Summary of the 5th Regional Forum on Sustainable Development for the UNECE Region

Towards the 2021 High Level Political Forum - An infographic series

Hosted by the **UN Economic Commission for Europe**

Meeting dates: March 17-18, 2021

Hybrid format sessions (primarily virtual)

More than 1,400 participants

Main Theme: "Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and action and delivery on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the UNECE Region"

Official meeting preceded by **a week of debates**

Four round tables on People, Prosperity, Planet, and Cross-cutting Issues

Stakeholder pre-meetings facilitate siloed debates among Civil Society, Business, Youth, and parliamentarians

Pre-meetings on VNR and VLR Reports

22 thematic side-events

The report "Is the UNECE region on track for 2030?" was officially launched, providing a progress assessment on the Sustainable Development Goals in the region

Based on pre-pandemic data, this assessment indicates the UNECE region will achieve only 23 of 169 targets by 2030, while 57 target progress needs to be accelerated. For nine targets, current trends need to be reversed. Existing data is insufficient to assess the remaining 80 SDG targets

Main Outcome Document:

- Summary of the Chair

A detailed comparison of the 2021 Regional Forums on Sustainable Development will be available at www.cepei.org

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