

## EMG Nexus Dialogue Series on Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) – A vehicle to address the triple planetary crisis and to promote a sustainable economic and social transformation

Paving the way towards a UN Alliance for SDG12

# Nexus Dialogue 1: Digitalisation for Circular Economy and Green Jobs for Youth

Draft Agenda 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 13:30 - 17:00 CET

International Labour Organization (ILO), Rte des Morillons 4, 1211 in Geneva, Room VII R2

Online link: (<https://ilo-org.zoom.us/s/96215889544>)

## Agenda

13:30-13:35 Introduction by Moderator of Session I

### Welcoming words

Moustapha Kamal Gueye, Director Priority Action Programme, Just Transitions towards Environmentally Sustainable Economies and Societies, International Labour Organization (ILO)

13:35- 13:40

### Opening remarks

Hossein Fadaei, Head of the EMG Secretariat

13:40-13:45

## Session I

Digitalisation as a driver for circular economy and new business models: our responsibility and opportunities

13:45-15:15 CEST

Moderator: Jorge Laguna Celis, Head of the One Planet Network

13:45-13:47

Introduction by the Moderator

13:47-14:20

### Keynotes

- UNEP and CODES – **Impact Initiative on Digitalisation for Circular Economy** – enhancing digital transformation through Inter-agency and multi-stakeholder collaboration. (10min)

	<p>Mr. David Jensen, CODES Co-Champion and UNEP Digital Transformation Subprogramme Coordinator (<i>Confirmed, in person</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UNIDO – <b>Fourth Industrial Revolution and circularity</b> – work for all, resting on four pillars: innovation, digital infrastructure, digital skills, and digital cooperation and partnerships. (7min) Mr. Marco Kamiya, UNIDO Chief of Digital Transformation and AI Strategies (<i>Confirmed, virtually</i>)</li> </ul>
14:20-14:45	<i>Panellist reactions and dialogue: Delivering as ONE UN - digitalisation for circular economy. Introduction by Moderator</i>
14:25-14:50	<p><b>Dialogue on Digitalisation and Circular Economy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reyna Ubeda, <b>ITU</b>, Project Officer (<i>Confirmed in person</i>)</li> <li>Ms. Elisabeth Türk, <b>UNECE</b> Director of Economic Cooperation and Trade Division, (<i>Confirmed in person</i>)</li> <li>Reina Otsuka, <b>UNDP</b> Digital Innovation Lead for Nature, Climate Energy and CODES Co-Champion (<i>Confirmed, virtually</i>)</li> <li>Mette Grangaard Lund, <b>ILO</b> Technical Officer Green Jobs (<i>Confirmed in person</i>)</li> </ul>
14:45-15:00	<b>Open dialogue and questions and answers</b>
15:00-15:15	<b>Break</b>

## Session II

*Upskilling and reskilling for green jobs in the age of digitalization and circularity*

15:15-16:50 CEST

Moderator: Steven Stone, Deputy Director, Industry and Economy Division, UNEP, and Chair of PAGE. (confirmed virtually)

15:15-15:20	The Moderator will introduce the topic, providing an overview of the importance of a green economic and social transformation, especially by creating green jobs that unlock the potential for a digital and circular economy.
15:20-15:45	<p><b>The Moderator will introduce ILO speakers and keynote presentations:</b></p> <p><b>Keynotes</b></p> <p>ILO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"Green jobs for youth in circularity and digitalisation", Speaker <i>Susana Puerto Gonzalez, Senior Youth Employment Specialist</i></li> <li>"Reskilling and upskilling needs and policy measures for the circular and digital transitions", <i>Olga, Strietska-Ilina, Senior Skills and Employability Specialist, Team Area Lead Skills Strategies for Future Labour Markets</i></li> </ul>
15:45-16:20	<i>Panellist reactions and dialogue on strengthening efforts to create Green Jobs for Youth</i>

#### Dialogue on Green Jobs

- PAGE: Asad Naqvi, Head of PAGE Secretariat, (*Confirmed in Person*)
- UNITAR: Ms. Amrei Horstbrink, Senior Specialist Climate Change and Green Development (*Confirmed in Person*)
- UNWOMEN: Bindu Bhandari, Climate Change Analyst, (*Confirmed virtually*)
- Office of The Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, Sudha Balakrishnan Head of the Youth 2030 Secretariat (*Confirmed virtually*)

16:20-16:45

Open dialogue and Questions and Answers

Closing Remarks

### Working as ONE UN – towards a UN Alliance for SDG12

Jorge Laguna-Celis, Head of the One Planet Network

16:45-17:00

#### Working as ONE in a UN Alliance for SDG12

- Reflections on promoting the relevance and co-benefits of circularity, and accelerate action on SDG12 across sectors (including digitalisation)
- Summarizing steps forward at intergovernmental processes
- Closing Remarks

**17:00-17:10 Closing Remarks Ms Rie Vejs-Kjeldgaard, Director of the Sustainable Enterprises, Productivity and Just transition Department, ILO, Member of PAGE Management Board**

**Group Photo and Networking Cocktail**

17:10 -18:30