

INTERVENTION BY STAN NKWAIN

"High-Level Consultation on the Roadmap for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies"
18 July 2017, 1:15-2:30 pm in Conference Room 7, UNHQ New York.

- I am pleased to pass on greetings from UNDP Administrator Mr. Achim Steiner who apologises that he is unavailable to attend due to clashing obligations. He wishes every success for the event and looks forward to hearing about the initiative in detail.
- We commend the efforts of NYU-CIC to support Member States in development of a "Roadmap for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies: A Call to Action to Change Our World". We encourage partners to coalesce around a set of core priorities on SDG16 and related targets, as a key enabler for delivery of the entire 2030 Agenda.
- We greatly value our collaboration with NYU-CIC and the Pathfinders, through UNDP's role as co-facilitator with UNODC and UNESCO of the Global Alliance for Reporting progress on promoting peaceful, just and inclusive societies.
- Demand for support is growing. At a recent workshop of the Global Alliance for the Latin America and Caribbean region in Buenos Aires (14-16 June), as co-facilitators UNDP, UNODC and UNESCO supported mixed government-civil society-private sector delegations from 14 countries to develop plans for inclusive reporting on peaceful, just and inclusive societies – including El Salvador and Uruguay who are presenting their VNRs to the HLPF this week.
- The co-facilitators will now support countries to take these plans forward by connecting them with relevant expertise, partners, and advice. Key themes for delivery include the nature of engagement by the private sector, and the development of tools and materials to make the most of specific reporting opportunities in different country contexts.
- We are also receiving an increasing number of expressions of interest from other Member States to receive direct support – Burkina Faso, Angola, Malawi, South Sudan and others have reached out informally to the Secretariat, and we expect official letters of request to be sent by government representatives to the Steering Committee.
- Whilst delivering these country-level results through the Global Alliance, we look forward to continuing to work closely together with the Pathfinders, and with other related initiatives, including the 16+ Forum to support Member States in delivery of SDG16 and related targets ahead of the HLPF in 2019.
- UNDP will continue to use our role in support of the UNDG's MAPS framework to promote all aspects of delivery of SDG16 at the heart of the integrated and universal 2030 Agenda.

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