- India TERI University (SDGs training for governments in South Asia or wider Asia)
- Korea National Information Society Agency (e-government training programme) |
| 16:00-18:00  | Communiqué & Closing Session                                                          | Adoption of the Communiqué by representatives and closing of the Symposium |