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High-Level Political Forum side-event:*

## **How can national-level strategic planning ensure that no-one is left behind?**

**Friday 15 July, 6.15pm – 7.30pm,  
Conference Room 10, UN Conference Building**

The 2030 Agenda's call to "leave no-one behind" sets a global challenge to governments to ensure inclusion, equity and sustainability across all areas of policy and planning. What does this mean for policy-makers and planners at the national level? How will action be organized, progress be evaluated? And who will hold governments to account?

**Confirmed speakers:**

- Oskar Thorslund, Office of the Prime Minister, Sweden**
- George Varughese, President, Development Alternatives, India**
- Masego Madzwamuse, Open Society Initiative of Southern Africa**
- Representatives of the Municipality of Gothenburg**



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