



**Committee:** United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  
**Topic A:** Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development.  
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### **Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development.**

According to the Sustainable Development Agenda, it has been defined as the development that meets the needs of the present without understanding the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It was first defined in 1987 at the World Environment Commission of the United Nations Organization (UN) and the environment was first emphasized. However, to date, sustainable development emphasizes other dimensions beyond the environment and has to do with social, economic, political, equitable distribution, participation, creativity, self-realization, cultural autonomy and even for some, with religious aspects. Sustainability is present in all areas of human activity and is on the way to becoming a philosophy of life.

Without peace, balance, human rights and effective governance based on the rule of law, it is not possible to achieve sustainable development. We live in an increasingly divided world. Some regions enjoy permanent levels of peace, security, and prosperity, while others fall into seemingly eternal cycles of conflict and violence. These are situations that can be avoided and must be addressed to achieve significant changes.

To achieve sustainable development is very important to unify three elements: economic

growth, social inclusion, and environmental protection. These elements are connected and they are crucial for the individual and society's well being.

The UN has created the “SDGs”, which are the Sustainable Development Goals. Those are the world’s best plan to build a better world for people and our planet by the year 2030. They are looking forward to reaching 17 main Sustainable Goals, which are an urgent call for action by all countries in a global partnership. Goal 16 of the Sustainable Development Goals is dedicated to the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provision of access to justice for all, and building efficient and liable institutions at all levels.

The SDGs have a global character and are universally applicable, taking into account the different realities, capacities, and levels of national development and respecting national policies and priorities. They are not independent of each other, and they need to be applied in an integrated manner. They constitute an unprecedented agreement around the priorities of sustainable development among the 193 Member States. They have received worldwide support from civil society, business sectors, and parliamentarians.

### **Viable Solutions:**

It is important that communities, societies, and governments work together to enforce lasting solutions to reduce violence, give justice, fight corruption and ensure inclusive participation at all times. Laws and policies must be applied without any form of discrimination. Disagreements need to be determined through political and justice systems. National and local institutions must be accountable and need to be in place to deliver basic services to families and communities equitably and without the need for bribes.

- Raise awareness in your community about the realities of violence and the importance of just and peaceful societies, and identify how you can implement the SDGs.
- Promote inclusion and respect towards people of different ethnic origins, backgrounds, religions, gender, sexual orientation or different opinions.
- Supporting employment creation, decent work, and programs to address poverty, exclusion, and inequality.
- Scaling up and mobilizing financing for enabling a transition to inclusive and sustainable growth.
- Provide access to justice for all, for instance, on fighting violence against women, human trafficking, and transversal strategies, notably in gender equality, children’s

rights, disability, etc.

- Fighting corruption.
- Cooperation against cybercrime. Cybercrime threatens the human development potential of information and the achievement of SDGs.

### **Tips:**

Delegates should focus on the actions that their country has already taken to solve this issue, taking into account the benefits and disadvantages that come with it, and the impact they would have.

Research questions:

- Has your country proposed solutions? Which ones? Have they worked?
- Is your delegation willing to take action about this issue?
- What is your delegation's position about this?
- How will be the laws of your delegation affected?
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### **Helpful sites:**

- [https://www.coe.int/en/web/un-agenda-2030/goal-16#portlet\\_56\\_INSTANCE\\_8fmTjkNTXz9N](https://www.coe.int/en/web/un-agenda-2030/goal-16#portlet_56_INSTANCE_8fmTjkNTXz9N)
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