

27 June 2024, 10:00 -12:00 (New York), UNHQ, Conference Room 5

In its resolution A/RES/71/279, the United Nations General Assembly designated 27 June as "Micro-, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises Day" torofit organizations.

As we commemorate the 2024 International MSME Day, we are just six years away from the 2030 deadline to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and progress is lagging. Many countries continue to face a range of unique and interconnected development challenges that include a cost-of-living crisis, constrained fiscal space, obstacles to accessing new sources of development and climate financing, and conflicts. Economic, social and environmental challenges are compounding mounting poverty and hunger, while rising inequalities continue to threaten the lives and livelihoods of people in vulnerable situations in developing countries.

The 2024 MSME Day offers an opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas on how Key stakeholders, including policy makers, large companies, financial institutions, and the international community can support micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises to advance and contribute to achieving sustainable development, including poverty eradication and decent work for all.