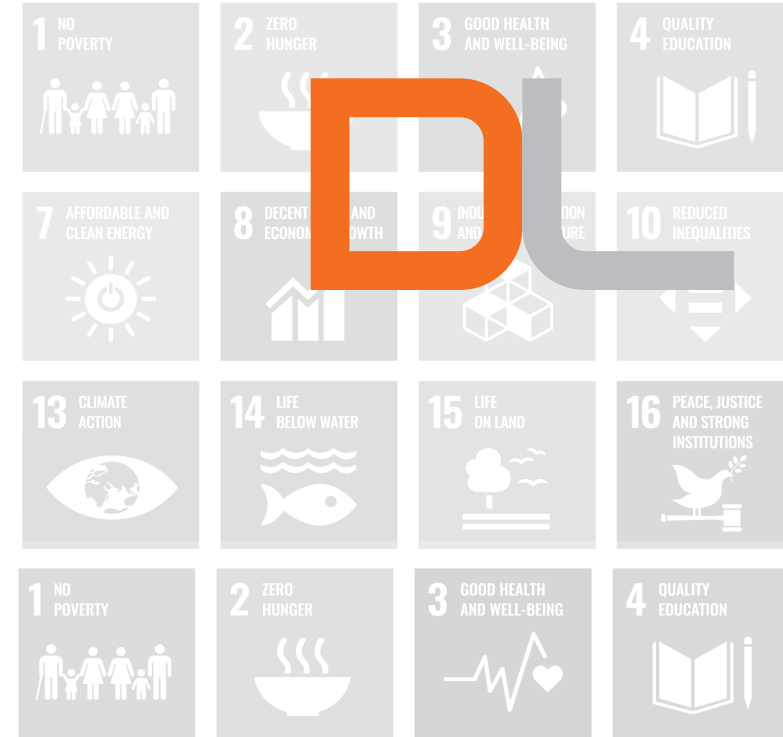


23 DEVELOPMENT LECTURE

When the global community adopted the 2030 Agenda in September 2015, they committed to “Transforming our World” for people, planet and prosperity. Despite impressive engagement around the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the world is far off track. Much more effort, investment and systemic change are required. The COVID-19 pandemic, rising conflicts and a global cost-of-living crisis have compounded the already relentless and inequitable effects of climate change, and undermined the pledge to leave no one behind. The 2023 UN Global Sustainable Development Report helps to shine new light on transformative processes and practices that can help move the world from commitment to action, and from declaration to delivery. In the public event the co-chair of the scientific panel writing the report, Professor Imme Scholz, will present its main findings and in conversation with a distinguished panel of experts and policy-makers outline opportunities for critical social science to help achieve the SDGs.

Organizers:



Times of Crisis, Times of Change: The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at half-time

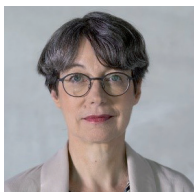
Presentation of the Global Sustainable Development Report 2023

23 January 2024, 6.00 – 8.00 pm

WU Wien, Festsaal 2 (LC.0.200), Library Center (Welthandelsplatz 2, 1020 Wien)



Speakers:



Imme Scholz is Co-President of the Heinrich Böll Foundation and former Deputy Director of the German Development Institute (DIE; now IDOS – German Institute of Development and Sustainability). She is also Honorary Professor of the Centre for Ethics and Responsibility at Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg. Dr Scholz holds a doctorate in sociology from the Freie Universität Berlin. At DIE, Dr Scholz was very active at the science-policy interface, within the T20, the European Think Tanks Group, in policy dialogues with China on sustainable development and in the sustainable development community. She was a member of the German Sustainability Council for nine years and of the German Committee Future Earth (DKN Future Earth). Currently, she is a member of the extended steering committee of SDSN Germany and of the Bioeconomy Council.



Sigrid Stagl is Professor of Environmental Economics & Policy at WU, the Vienna University of Economics and Business where she is the founder of the Institute for Ecological Economics. She is currently Head of the Institute for Ecological Economics and Director of the Competence Centre STaR, Sustainability Transformation and Responsibility. Her work addresses societal challenges such as the climate crisis, environmental problems and inequality. She holds a PhD in Ecological Economics from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Troy/New York). Dr Stagl has published extensively in academic journals, and also serves as an advisor and regular media commentator.



Gerd Müller is Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) as of 10 December 2021. He held various high-level public offices during his career. He was appointed Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection in 2005. In 2013, he was appointed Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development in the German Government. Gerd Müller has many years of experience in the fields of multilateral cooperation, sustainability, sustainable management and innovative agriculture. Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Paris Agreement on climate action, the Convention on Biological Diversity, and the Beijing Declaration on Gender Equality are key focus areas of his work

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18.00

Welcome Address

N.N., *Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien*

Simon Ilse, *Heinrich Böll Foundation, Vienna*

18.15

Keynote: Times of Crisis, Times of Change: Science for Accelerating Transformations to Sustainable Development. Lessons from the Global Sustainable Development Report 2023

Imme Scholz, *Co-President of the Heinrich Böll Stiftung (Berlin), and Co-Chair of the Independent Group of Scientists 2023, responsible for the Global Sustainable Development Report 2023*

19.00

Panel discussion: Political priorities for achieving the SDGs until 2030

Panelists:

- Imme Scholz, *Co-President of the Heinrich Böll Stiftung (Berlin) (confirmed)*
- Sigrid Stagl, *Professor and Head of the Institute for Ecological Economics, WU Wien (confirmed)*
- Gerd Müller, *Director-General, United Nations Industrial Development Organization (tbc)*

Moderation: *Werner Raza (ÖFSE)*

20.00

End of conference/wine reception