

# SDG DIALOGUE

SHARING IDEAS & INSIGHTS FOR ACHIEVING THE GLOBAL GOALS



## Regional Institutions & the SDGs: Science, Policy & Capacity Building

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Among the key challenges for achieving the SDGs is translating the global goals into regional and national priorities. Coherent approaches are needed for specific local, national, and regional contexts, seeking integrated solutions to problems as diverse as poverty, climate change, and education. Researchers and policymakers are struggling to identify synergies and trade-offs related to SDGs and their targets. An effective science-policy interface, as well as sufficient capacity, are both prerequisites for integrated implementation.

This event will consider the role of regional organisations in achieving the SDGs, with a focus on building effective links between science and policy. Panellists and participants will exchange experiences and insights, addressing such questions as:

- What is the role of regional bodies such as UNESCAP in reconciling the global vision of the SDGs with regional and national priorities?
- How can such regional bodies coordinate the formulation of a science-policy interface to enhance the capacity of policymakers?
- How can a regional science-policy interface contribute to policymaking at the global level?

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**United Nations University**

5-53-70 Jingumae, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150-8925

Japanese-English simultaneous translation will be provided.  
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