



PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

2 February 2022

Excellency,

Further to my letters dated 23 December 2021 and 13 January 2022 regarding General Assembly resolution 76/6 entitled “*Follow-up to the report of the Secretary-General entitled Our Common Agenda*”, I have the honour to enclose herewith the background note and tentative programme for the first thematic consultation to be held under the theme “*Accelerating and scaling up the Sustainable Development Goals, leaving no-one behind,*” on 10 and 11 February 2022 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The consultation will be held over two full days. The first day will consist of the plenary segment, which will also include an opening briefing by the Secretary-General on the cluster of proposals for this first thematic consultation and will take place at the General Assembly Hall.

The second day will feature two moderated panel discussions – one with senior officials from the United Nations system in the morning and the second with relevant partners, including the private sector, youth, academia and civil society representatives, in the afternoon. Both panel discussions will take place in a hybrid format in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Member States and observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers of the plenary segment should contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (email: galindo@un.org with copy to gaspeakerslist@un.org). While there will be no pre-established list of speakers for the two panel discussions on the second day of the consultation, Member States and observers of the General Assembly will be able to intervene in both panel discussions.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Abdulla Shahid', written over a horizontal line.

Abdulla SHAHID

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