2018 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

Implementing the SDGs - Lessons from the Arab Region

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Mr. Mohamed Ali Alhakim, Under-Secretary General, Executive Secretary of UN-ESCWA
60% of the Population in the Arab Region is under 30
VNRs in the ESCWA Region

VNRs in the ESCWA Region in Numbers
2016 - 2019

- Cumulative sum of countries that have conducted a VNR
- Did not conduct a VNR

* Expected number
After the VNRs
Going Forward

**Bringing the region together:** Finding the regional solutions to our regional challenges
Partnerships

League of Arab States

UN/RCM

ESCWA

Donors

Financial Institutions

Civil Society and Academia

Media
ESCWA as a Platform

15,000 visitors to ESCWA in the last 12 months

- Arab Forum for Sustainable Development-2018
  300 Attendees

- 30th Ministerial Session
  200 Attendees
Outreach for Sustainable Development

First half 2018, doubled twitter following

Outreach to Schools

Outreach to Universities

Media as partner

Animated Videos

Varied Digital Content

Live- tweeting ESCWA Events
Final Messages

- Institutional stability and the ability to rebuild
- Leading a cultural change for Sustainable Development
- Regional Solutions to regional problems
- Peace is an international responsibility
Thank You.