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Science, technology, and innovation  
for the Sustainable Development Goals:  
**Harnessing inclusive innovation  
to leave no one behind**

**SPEAKERS:**

**Mr. Ruijun Wang**, Director-General, National Center for Science and Technology Evaluation, Ministry of Science and Technology of China, and Chair of the twentieth session of the CSTD

**Ms. Shamika N. Sirimanne**, Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD and Head of the CSTD Secretariat

**Mr. Vaughn Turekian**, Senior Board Director at the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine and Co-Chair of the STI Forum

**Ms. Yokasta Guzmán Santos**, General Director, General Directorate of Public Procurement of the Dominican Republic

**Mr. Navi Radjou**, Innovation and leadership thinker/advisor (Silicon Valley), Fellow at Cambridge University's Judge Business School, co-author of *Frugal Innovation* (2015) and author of *Conscious Society* (2018)

**Mr. Paul Bunje**, Chief Scientist, XPRIZE

**Ms. Janet Klein**, Vice President, SAP

**MODERATOR:**

**Ms. Hessa Al Ateibi**, Head of Second Committee and ECOSOC at the UAE Mission to the UN

**Inclusive, frugal, and pro-poor innovation approaches, largely enabled by the rapid pace of development of information and communication technologies, can serve markets previously ignored by traditional innovation. They involve and support the poor in solving their own problems and leverage science and technology to support their development in key sectors.**

**This side event will discuss how inclusive innovation can support the achievement of the SDGs. Speakers will focus on policies, mechanisms, and processes that can support inclusive innovation in sustainable development, including well-functioning national ecosystem for innovation, international cooperation and diplomacy in science and technology, and public-private partnerships.**

