# **UNPAN Partners' Newsletter**

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# Regional webinar on "Resilience & Recovery from Covid-19 through Sound Policymaking" with a focus on "Policy Coherence"

UN DESA/DPIDG, the Resident Coordinators Offices and the APRM held the third and last webinar of a series of webinars on how to promote resilience and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic in Africa through sound policymaking. The webinar aimed to share knowledge on the strategies and guidance notes on the 11 Principles on Effective Governance for the Implementation of the SDGs. The webinar was held virtually on **17 January 2022**. For more information, click on <a href="https://un-pan.un.org/node/1594">https://un-pan.un.org/node/1594</a>



Webinar on "Effective Governance for Transformational Change: Strengthening Capacities, Mindsets and Competencies of Public Institutions to Build the Next Generation of Public Servants in the Asia-Pacific Region"

UN DESA / DPIDG with support from UNPOG, and in collaboration with UN ESCAP organized a capacity development webinar to launch the Curriculum on Governance for the Sustainable Development Goals in the Asia-Pacific region. The Webinar was held on **24 January 2022**. For more information click on <a href="https://un-pan.un.org/node/1597">https://un-pan.un.org/node/1597</a>

# **Snapshot of Capacity Development Activities 2021**

This report provides a snapshot of the capacity development activities undertaken by UN DESA/ DPIDG in 2021. For more information, kindly click the title. To access the report, kindly click <a href="https://un-thtps://un

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### Workshop on "Changing Mindsets in Public Institutions to Implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Pakistan"

UN DESA/DPIDG and the National School of Public Policy (NSPP) of Pakistan, in collaboration with the UN Resident Coordinator Office in Pakistan, co-organized a fiveday Capacity Development Training Workshop on Changing Mindsets in Public Institutions to Realize the 2030 Agenda in Pakistan. The objective of the workshop was to equip public servants with innovative mindsets and behaviors to better address current and future challenges. The Workshop was held from **24 to 28 January 2022**. For more information, click on <a href="https://un-pan.un.org/node/1603">https://un-pan.un.org/node/1603</a>



# Workshop on "Institutional Arrangements for Coherent Policy Formulation in the Areas of Climate, Land, Energy and Water Systems (CLEWS) in Namibia"

UN DESA/DPIDG and EAPD, the Namibia Resident Coordinator's Office, UNECA, UNDP, FAO and the Namibian National Planning Commission held a hybrid capacity development workshop on Institutional Arrangements for Coherent Policy Formulation in the Areas of Climate, Land, Energy and Water System (CLEWS) in Namibia. Participants discussed how to develop, transfer and apply the Climate, Land, Energy and Water systems (CLEWs) framework and how to strengthen the institutional arrangements to support integrated approaches to policy formulation and coherence. The workshop took place from 7-9 February 2022 in Swakopmund, Namibia. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1563">https://unpan.un.org/node/1563</a>



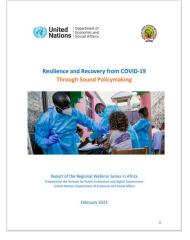
# Workshop on "Promotion of Intergenerational Equity for Sustainable Development"

UN DESA/DPIDG organized a virtual workshop on the promotion of intergenerational equity for sustainable development. The workshop forms part of a series to launch the Strategy Guidance Notes to operationalize the principles of effective governance for sustainable development which were developed by the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (CEPA) and endorsed by the Economic and Social Council. One of the princi-

ples is on intergenerational equity to ensure inclusiveness. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the principle of intergenerational equity requires countries to be engaged with and aware of the various dimensions of impact assessment, long-term public debt management, long-term territorial planning and spatial development and ecosystem management. The virtual workshop discussed these strategies for pursuing intergenerational equity and attempted to share knowledge, raised awareness and provided a platform to connect participants with partners in other countries, the UN system and other organizations to take further concrete activities. held action-oriented It was 8 March 2022. For more information click on https://unpan.un.org/node/1615.

# Report on "Resilience and Recovery from Covid-19 through Sound Policymaking"

This report summarizes the key highlights and messages that were conveyed by the facilitators, speakers, and participants during the Regional Webinar Series "How to Promote Resilience and Recovery COVID-19 from the **Pandemic** Africa in through Sound Policymaking" held respectively 16 on



**November, 8 December 2021, and 17 January 2022**. The workshops were organized by DPIDG/UN DESA, in collaboration with APRM and the support of Resident Coordinator Offices. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1637">https://unpan.un.org/node/1637</a> or click directly on the <a href="mailto:report">report</a>.



**Capacity Building Workshop on New Approaches to e-Government for SDG Implementation.** UN DESA /

DPIDG, in collaboration with the D-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation, organized a capacity building workshop on new approaches to e-government for SDG implementation. The objective of the workshop was to raise awareness on innovative approaches in e-government policies and implementation strategies and increase participants' capacities on how to use them for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. It took place on **15 and 16 March 2022**. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1624">https://unpan.un.org/node/1624</a>



Peer-to-Peer Learning International Workshop on "Public Service Training Assessment for Strengthening Capacities of Public Servants to Support the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals"

The Royal Civil Service Commission (RCSC) of the Government of Bhutan, in collaboration with UN DESA/DPIDG and UNPOG, with the support of the UN Resident Coordinator Office in Bhutan, peer-to-peer organized a **virtual** learning international workshop on public service assessment framework strengthening capacities of public servants to support the implementation of the SDGs. It provided a platform for practitioners and decisionmakers of the RCSC, Bhutan and its affiliated institutes to learn lessons from international good practices. The workshop took place from 16 to 17 March 2022. For more info. click https://unpan.un.org/node/1633



Innovation, Digital Government and Changing Mindset for Public Sector Transformation in Guyana to Achieve the SDGs

UN DESA/DPIDG, the Ministry of Public Service of Guyana, CARICAD and CARICOM, with the support of the Resident Coordinator Office, co-organized a **Training Workshop on Innovation, Digital Government and Changing Mindset for Public Sector Transformation in Guyana to Achieve the SDGs**. The course was attended by Permanent and Deputy Permanent Secretaries, Regional Executive Officers, Chief Executive Officers of Guyana. The Training Workshop took place from **22 to 31 March 2022**. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1640">https://unpan.un.org/node/1640</a>

### Policy Briefs:



The UN DESA policy brief on Connecting the Dots: The Still Elusive Synergies Between Accountability Institutions and the Follow-up and Review of the Sustainable Development Goals discusses the critical importance of connecting SDG follow-up and review systems with accountability institutions. For more information, click on https://unpan.un.org/node/1574



The policy brief on A View of Changes in Institutional Arrangements for SDG Implementation at the National

<u>Level Since 2015</u> reviews institutional arrangements to implement the SDGs in a sample of 24 diverse countries. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1583">https://unpan.un.org/node/1583</a>

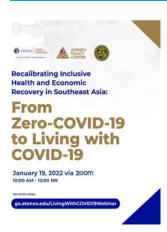


The policy brief on <u>Building Capacities of Public Servants to Implement the 2030 Agenda</u> explores the landscape of capacity-building activities targeting civil servants based on publicly available information for a sample of 24 countries. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1580">https://unpan.un.org/node/1580</a>



The policy brief on <u>Sandboxing and Experimenting Digital Technologies for Sustainable Development</u> benefits from a study of over 60 cases of policy experiments and regulatory sandboxes from different countries across different regions. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1577">https://unpan.un.org/node/1577</a>

#### **Activities from UNPAN Members:**



EROPA's online round table discussion on "Recalibrating Inclusive Health and Economic Recovery in Southeast Asia: From Zero-COVID-19 to Living with COVID-19"

The Ateneo School of Government, through the Ateneo Policy Center, in partnership with the Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration (EROPA), hosted an online roundtable discussion on **Recalibrating Inclusive Health and Economic Recovery in Southeast Asia: From Zero-COVID-19 to Living with COVID-19** on **19 January 2022**. For more information, click on <a href="https://unpan.un.org/node/1600">https://unpan.un.org/node/1600</a>



**Call for Papers: "Challenges of Effective Governance** for Sustainable Development at Subnational Government Levels". The Journal for Public Sector Economics called for papers on the thematic issue of "Challenges of effective governance for sustainable development at subnational government levels". The editors welcomed theoretical, empirical and policy-oriented contributions analyzing the challenges and policy options faced by subnational governments committed to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Some key issues to be addressed included: How have subnational governments in countries around the world changed and adapted? What policy and implementation challenges have they faced? Which measures have they implemented? How? What are the policy implications and lessons learned? The manuscript deadline was 15 February 2022. For more information click on https://unpan.un.org/node/1560



In collaboration with its organizing partners, the Faculty of Social Sciences, Kasetsart University will hold its first international online conference on **Roles of Social** 

Sciences in Sustainability Transformation in the Global South on 9 June 2022. This conference explores how social sciences may contribute to the conception, design, and implementation of the many sustainable transformations that must be accomplished for people across the Global South to continue to experience sustainable gains. For more information, click on https://unpan.un.org/node/1621



EROPA and the Ministerial Roundtable Conference in the World Government Summit 2022 (WGS2022) in Dubai.

The WGS2022 brought together government leaders and professionals from around the globe in Dubai, UAE, to discuss some of the world's most pressing concerns. More than



4,000 people from 190 nations attended the WGS2022, which took place on **28-30 March 2022** at Expo 2020 Dubai. For more information, click on EROPA's <u>Bulletin No.42</u>

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