

**First informal substantive consultation meeting under the auspices of the CPR on
UNGA Resolution 73/333 - 21-23 July 2020
Statement by Costa Rica on Means of Implementation**

Madam Co-Facilitator / Mr. Co-Facilitator,

Costa Rica appreciates the efforts made by the co-facilitators, the secretariat and the positive discussions held since yesterday.

The SDGs specify the partnerships necessary for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. They represent a strong and live Global Partnership for Sustainable Development, which facilitates substantive participation by governments, the private sector, civil society, the United Nations System, and the mobilization of all possible available resources.

Public financing, both national and international, are essential to provide basic services and public goods and catalyze other sources of financing. Governments are primarily responsible for monitoring and reviewing progress in meeting the SDGs and their targets. Accountability to citizens is essential to the process, and therefore a systematic follow-up and review should be carried out, in accordance with the provisions of the 2030 Agenda and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda.

The high-level political forum will play a central role in overseeing that global monitoring and review process. To contribute to this workforce, a series of indicators must continue to be developed. Quality, accessible, timely and reliable disaggregated data will be needed to help measure progress; These data are essential for making decisions. In this regard, developing countries that have committed to the SDGs have also agreed to make efforts to improve their statistical capacity.

In this regard, it took Costa Rica less than a year to reach a national agreement of all its sectors, where each of them has assumed commitments and responsibilities to ensure that the human, economic and social rights of women, men, Girls and boys, adolescents and young people are a priority. Costa Rica has assured its commitment with the great challenge of assuming leadership with a long-term vision, promoting and including the SDGs in national planning.

The implementation must also open spaces for all sectors of society to join and reach agreements for that compliance. The private sector has a great opportunity to increase its participation in the planning process for the achievement of the SDGs, become increasingly interested in the development of the country, in the situation of excluded populations and continue expanding its vision beyond its clients. and potential users.

From this process, Costa Rica is deepening its social responsibility policies to transform them into true instruments for development for people, not only as a matter of philanthropy.

Society and civil society organizations have a voice and a great capacity to propose solutions to development and environmental issues. This has been demonstrated in their planning process by the SDGs. They are also an integral part of the solutions and their implementation. Certainly, there are discrepancies and different interests on issues on human rights, environmental

protection and others, but Costa Rica considers States must overcome these differences and put all sectors in agreement to execute the 2030 Agenda.

Costa Rica kindly suggests member states show strong initiatives for the achievement of the SDGs beyond the financial challenges it represents by maximizing the compliance of the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities through the synchronized synergy among national institutions, society and the private sector.

Thank you very much Madam Co-Facilitator and Mr. Co-Facilitator.