

## 2024 ECOSOC COORDINATION SEGMENT

### Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: The effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions

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#### SLIDE 1

Let me begin by affirming the Commission's strong commitment to contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Development Agenda through balanced, integrated, comprehensive, multi-disciplinary and scientific evidence-based international drug control policies. **Efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and to effectively address the world drug problem, as emphasised in the 2019 Ministerial Declaration, are complementary and mutually reinforcing.**

#### SLIDE 2

The **four resolutions** adopted at the sixty-sixth session in 2023 covering a range of topics which you see on the screen are reflective of our resolve. The **resolution on alternative development**, with its call upon Member States to support the empowerment and participation of local communities, for example, **makes an important contribution to eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises.**

#### SLIDE 3

The Commission also adopted a resolution outlining the modalities for **the mid-term review** to be held during the 67th session of the CND in 2024, to review

progress made on addressing the drug-related challenges identified in the 2019 Ministerial Declaration. A **high-level segment** will be held on **14-15 March 2024**, in Vienna, and Member States aim to adopt a **concise, action-oriented document** that focuses on taking stock of the implementation of all international drug policy commitments and how to accelerate the implementation of all existing commitments between 2024 and 2029.

#### SLIDE 4

The informal consultations on the outcome document started in January 2024. I have also launched a “**Pledge4Action**” **initiative** to mobilize Member States' **commitment toward concrete, impactful actions** along the challenges outlined in the 2019 Ministerial Declaration.

In conclusion, the Commission endeavours to actively participate and make meaningful contributions to the preparations for the 2024 High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) and the forthcoming Summit of the Future.

#### SLIDE 5

Thank you for your attention.