Advancing the Six Transitions: What Role for Young People?

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INVITATION

You are cordially invited to this 2024 Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the UNECE Region side event “Advancing the Six Transitions: What Role for Young People?”

The 2023 SDG Progress Report has clearly shown our efforts to address global challenges and achieve a better and more sustainable future for all by 2030 very weak, insufficient; stalled or gone into reverse. Key findings in relation to young people include higher unemployment, low connectivity, limited digital skills, to climate change education not kept up with youth demand, youth not prepared for a greener future, and limited participation in decision-making.

In response, the Secretary-General of the United Nations has called for a “Rescue Plan for People and Planet” for ambitious actions and shifts to jump-start progress through strengthened multilateral cooperation and support for the United Nations development system.

The six transitions proposed are linked to food systems, energy, digital connectivity, education, jobs, and planetary crises of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution. These are priorities with catalytic and multiplier effects across the SDG and require the full engagement of young people.

This side event will bring together UN agencies, policy makers and practitioners to discuss and showcase, how to cooperate better to deliver on the above aspiration and goals by placing young people at the center of the agenda, and explore how to meet the needs of young people through the six transitions while also preparing for the challenges of the future? How to build trust and accountability with young people on commitments made in the past, including STEP UP: a joint commitment by Heads of UN entities to promote the right of young people and future generations to a healthy environment and their meaningful participation in decision-making at all levels, in relation to climate action and climate justice? How to integrate the voices of young people in global governance? And how to use the energy, passion, creativity, and dedication of young people to bring about impactful solutions to accelerate the SDGs by empowering young people.

More information: tiny.cc/GEN11Mar24Youth

REGISTRATION

The event will take place online. Participants can register via the Webex platform.