

## **Session: Subregional Perspectives & Review of Cluster of SDG Goals (6, 7, 9 and 11) for HLPF 2023 in South and South-West Asia**

The session is expected to develop subregional perspectives on the cluster of goals under review at the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) 2023 in the form of impact on progress due to the COVID-19 pandemic, challenges, priorities, good practices, and propose solutions to accelerate progress by harnessing cross-border cooperation among other means. Through break-out sessions, led by conveners of the working groups, this session will identify subregional priorities, reflect on opportunities for subregional responses, with focus on measures needed for vulnerable groups most affected by the pandemic to leave no one behind. Specifically, it will:

- Identify the unique set of challenges and needs of countries and the subregion, and discuss concrete collaborations that could be developed with partners.
- Expand field of work to incorporate a subregional perspective to better support ESCAP member States; and
- Gather information on priorities, policies, stakeholder-led initiatives and projects for possible inclusion in the work of ESCAP for South and South-West Asia subregion.

Apart from the ‘Introductory Plenary’ that will review the *2023 SDG Partnership Report*, working groups will discuss SDG 6 (Clean Water & Sanitation); SDG 7 (Affordable & Clean Energy); SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation & Infrastructure); and SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities & Communities) comprising of government officials, experts, UNRCO representatives, UNCT experts, and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs).

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**Note: This session is not open for abstracts.**