

APSWDP VIRTUAL DIALOGUE UN75 2020 AND BEYOND SHAPING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

19th September 2020 | 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm (IST)

Platform:



Join the
Conversation:
UN 75 and Beyond

Who can attend ?

Social Work Students,
Researchers, Corporates, Civil Society
Members, Youth, Change Makers,
Development Experts, Academia

Make Your Voice
Heard



Series IV

IMPACT OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

under the ambit of SDG's



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Chief Guest

Technical Director
Department of Local Government, Punjab

#Partnership #SustainableFuture #UN75 #DigitalDivide

Panelists



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BACKGROUND

In pursuit of celebrating the **75th Anniversary by igniting people's debate: UN75**, the Secretary General Antonio Guterres has launched a global dialogue, which is perhaps the largest and furthest reaching global conversation ever on building the future we want.

Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is a professional association which has been conferred **Special Consultative Status** under the **United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)** and has also been affiliated with the **United Nations Department of Global Communications (DGC)**. On this occasion, APSWDP has conceived a dialogue in support of UN75 2020 AND Beyond, Shaping Our Future Together by organizing a Virtual Dialogue Series - IV What Future We Want on the **theme "Impact of Digital Technologies (under the ambit of SDG's)"** on **19th September 2020** (Saturday).

In a world of Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity and Ambiguity (VUCA), we are passing through several human crisis ranging from climate crisis, health issues, digital divide, gender inequality, population burst, rising conflicts and violence, etc.; APSWDP has come forward to corroborate with the United Nation's global initiative of encouraging people, especially youth and marginalised to put their heads together to define how enhanced international cooperation can help realize a better world by 2045, the UN's 100th birthday.

The aim of this virtual dialogue is to inspire the communities on **harnessing digital technologies for a better future**, as digital advances can **support and accelerate achievement of each of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's)** – from ending extreme poverty to reducing maternal and infant mortality, promoting sustainable farming and decent work, and achieving universal literacy. The view and ideas presented in this virtual dialogue will be submitted to the offices of the United Nations Economic and Social Council as well as to United Nations Department of Global Communications for incorporating the ideas discussed into their next agenda.

KEY OBJECTIVES

The key objectives of the UN75 Virtual Dialogue is to develop a continuous support for leading a discussion, identifying alternatives and implementing the solutions by involving unheard voices of youth and communities in fostering creativity, innovation and building a sustainable, inclusive and peaceful world.

With this dialogue, APSWDP aims to ignite vibrancy in thoughts and creating synergy among youth across tough geographical remote locations, languages, ethnicity, culture, economic background, etc.

APSWDP UN75 DIALOGUE

APSWDP in support of the UN75 objectives and Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) has identified a wide range of Development Practitioners as Key Panelists from Government, Corporate and Social Work Sector to initiate discussions, gather diverse perspectives and creative ideas on harnessing digital technologies.

Aligned to the goals of APSWDP UN75 Series programs, APSWDP is commemorating a Virtual Dialogue, Series IV on Impact of Digital Technologies (under the ambit of SDG's). Technologies can help make our world fairer and more peaceful. The sole objective is to harness digital advances in supporting and accelerating achievement of each of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals – from ending extreme poverty to reducing maternal and infant mortality, promoting sustainable farming and decent work, and achieving universal literacy.

The **UN75 Dialogue, Series IV** will be **inaugurated and chaired** by **Mr. Baldeep Singh, Technical Director, Department of Local Government, Punjab**. We feel privileged to witness deliberations from our **Chief Guest** and **Eminent Panelists** on the following topics:

- Impact of Digital Technologies in Breaking Barriers in Education, Growth, and Well-Being
– **Mr. Joseph Jude**, Chief Technology Officer (CTO), Net Solutions
- Digital Technologies for Advancements in Industry Innovation and Sustainability
– **Mr. Harit Mohan**, Founder & CEO, Signicent LLP
- Harnessing Potential of Digital Technology in Social Welfare Administration
– **Mr. Vivek Trivedi**, Research Fellow, Center for Social Work, Panjab University, Chandigarh -cum- Development Expert

MODE OF COMMUNICATION

The mode of communication for UN75 Dialogue is English. However, the participants from regional background are also encouraged to join the conversation in their respective vernacular. APSWDP does not discriminate on the grounds of language. We believe in participation from across the lines. Our volunteers will felicitate the participants in case if they are not comfortable with the language.

TARGET AUDIENCE

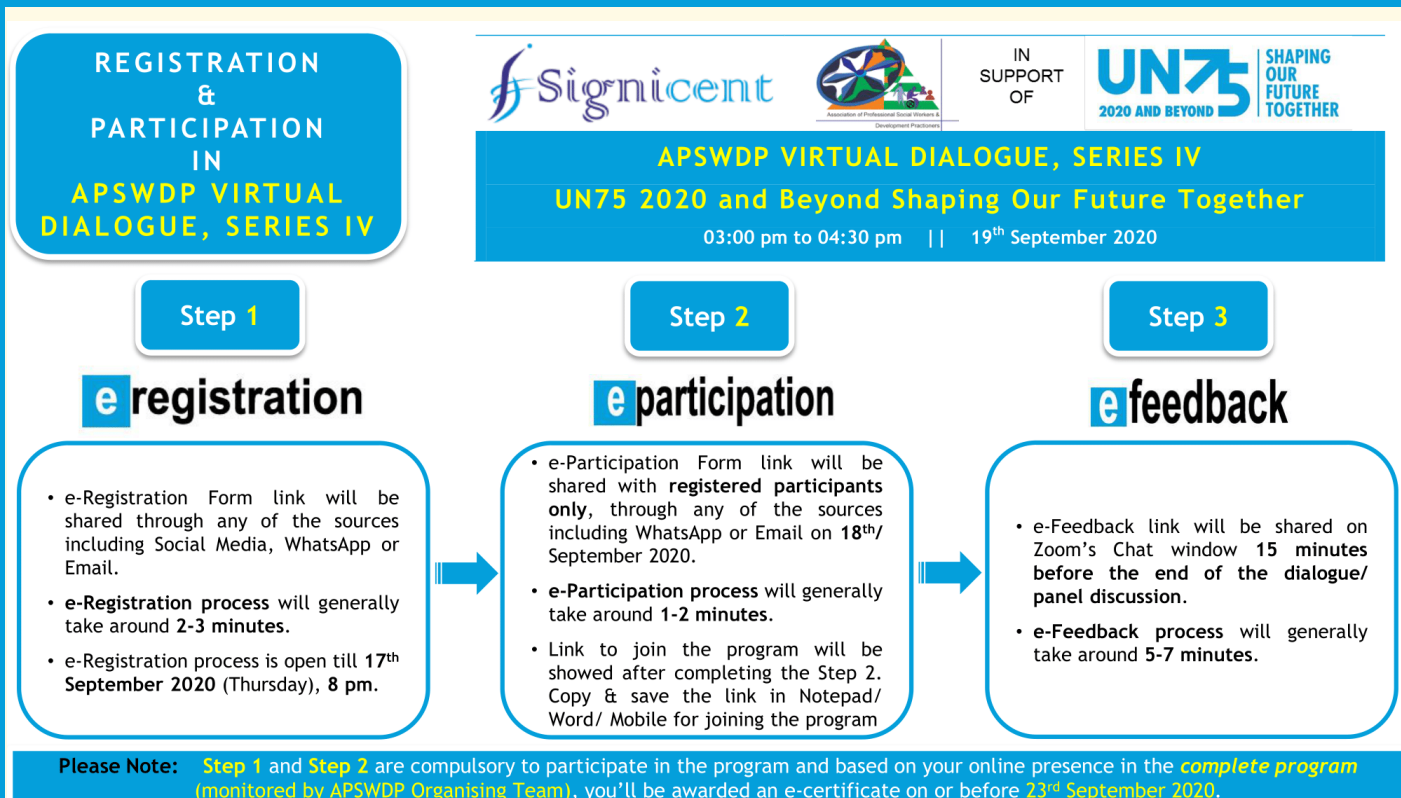
- Social Worker
- Social Activist
- Development Practitioner
- Business Consultant
- Legal Practitioner
- Researcher
- Academician
- Corporate Sector Professional
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Self Employed
- Government
- Student
- Others

OUTCOMES

The **outcomes** of the **UN75 Dialogue, Series IV** will enable all the participants and panelists to document their ideas, solutions for designing a digitally sound sustainable future and it will be further shared with the United Nations for framing a comprehensive global plan of the future we want. In addition, the following outcomes are expected from the UN75 Dialogue:

1. Develop understanding of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with special focus on harnessing Digital Technologies.
2. Confidence building and sensitizing youth, professionals, social workers, community about ICT's and digital innovations as the need of the hour. Taking them forward for getting their voices heard.
3. Exposure to understand various issues and solutions for building a digitally advanced sustainable future together.
4. Sensitization and adopting the practice of "Think Global and Act Local" in bridging the Digital Divide.
5. Create awareness and build leadership in community through the workshops and sharing of success stories.

STANDARD PROCESS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DIALOGUE



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