

the functioning of justice systems, and public financial management. Enhanced coordination and collaboration across government entities will also be needed. More broadly, adopting whole-of-society approaches and empowering non-government actors can help restore the links of trust between people and public institutions.

Perhaps more than anything else, progress will require political will, and in many areas, will require collaboration and cooperation across jurisdictions.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Today's conversation does not end here. I expect this dialogue to continue and bear fruit later this year, including at the High-level Political Forum and the Summit of the Future.

Progressing on SDG 16 is a necessary condition for achieving the 2030 Agenda.

Thank you very much.
