# LEVERAGING BIG DATA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT





**Professional Training Workshop** 

June 27 - 29, 2017 - United Nations Office in Nairobi (UNON), Kenya

## **AGENDA**

## DAY 1 | **June 27**



Contexts & Concepts: Understanding the foundations of the Big Data for development ecosystem

8:30	Registration	
9:00	Welcome	Opening remarks
		Madame Sahle-Work Zewde, UNON Director General
9:15	Kickoff - What to expect and your questions on	Dr. Ugo Caruso, UNSSC Knowledge Centre for Sustainable
	the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development	Development
9:45	Interactive Lecture - Monitoring and promoting	Dr. Emmanuel Letouzé, Data-Pop Alliance   MIT Media Lab
	the SDGs in the age of Big Data	
11:00	Security Brief	United Nations Office at Nairobi - UNON
11:30	Coffee break	
11:45	Panel Discussion - Case studies on Big Data and	Mobile data and social good in Kenya
	the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development	Sanda Ojiambo, Corporate Responsibility, Safaricom
		Citizen-generated data: DataShift initiative
		Davis Adieno, Civicus
		Open data and development assistance
		Dr. Thomas Roca, Agence Française de Développement
13:00	Lunch	
14:00	Designing Big Data Projects - Mapping Big Data	Natalie Shoup and Julie Ricard, Data-Pop Alliance
	and development ecosystems	Bill Anderson, Development Initiatives
		Silas Macharia, IBM Kenya
15:30	<b>Big Picture</b> - Social Physics: How social networks	Prof. Alex 'Sandy' Pentland, MIT [Media Lab   Sloan Business
	can make us smarter (via video)	School   Institute for Data, Systems and Society] and Data-Pop Alliance
16:00	Coffee break	
16:15	Designing Big Data Projects - Breaking big	Facilitated by Data-Pop Alliance and UNSSC
	development problems into data questions	
17:15	Reflection	
17:30	End of day 1	

#### DAY 2 | **June 28**



**Methods & Tools:** Identifying Big Data methods and tools to translate sustainable development challenges to specific data questions

9:00	Refresher & Overview	
9:15	Warm Up - Programming icebreaker	Natalie Shoup and Julie Ricard, Data-Pop Alliance
9:45	Panel Discussion - Data to action: movements	Open data and HDX
	and tools	Joseph Marindi, Humanitarian Data Exchange (HDX)   UN Offic for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
		Mobile Phone-based Credit Scoring
		Skyler Speakman, IBM Research - Africa
		Earth observation data for monitoring SDGs
		Brennan Vandyke & Jillian Campbell, UN Environment (UNEP)
11:15	Coffee Break	
11:30	Technical Session - Part I. Data visualization:	Dr. Thomas Roca, Agence Française de Développement
	when statistics meets web & data science	
13:00	Lunch	
14:00	Technical Session - Part II. Data visualization:	Dr. Thomas Roca, Agence Française de Développement
	when statistics meets web & data science	
15:15	Coffee break	
15:30	Interactive Lecture - Citizen generated data with	Joshua Owino and Zacharia Muindi, Map Kibera
	community journalism	
16:30	Designing Big Data Projects - Mapping Big Data	Facilitated by Data-Pop Alliance and UNSSC
	methods and tools	
17:30	Reflection	
17:45	Happy Hour at the River Café	

### DAY 3 | **June 29**



**Design & Strategy:** Operationalizing Big Data projects, partnerships and policies by engaging stakeholders and communities through ethical practices and effective story-telling

9:00	Refresher & Overview	
9:15	<b>Technical Session</b> - Data storytelling: telling the story you want to tell with data	Natalie Shoup and Julie Ricard, Data-Pop Alliance
10:15	Interactive Lecture - Inclusion, engagement and collaboration in data and development initiatives	Al Kags, Open Institute
11:00	Coffee break	
11:15	<b>Designing Big Data Projects</b> - Project archetypes and lessons learned	Facilitated by Data-Pop Alliance and UNSSC
12:15	Interactive Lecture - Legal and regulatory data frameworks in Kenya	Nixon Mageka Gecheo, Communications Authority of Kenya
13:00	Lunch	
14:00	<b>Designing Big Data Projects</b> - Data ethics lab	A critical data examination  Prof. Patrick Vinck, Harvard Humanitarian Initiative   Harvard University   Data-Pop Alliance  Facilitated by Data-Pop Alliance and UNSSC
16:30	Coffee break	
16:45	Designing Big Data Projects - Presentations	Facilitated by Data-Pop Alliance and UNSSC
17:45	<b>Building a Community of Practice</b> - Reflections, feedback and next steps	
18:15	Closing	