Introduction

SWA invites you to a series of post-HLM webinars aimed at facilitating discussions on the planning, review and implementation of SDGs, and contributing to ongoing country processes.

Rationale and structure

The series of webinars starts in May 2017, and will transition into preparations for the next Sector Ministers’ Meeting. This series of webinars constitutes a key part of the continuum of the High-level Political Dialogue (HLPD) and contributes to sustained change and progress.

The webinars are not the only part of this inter-HLM continuum: resources will be developed and shared with countries, and more personalized technical assistance will be given to countries individually.

The webinars will allow countries to share their experiences and learn from others. Thus, each webinar is structured into two parts: it will start with a presentation on the specific topic of that webinar; the remaining time will be dedicated to sharing and discussing country/partner experiences.

Materials from the 2017 HLM will be posted on the SWA website: sanitationandwaterforall.org/priority-areas/political-prioritization/2017-high-level-meetings/
Webinar series calendar

**May 30-31**

HLM Outcomes and possible follow-up actions
- Starting with a summary of the HLMs, this webinar will touch upon the main outcomes of the meetings and, more importantly, the actions that countries, partners and the SWA could take to catalyze progress. This will help to sustain momentum on the identified priority actions. Governments and other partners will be encouraged to share their plans for follow-up.
- **Related resources:** A summary of the HLM will be shared before this webinar.

**July 18-19**

Country plans for achieving the SDGs
- As part of the preparatory process for the 2017 HLMs, many countries have shared their SDG vision and baselines and the state of their planning for their targets. These provide solid bases on which to build and further align national plans and policies to the SDGs. This webinar will identify and share experiences on how national or sector plans are being strengthened to ensure a coherent approach to the attainment of the SDGs.

**August 23-24**

Strengthening country monitoring and review systems for the SDGs
- As countries continue to align their national and sector plans to the SDGs, the time is ripe to build and/or strengthen systems for monitoring and reviewing progress towards the goals. This webinar will follow the release of the first progress report on the SDG water, sanitation and hygiene targets (6.1 and 6.2). The webinar will provide a platform for countries and partners to discuss their systems for assessing, monitoring and reviewing progress towards the SDGs.
- **Related resources:** JMP progress report on the SDGs would have been released and shared.

**Sept 25-26**

Sustainable financing for SDG strategies
- The preparations for the 2017 High-level Meetings underscored the importance of understanding the magnitude for the challenge to achieve the SDGs. Most countries have identified their investment needs and funding gap for the SDGs and many are planning to develop or strengthen strategies to close the funding gap and sustainably finance the sector. This webinar will elaborate the various options for financing the SDGs and showcase the strategies and efforts of governments and development partners working together to build sustainable financing strategies.
- **Related resources:** SWA paper on Sustainable Financing Strategies.

**Oct 24-25**

Sustainable financing for sanitation and hygiene
- This webinar will focus primarily on financing strategies for sanitation. Several countries have identified sanitation as the most ambitious and challenging of the WASH-related SDG target and this webinar will focus on building sustainable financing strategies to allow this goal to be met.

**Nov 28-29**

Building on country processes to achieve the SDGs / Launch of the preparatory process for 2018 SMM
- This final webinar in the post-HLM series will have a double focus. Firstly, it countries and partners will get insights from case studies being done by various partners on national processes aimed at strengthening the sector. Examples of processes and experiences, countries and partners have to systematically sustain stakeholder engagement and collaboration around government-led processes will be shared. Secondly, this webinar will mark the transition into the preparations for the 2018 Sector Ministers’ Meeting.
- **Related resources:** Insights from case studies carried out on country engagement.

How to join
To join any webinar, use the following link:
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