OPGA 78 TRANSITION WORKSHOP

Environmental, Development and Economic Issues
LESSONS FROM PREVIOUS SESSIONS

- **Strategy Document**
  (strategic direction to teams, OPGA, and partners)

- **Division of Labour**
  (focal points and substitutes)

- **Functioning and working methods**
  - Flow of information
  - Clearance process
    (statements, briefs, talking points)

- **Innovation to advance the agenda**
  (e.g. Multistakeholder Spotlights and new engagement modalities)

- **Relationships with MS at PR and delegate level**
  (consensus and participation in events)

- **Utilize PGA travel** for advocacy and link to strategic priorities
UNDERSTANDING THE WORK OF OPGA

- Event management
- Political and Logistical
- Sound intergovernmental background
- Understanding the audience of the PGA
  - Membership
  - Public
  - Interest groups
- Pace of work
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE 78TH SESSION OF THE GA

• Priority issues
• Build momentum on key issues from the SDG Summit
• Overarching focus on building resilience
• Summit of the Future and Pact for the Future
• Global Stocktake and COP28
• 3rd Conference on LLDCs
• 4th International Conference for SIDS
• Financing for Development
  – Debt Reform
  - Accelerating financing for risk prevention and de-risking investment (application of a thinking resilience approach to the financial sector)
• Multidimensional Vulnerability Index
• Infrastructure Connectivity (A/RES/77/282)
• Review of the HLPF and ECOSOC
• Our Common Agenda
• Morning Dialogues
TOWARDS UNGA79 HIGH-LEVEL WEEK

• Summit of the Future
• Shape the relationship between the SDG Summit and the Summit of the Future
• Coherent, inspirational and action-oriented narrative
KEY RELATIONSHIPS

- EOSG – Sustainable Development and OCA Teams
- GA/ECOSOC relationship
  - Monthly Coordination Meetings
  - Joint Briefing of the Presidents (early January)
- Second Committee Bureau
- Regional Groups and negotiating blocks
- Engagement with Secretariat, UN agencies, funds and programmes for technical support
  - DESA – Intergovernmental Support and Coordination for Sustainable Development
  - DGACM
- Engagement with wide cross-section of stakeholders
CORE SKILLS AND QUALITIES FOR OPGA STAFF

- Cope well with stress
- Ability to see big picture and long-term impact
- Build and maintain effective relationships, form strategic partnerships
- Relate and communicate with a wide range of people
- Problem solving in a challenging environment and operate effectively under pressure
- Manage workload, prioritize tasks
- Operational decision-making skills