## **Promoting Mountain Targets During UN Day at UVU**

On October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 students from Utah International Mountain Forum (UIMF), a coalition of student clubs at Utah Valley University (UVU) and its member clubs will attend United Nations (UN) Day celebration at UVU. The event will be hosted by the UVU Office of Global Engagement in order to advocate for the UN 17 sustainable development goals (SDGs) and 162 targets as a "roadmap" to advance human progress by UN members during next 15 years. The event will be held in the Hall of Flags near the Woodbury Business School building and Pope Science Building inside campus. Information will be shared from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and students and faculty are encouraged to engage with the different clubs and organizations on campus.



This event will afford the opportunity to extend the UN's goals to students and faculty alike, and allow the multiple organizations at UVU to teach them about the ways in which they can also participate in the 17 goals. UIMF members will share their experiences in advancing the needs of Utah's mountainous communities, and mountainous communities around the world by advocating the UN sustainable mountain development (SMD) agenda in the State of Utah, North America and globally since 2006. While there is no SDG focusing specifically on the mountain agenda, the SMD cause is included in the mountain target. Students will share experiences of their advocacy for the adoption of the mountain targets among SDGs during 2013-2015. One of the important priorities for UIMF members is their continuing contribution to the implementation of the adopted mountain targets on local, regional and global levels until 2030.

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