The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) partnered with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade (Jamaica), the Planning Institute of Jamaica and the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute for Social and Economic Studies (SALISES) to host a regional conference under the theme “Caribbean Development – The 2030 Agenda in Perspective” on June 28-30, 2017. Over a three day period, several participants including Ministers of Government, high level technical experts, academia, private sector, civil society and youths from the region came together in a bid to advance and accelerate regional action on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The conference enabled participants to define the common ground among countries with regard to priority issues, creating knowledge synergies, fostering partnerships for solutions and targeting financial resources and support for scaling-up results, acknowledging the working agreement reached between Caribbean governments and UN partners on the UN Multi-Country Sustainable Development Framework (MSDF).

One of the main recommendations Framework from the Caribbean Action 2030 Conference presented in the Partnership Framework for regional implementation of the SDGs was the development of an online platform. This online platform is a long-term commitment to regional partnerships and efforts that will enable the academic community, civil society and policy makers to engage in on-going dialogue on the basis of evidence-based research, open data and exchange of good policy practice. It designed to support implementation efforts on the SDGs and the UNMSDF in the region. It will provide opportunities for synergies in the areas of engagement, policy action, solutions and strategies.
Main features of the platform include:

**Government**

- Presentation of general information on the SDGs
- Present an update on progress on the SDGs by Caribbean countries
- Government officials from the Caribbean region that are signatories of the United Nations Multi-country Sustainable Development Framework (UN MSDF) have access to a **private area** of the platform
  - Requires authentication
  - Private area facilitates a chat room for group or individual interaction, convenient for online meetings
  - A repository to share documents

**Academia / Public**

- Access the platform for reliable information on SDG
- Must register to site to make postings
  - Comment and pose questions
  - Comment on someone’s comment

All postings by the public will be vetted by an Administrator before going live on the site.

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