Session I: Effective, Accountable and Inclusive Institutions to Leave No One Behind

Lessons learned from the VNR process for Effectiveness: Success and Best Practices, Challenges and Lessons Learnt

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Talking Points *(Success/Best Practice)*

- Development of comprehensive SDG VNR Roadmap and Reporting Templates for all stakeholders: Central Government Agencies, Private Sector, Civil Society, Development Partners, Academic/Research Institutions

- Development of a Stakeholder Engagement Plan, National Institutional Arrangements (structure) and VNR Reporting Structure for effective stakeholder participations

- Present a comprehensive picture of the alignment and implementation of the localized SDGs in PNG's Medium Term Development Plan (MTDP) 3 2018-2022 as the first vehicle in implementing the SDGs

Talking Points *(Challenges)*

- Lack of reliable data/data gaps, high-turn over of focal points and lack of capacity and untimely Submissions of Reporting Templates

- Lack of funding to implement some tasks to meet VNR requirements and some workshops, especially at the sub-national did not happen due to COVID-19

- UN strict deadline amidst the COVID-19 lock down not allowing sufficient time for VNR presenting countries and technical issues for virtual within the country

Talking Points *(Lessons Learnt)*

- Financing for the SDGs and Strengthening Capacities of Organizations at all levels

- Strengthening Sub-National Government Capacity in SDGs, including CSOs, Youth and Private Sector

- Data Coordination and Analysis, Formulate a more user friendly Reporting Template targeting provinces, Develop Provincial and District Indicator Framework using the National 279 localized indicators to build PNG's SDG VNR database/mini-website