



**Africa's pathway to the 17 SDGs: an integrated approach**

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**Dear friends!**

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the II International Scientific Conference of Students and Young Scientists **"For the Sustainable Development of Civilization: Cooperation, Science, Education, Technology (Africa's pathway to the 17 SDGs: an integrated approach)"**. The conference is scheduled to be held from 21-24 November at the Peoples' Friendship University of Russia (RUDN University, Moscow).

The main theme of the conference is 17 Sustainable Development Goals for Africa until 2030. The conference aims to discuss the most pressing contemporary issues, problems, and challenges, as well as possible trends and prospects for Africa's development, and to raise awareness of the global Sustainable Development Goals for humanity.

*Conference objectives include the following:*

- to create a platform for experts, practitioners, young scientists, and students to discuss and exchange their experience.
- to organize interaction among educational and research organizations, as well as public authorities within the framework of youth scientific and technical events at regional and global levels.
- to outline a framework of SDGs implementation that allows young researchers and students to contribute to sustainable development based on the principles of cooperation and partnership.

*Format of participation* is onsite and virtually via video conferencing technology. We expect 1500+ partakers, and we welcome your participation.

*Core of the target audience* is science student council members of universities in Russia and Africa.

*Participants:* Russian, African and international leading scholars, young scientists, government representatives, business partners, experts in the field of sustainable development, environmental, social and corporate governance.

The programme encompasses:

- Conference opening. Plenary session: "Africa's path towards achieving sustainable development goals: an integrated approach"
- Student business game in project teams and popular science event *RUDN Science Talks* – to talk about sustainable development goals.
- **Track «Biosphere (3 sections):**

- a. Goal 15: Life On Land;
- b. Goal 14: Life Below Water;

- c. Goal 6: Clean Water and Sanitation;
- d. Goal 13: Climate Action.

- **Track «Society» (3 sections):**

- a. Goal 1: No Poverty;
- b. Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities;
- c. Goal 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions;
- d. Goal 7: Affordable and Clean Energy;

- e. Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being;
- f. Goal 4: Quality Education;
- g. Goal 5: Gender Equality;
- h. Goal 2: Zero Hunger.

- **Track «Economics, politics, law, partnerships» (3 sections):**

- a. Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth;
- b. Goal 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure;
- c. Goal 10: Reduced Inequality;

- d. Goal 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions;
- e. Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production;
- f. Goal 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal.

- Conference Closing Session: «*Using systems thinking to achieve the goals of sustainable development of mankind*». Conference Resolution.

RUDN University is hosting the Conference serving as a platform for experts, practitioners, young scientists, and students to exchange their experiences and knowledge in the field of sustainable development, environmental, social, and corporate governance. Specialists will share their knowledge and experience for the implementation of scientific, academic and socially significant projects to achieve the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals. The regional focus of the Conference in 2023 will be African countries.

**For further information about conference registration and report submission, please, contact the organizing committee.**

**Location:** 6 Miklukho-Maklaya St., Moscow, Peoples' Friendship University of Russia, Russian Federation.

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We look forward to you joining this exciting event.

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