



## Faith-Based Partnerships: Vehicles for Achieving the SDGs

12 July, 2017 | 13:15am - 14:30am  
Conference Room 11, UN Headquarters

*Discussing how partnerships with faith-based and faith-inspired organisations support the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.*

### Overview:

Cross-sectoral and multi-stakeholder partnerships are playing a crucial role in achieving the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs. This event will highlight the positive impacts of partnerships with FBOs, and aims to enhance future partnerships in line with SDG 17.

In addition to SDG 17, this side event will focus on SDGs 1, 2, 3, 5 and 14, and outline actions being taken by faith-based organisations supporting the 2030 Agenda..

Through an interactive panel this event will ask:

- What milestones have FBOs achieved since the launch of the 2030 Agenda?
- How has the UN System developed partnerships with FBOs?
- What are the ongoing challenges for partnerships between FBOs and the UN around the SDGs?

This event will also provide concrete recommendations and commitments for enhanced engagement around the SDGs, looking forward to progress that can be reported in 2018.

### Convened by:

Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations and the UN Interagency Task Force on Religion and Development (Chaired by UNFPA) *in partnership* with the Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Development

### Co-Moderators:

HE Ambassador David Donoghue, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations, and Dr Azza Karam, UN Interagency Task Force on Religion and Development.

### Panelists:

- **Marielle Ali**, Director of Social and Humanitarian Affairs, UN Association
- **Jamil Ahmad**, Deputy Director, UNEP New York Office
- **Charles Badenoch**, Vice President, Global Advocacy and Justice for Children at World Vision International
- **Jean Duff**, Coordinator, Joint Learning Initiative on Faith & Local Communities
- **Anwar Khan**, Chief Executive Officer, Islamic Relief USA
- **Dr Isabel Phiri**, Associate General Secretary, World Council of Churches

