Inga Rhonda King, President
New York, 10-21 December 2018

Participation in Official Events

On 12 December at the UN Headquarters in New York, the ECOSOC President Inga Rhonda King delivered an opening statement at an expert meeting, organized by the Friends of Governance for Sustainable Development on “Advancing the 2030 Agenda: Lessons learnt from the first cycle of the High-level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development – how far can we go?”

The ECOSOC President briefed Member States on the HLPF, to be convened twice in 2019 at the auspices of ECOSOC and the General Assembly. She underscored that the outcome of both the July and the September HLPFs needs to convey a strong political message that the international community is deeply committed to deliver on the 2030 Agenda. The ECOSOC President called on Member States to mobilize their capitals and engage their Governments in working towards a political declaration that is adopted by consensus.

Bilateral Meetings of the President of ECOSOC

On 18 December, ECOSOC President Ambassador Inga Rhonda King met with HRH Princess Dr. Nisreen El-Hashemite, Director of the Royal Academy of Science International Trust (RASIT) and Founder President of the Women in Science International League. They discussed the importance of women and girls in science and their roles in implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. They also spoke about the upcoming International Day of Women and Girls in Science Forum, to be held from 11 – 12 February 2019 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.
On 18 December, ECOSOC President Ambassador Inga Rhonda King met with H.E. Mr. Teodoro Locsin Jr, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Philippines. They discussed the important role of ECOSOC, and the need to strengthen multilateralism.

On 10 December, ECOSOC President Ambassador, Inga Rhonda King, met with H.E. Mr. Vittus Meqqusaaq, Minister of Finance and Nordic Cooperation of Greenland. They discussed the importance of the 2030 Agenda and the High-level Political Forum in 2019.