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Africa SDG Index and Dashboards Report

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The Africa SDG Index and Dashboards are a tool for countries to track progress across all 17 SDGs, to help pinpoint key implementation progress and challenges and to assist in benchmarking their SDG performance against their African peers. The Africa report collects and synthesizes the most detailed and relevant available data on the SDGs from official and other verifiable sources to support national and regional discussions on where each country stands with regards to achieving the SDGs and on which metrics might be useful to track progress. Thanks to this African focus, the Africa SDG Index better allows each country to understand its situation and compare itself within the region and with peers at similar levels of overall social and economic development.

The event will present this report, including 1) an overview of the SDGs in the African context which integrates the African Union Agenda 2063, 2) a preliminary assessment of a selection of African countries' implementation efforts, 3) the results of the 2018 Index and Dashboards, with sub-regional analysis of status and trends, and 4) ways to improve the availability and quality of SDG data in African countries. This will also be an opportunity to share progress on the 2019 report and solicit feedback and comments.

Co-organizers:

The **SDG Center for Africa** provide technical support, neutral advice and expertise as input to national governments, private sector, civil society, and academic institutions to accelerate the implementation of the SDGs across Africa, including developing a new program to help governments build and strengthen capacity on data and statistical systems for reporting on the SDGs.

The UN **Sustainable Development Solutions Network** (SDSN) mobilizes global scientific and technological expertise to promote practical solutions for sustainable development, including the implementation of the SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement.

Speakers:

- **Eve de la Mothe Karoubi**, Senior Manager at the UN SDSN
- **Olive Dushime**, SDGs Advisor at the SDG Center for Africa
- **Abdeslam Nadah**, Director of Planning at the Morocco High Planning Commission (Haut Commissariat au Plan)
- Representative of the Government of Rwanda TBC
- Moderator: **Prof. Willem Fourie**, Coordinator of the South African SDG Hub, University of Pretoria