



UPCOMING EVENT

ACHIEVING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND ENDING CHILD POVERTY: EXPLORING INNOVATIVE NATIONAL SOLUTIONS

30 SEPTEMBER 2021

7:30 - 9:00 AM EDT

The Government of Lao PDR and UNICEF invite you to the "Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Ending Child Poverty: Exploring Innovative National Solutions" webinar. The focus of the event is to highlight the unprecedented increase in child poverty and inequality in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis, and outline the critical need to accelerate and reinforce global and national commitments for achieving the SDGs of ending extreme poverty and halving multidimensional child poverty. The event will showcase lessons learnt and innovative solutions that countries have adopted to measuring and addressing child poverty, including strengthening national and subnational capacities for planning and budgeting, data to influence plans and policies and ensuring high-level political commitment.

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