



Open SDG Club Learning and Dialogue Series: Ensuring inclusive recovery and Leave No One behind (LNOB)

The South African Working Group (SAWG) on SDGs hosted a dialogue under the theme ensuring inclusive recovery guided by principle of “Leave No One Behind” to inform the recovery plan and implementation of SDGs and

According to a UNDP report (2018), People and communities get left behind when they lack the choices and opportunities to participate in and benefit from development progress. The webinar aimed at unpacking the disproportionate impact of the pandemic on the poor and marginalised communities in South Africa as well as the uneven progress on SDGs as noted by VNR 2019 and UNSG report.

This webinar also facilitated a conversation with various stakeholders on inclusive recovery that builds resilience of people’s lives and their livelihoods and accelerated delivery on SDGs for marginalised communities. This is with the aim of deepening a common understanding of the principle as well as practise of “Leave no one behind”.

The Panel will discuss and exchange views on the following critical issues and questions:

- Examining of who is being left behind in South Africa, why and where?
- How do we empower those who are being left behind?
- How can we address social and exclusion in South Africa?

Panellists:

- **Ms Kgomotso Tshaka** – Vice President Sustainability, AngloGold Ashanti
- **Mr David Francis**- Deputy Director, Southern Centre for Inequality Studies (WITS)
- **Ms Faranaaz Veriava**, Head of Education, Section 27 (TBC)
- **CSOs Representative**

Moderated by **Ms Namhla Mniki**, SDGs Thought Leader & Leadership Coach