



### **Concept Note**

Member States are increasingly engaged in measuring peaceful, just and inclusive societies as part of SDG 16, but the data availability remains a challenge across all countries and regions, although there has been improvement, the goal remains one with the least amount of data available. The constraints facing countries in data collection are numerous. The multiple operations required to be able to produce regular and reliable data on SDG 16 remain hurdles in terms of both time and resources. To address these challenges and support countries in meeting their reporting obligations on SDG 16, OHCHR, UNDP and UNODC developed an integrated methodology to collect data on most SDG 16 survey-based indicators. Built on existing practices and international standards, the survey can be used as a standalone operation, or in a modular format integrated into ongoing household surveys. The SDG 16 Survey will be presented to the 53rd United Nations Statistical Commission.

The survey covers the dimensions **of access to justice, corruption, discrimination, governance, human trafficking and violence**. Showcasing the experiences of countries piloting the survey and sharing reflections on the process of development of the survey, this side event provides a space for participants to understand the opportunities presented by the new SDG 16 Survey to accelerate data availability on critical areas that are affecting countries' progress towards sustainable development. These issues are even more relevant as countries across the board are seeing reversals in development due to COVID-19. The SDG 16 Survey can help better understand and target policies to address some of the structural challenges facing countries, particularly for marginalized groups, in the wake of COVID-19 to build 'forward' better.

### **Interlinkages with**

Agenda item 3(j) - Report of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the National Institute of Statistics and Geography of Mexico (INEGI) on crime and criminal justice statistics

Agenda item 3(y) - Report of the Praia Group on Governance Statistics.

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### **Agenda**

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3. Lessons and next steps from piloting the SDG 16 Survey: National experiences
4. Reflections on addressing the data gap on SDG 16
5. Open Discussion
6. Closing remarks

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