

MGOS RESPONSE AND QUESTIONS FROM THE CSOs IN THE SEYCHELLES TO THE VNR OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SEYCHELLES

On behalf of the MGoS we welcome the Seychelle's commitment to Agenda 2030.

In your VNR you refer to the high education and health standards and a people centered development model.

- What are the specific actions you are undertaking to reduce inequality gaps in these areas?
- What are the initiatives taken to focus on the social groups that are often discriminated?
- What accountability mechanisms have you put in place to progressively guarantee, respect, protect and fulfil all human rights for all persons.

You also mention a lack of awareness on SDG's in the Seychelles:

- Thus we are wondering what strategies do you have in your country to promote awareness, education and opportunities to contribute to and about the SDGs?

Further, in your VNR you underline the importance of partnership when achieving the SDGs.

- How has your government worked to promote a collaborative approach across all ministries, agencies, sectors and country border in order to break down silos in implementing the SDGs.
- What modalities did your government adopt to ensure meaningful participation of rightsholder groups, particularly those most affected by development challenges, when implementing the SDGS?
- Which mechanisms are you putting in place for monitoring progress in SDG implementation and how is civil society represented in this process?

Your National Development Strategy 2019 – 2023 was developed by means of broad public consultations

- What citizen-led engagement strategies have occurred to contribute to this process?
- What plans does your government have to follow-up the presentation of the VNR at national and subnational levels after the HLPF?