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77th UN General Assembly High-level Week

With the recognition that the world is at a critical moment in the history of the United Nations due to complex and interconnected crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, humanitarian challenges of unprecedented nature, a tipping point in climate change as well as growing concerns about threats to the global economy, the 77th UN General Assembly will convene under the theme, 'A Watershed Moment: Transformative Solutions to Interlocking Challenges'.

The General Assembly's opening will underscore the need to find and focus on joint solutions to these crises and build a more sustainable and resilient world for all and for future generations.

In addition to the General Debate, this year's meeting will kick off the SDG Moment, convened by the UN Secretary-General, to mobilise the urgent actions and bold solutions needed to set the world on course towards achieving [the Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs), the best pathway for addressing the challenges of our time.

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WHY DOES IT MATTER?

- With the world facing interlocking challenges, the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and the war in Ukraine, the implementation of the SDGs is a roadmap out of the crises and a shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and planet.
- The world is off track in achieving the SDGs and time is running out. We are one year away from the half-way point of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The SDG Moment is a critical time to revitalise the action needed to set the Goals back on track.
- Held annually, the SDG Moment seeks to spotlight the progress made on the SDGs. This year, the SDG Moment is a reality check as well as an opportunity to highlight the urgent solutions, scale and solidarity needed to lift everyone, everywhere.
- The SDGs are the world's To-Do List and it is time for all to focus on keeping the promise of our commitments.

OBJECTIVES

The SDG Moment serves to place an annual spotlight on the Sustainable Development Goals. It takes place as the world faces unprecedented challenges that call for urgent and collective action by leadership to achieve the SDGs and set the world on the path to a more peaceful, inclusive and resilient future.

The SDG Moment will:

- Reinforce the continued relevance of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and build momentum in advance of major summits such as the Summit for the Future and the SDG Summit in 2023.

- Highlight urgent actions efforts are equitable, inclusive and accelerate the transition to sustainable development.
- Demonstrate that transformative change at scale is possible between now and 2030.

FORMAT AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- The SDG Moment will be held in-person during the High-Level Week. The meeting will also be streamed live on [UN Web TV](#) and accessible to all.
- The SDG Moment will be a 90-minute event in the UN General Assembly Hall.
- The event, to be opened by the Secretary-General, will be shaped by the narrative of the SDGs as our To-Do List for a better future for all on a safe and healthy planet. There will also be a number of high-profile special guests, as well as Heads of State and Government.
- This event will set the scene and lead into the [Transforming Education Summit](#).

MORE INFORMATION

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