



Thursday, 23 November 2017 - Stakeholders from all levels of society took part in a one-day inter-ministerial conference on Belgium's current implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (22 November 2017) in Brussels. High-level speakers such as Ms. Barbara Pesce-Monteiro, the United Nations Representative in Belgium and former UN Special Rapporteur on the right to food, Professor Olivier De Schutter, set the tone for the event by revealing the enormous challenges and consequences that remain under the current engagement levels.

Olivier De Schutter highlighted that we must all start changing the way we live. "Combating inequality matters and our lifestyles matter to meeting the sustainable development goals. We need a whole of society approach and the center of gravity for political innovation lies within cities and people. We have an impressive set of initiatives run by associations in Belgium that provide civic platforms between people and the government."



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