



# JUST TRANSITIONS TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY: ACCELERATING PROGRESS TOWARDS THE SDGs THROUGH FOOD SYSTEM, ENERGY AND DIGITAL TRANSITIONS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Official side-event of the 2024 high-level political forum on sustainable development, organized jointly by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the United Nations Global Compact

**Date and time: Monday, 15 July 2024, 3.30–5 p.m. (EST)**

Venue: United Nations Global Compact Board Room, 685 3rd Ave, New York and online.

Halfway to the deadline set for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), only 22% of the targets have been or are on track to be implemented by 2030 in Latin American and Caribbean.

The remaining 78% of the targets are at risk of not being met unless transformative action is taken. The United Nations Sustainable Development Group issued a call in 2023 to accelerate six central transitions in the following areas: (i) food systems; (ii) energy; (iii) digitalization; (iv) education; (v) jobs and social protection; and (vi) climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution and get back on track towards 2030.

The side-event will focus on selected transitions from a Latin American and Caribbean perspective, with concrete examples from the areas of food systems, energy and digitalization and their multiplier effects on several SDGs. It will also highlight the linkages between the transitions and the United Nations Global Compact Forward Faster initiative, which challenges companies to raise their ambition by taking tangible, accountable actions regarding living wage, gender equality, climate, water and sustainable finance.

Business and industry leaders and investors from the private sector will gather with senior government authorities and policymakers to discuss the region's experiences in just transitions towards sustainability, with tangible solutions for accelerating progress towards the SDGs.

For further information, please visit: <https://www.cepal.org/en/events/hlpf-2024-high-level-side-event-just-transitions-towards-sustainability-trajectories>.

Registration for **in-person** participation is open until Thursday, 11 July 2024, at the following link: <https://eventos.cepal.org/event/155/>.

To participate via Zoom, please use the following link: [https://cepal-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_xs4VjgfdSeapLULag2ATXw](https://cepal-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xs4VjgfdSeapLULag2ATXw).

To follow the live stream, please visit <https://live.cepal.org>.

Interpretation will be available in Spanish and English via the Zoom link. In-person participants who require interpretation services are requested to connect via Zoom using their personal devices and headphones.



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