A NEW WAY OF WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE 2030 AGENDA
United Nations Member States decided to fundamentally transform the development coordination system to better enable the UN teams to support countries to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. With a reinvigorated, empowered and independent resident coordinator (RC) system at its helm, the function is fully dedicated to coordinating the development activities of UN entities as of 1 January 2019, helping to ensure sustained social, economic and environmental gains at the national and local levels, while leaving no one behind.

1. A NEW GENERATION OF UN COUNTRY TEAMS

At the heart of this transformation of the United Nations development coordination function are resident coordinators, who are the designated representatives of the Secretary-General for development at the country level.

The 129 resident coordinators are the cornerstone of a coherent and well-coordinated United Nations development system capable of delivering integrated support across the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), a holistic agenda which calls for joint collaboration between agencies, funds and programmes for the achievement of national development priorities.

WE WORK WITH GOVERNMENTS AND PARTNERS IN

162 COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES FOR THE 2030 AGENDA

WE PROMOTE

INNOVATION TO STRENGTHEN COORDINATION OF UN DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS

WE REPRESENT

40 UN AGENCIES DELIVERING TOGETHER FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
2. REGIONAL PRESENCE

The UN Development Coordination Office (DCO) serves as the secretariat for the UN Sustainable Development Group (UNSDG) – 40 agencies, funds and programmes working on development – at the regional and global levels.

At the regional level, five UN Development Coordination Office Regional Directors and their teams in Panama, Addis Ababa, Amman, Istanbul and Bangkok will be providing RCs with regional-specific support, with a secretariat role for the UN Sustainable Development Group.

3. GLOBAL COORDINATION

At the global level the UN SDG is chaired by the Deputy Secretary-General. The Vice-Chair is the UN Development Programme (UNDP) Administrator.

- The RC system: coordinated and managed by the Development Coordination Office, a UN Secretariat entity as of 1 January 2019.
  - DCO provides substantive guidance and support to resident coordinators and United Nations country teams, in addition to daily backstopping to resident coordinator offices on the ground.
  - DCO also provides troubleshooting, quality assurance and dispute resolution services in close cooperation with the relevant regional teams of the UN Sustainable Development Group.
- DCO and the UNSDG - DCO provides manageral and oversight functions for resident coordinators. Its activities are advanced through collective ownership by the UNSDG. The Office acts as a key conduit for supporting the UN's activities for sustainable development, which inform policy, programme and operations on the ground.