

## Emotions – A missing link towards delivering the SDGs and long-term sustainability?

29 November, 16:00 – 17:30

Palais des Nations, Building H, Geneva

We are at the midpoint to 2030 and progress on the SDGs is far from where it should be. There are valid questions to be asked as to why the international community is not delivering on the promise of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement. Arguably, this lack of progress has led to frustration, anger, complacency and ultimately a sense of hopelessness.

So, what's the missing link? Why aren't we seeing more action? Do people **feel empowered** to act? And what is the **role of emotions in motivating people** to drive change? Shedding light on these and other aspects will be experts and practitioners who will share insights on how **tapping into emotions could deliver transformational change**.

### PROGRAMME

#### 16:00 - 16:10 | Opening and setting the stage

- **Edward Mishaud**, Moderator & SDG Lab Senior Adviser

#### 16:10 - 16:20 | Keynote

##### What are emotions and affective sciences—and what is the link to sustainability?

- **Prof. Tobias Brosch**, Chair for Psychology of Sustainable Development, University of Geneva

#### 16:20 - 16:55 | Panel discussion: Emotions – A missing link towards delivering the SDGs and long-term sustainability

- **Dr. Branka Zei Pollermann**, Vox Institute, Independent Researcher
- **Prof. Disa Sauter**, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Amsterdam
- **Garrette Clark**, Sustainable Lifestyles Programme Officer, UN Environment (UNEP)

#### 16:55 - 17:20 | Moderated Q&A

#### 17:20 - 17:30 | Closing Reflections

- **Özge Aydoğan**, SDG Lab Director
- **Prof. Dr. Christoph Steinebach**, President, European Federation of Psychologists' Associations, Member, UN Geneva Steering Group, EFPA, FSP, APA

#### 17:30 - 18:45 | Apéro

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