



67th UN DPI/NGO CONFERENCE

NGO WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, 22 AUGUST

THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO AND THE SDGS – SHARED PLANET, SHARED PROSPERITY

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: Institute for Multicultural Communications, Cooperation and Development Inc. **Co-Sponsors:** The Institute of Multicultural Communications, Cooperation and Development Inc.; i4SD, Infrastructure for Sustainable Development; John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Under the Shared Planet, Shared Prosperity theme of the Conference we will demonstrate how our organization in partnership with other entities and the local community in Puerto Rico can put together a plan that will help the island's reconstruction. Visiting several cities there after Hurricane Maria, we concluded that losing electricity was the most devastating thing for the people of the island. We propose to construct a solar-powered community center in Yabucoa, and conduct a sustainability and resilience assessment to replace diesel and complement unreliable grid connection with Solar Mini-grids at the municipal level. We plan to expand these initiatives to other municipalities like San Lorenzo where our Puerto Rican Transformation Project operations will be headquartered. While measuring our accomplishments as consistent with the SDGS, we intend to demonstrate and share through social media how the use of new technology and materials can help improve life after a catastrophe.

EDUCATION AND DEMOCRACY

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room 11, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 131)

Sponsor: Fundación Cultural Baur **Co-Sponsors:** Colegio Carol Baur

Education is not only instruction. It has always been an essential and wholesome matter in time and space. Today, almost all technical instruction penetrates without any kind of barrier into the student's interest and becomes essential for their well-being, mainly due to a world market effect, leaving aside ethics, history, culture and the unity, identity and love for their native land. Democratic education should produce adequate and measurable learning results. It should eliminate gender disparity. It should include vulnerable groups. It should aim to be sure every individual would be able to read and write and have elementary arithmetic knowledge, as well as culture for sustainable development.

The question lays in solving the challenges of democratic education, which must be free, equal, and inclusive. It should promote peace, respect, tolerance, friendship, and human rights. Suggested solutions include preparing public service personnel, developing planning, and management instruments that permit local governments to take better decisions with respect to what the population requires and demands. Contents of education and learning direction to form integer individuals will have to be a unison chore between society and government, in order to solve present problems, understanding the principle of respecting the sovereignty of each Nation.





PEACE-WALKING: 'TRANSFORMING OURSELVES TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room 12, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 129)

Sponsor: Global Center for Human Change

Have you ever considered that the way we walk can generate peace in ourselves and by extension to those all around? Peace is more than the absence of conflict – much, much more... The opportunity to bring about a more peaceful world is available to each of us every day. In this workshop, the Global Center Research Team will introduce the Sustainable Development Goal Alignments – the practical human responses to bring about a new and different future. While the 17 Sustainable Development Goals lay out the challenges we collectively face and the global agenda to 'transform our world', the 17 SDG Alignments show the way we can activate a human response to these global challenges. This workshop will show the way to evolve a new level of response to Sustainable Development Goal 16 (Promoting just, peaceful and inclusive societies) and ensure peace in the world through a change in ourselves. Participants will experience a greater awareness of self, awareness of others, a reduction in stress and strain, and most importantly a consciousness of the way we can transform ourselves to transform the world – each and every day. 'Peace-Walking' is just one of the many EVO Change Workshops being offered by the Global Center in support of the SDGs, based on the new book by Richard Bowell "An Urgent Plea From The Future", containing all 17 SDGs and the accompanying SDG Alignments: anurgentpleafromthefuture.org.

TOWARDS UN2020: THE CASE FOR STRENGTHENING MULTILATERALISM

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room C, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: CIVICUS

Co-Sponsors: World Federalist Movement – Institute for Global Policy (WFM-IGP); The Workable World Trust; CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation; The Stimson Center; Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung New York (FES-NY); United Nations Association UK (UNA-UK); NGO Committee on Sustainable Development NY

As we approach the UN's 75th anniversary in 2020, there is growing interest in using the occasion as a much-needed opportunity for stocktaking, review and strengthening of the organization. This civil society information meeting will provide an opportunity to review and discuss: support from governments and other stakeholders for "timely preparations for the 75th anniversary of the UN, identify desirable elements of a broadly based multilateral process leading to the proposed 2020 World Leaders' Summit, and develop and harness international civil society initiatives, campaigns and coalitions committed to progressive global governance reform. The UN2020 Global Call to Action as a means to building an agenda for a renewed United Nations.





MANY FAITHS; ONE BELIEF

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 3, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 584)

Sponsor: Latter-day Saint Charities

Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights expressly protects the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion. And although the number of the religiously unaffiliated is growing 80% of humanity belongs to some kind of faith community, and the need for Article 18 still persists, although the ways in which it is applied may vary.

People of every faith tradition are united in their belief that they should be able to worship as they see fit. Unfortunately, in many fora today, people of faith must "check their religion at the door," so as not to offend any individual or group. This workshop will examine Article 18 and offer concrete solutions to how people of all faiths can navigate today's increasingly secular world without having to compromise their beliefs, and also examine how people of faith can work together on their common belief that everyone has the right to worship how, where, or what they may.

<u>CONNECTION IS A CHOICE - WAYS TO MAKE SURE YOUR ORGANIZATION IS HEARD!</u> <u>ENHANCE YOUR COMMUNICATION SKILLS TO HELP IMPLEMENT THE SDG'S</u>

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 4, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 768)

Sponsor: NGO/DPI Executive Committee

Communicating with those that support your NGO because they share your concerns is easy. However, the challenge for many NGOs is making sure that those who don't know much about your work will choose to listen to your message. We know that this type of communication is critical for civil society especially in light of achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. The UN Secretary General has recognized that relevant stakeholders, such as NGOs, can positively contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. Because he has encouraged national governments to consult with NGOs it is even more critical that our organizations enhance our communication skills --- and that we need to do this now. This workshop is interactive and will introduce you to general principles in how to craft short, clear, conversational statements, intelligible to people outside your field, about what you do and why it matters. Through discussion, improvisation, and concepts utilized in the Alda Communications technique, participants will discuss how to interpret complex and difficult material to illuminate unfamiliar concepts to those who can have an impact on your mission. You will learn how to handle problems in public interactions, discussions with the media, as well as peer-to-peer communication. Participants will be actively engaged in improvisation exercises and will practice clarity in speaking to funders, policy makers, and the general public about their work.





HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION - STARTING FROM RESPECTING CULTURAL DIFFERENCES AND ADHERING TO ONE'S CONSCIENCE

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: Association of World Citizens

Co-Sponsors: Global Future Network; Federation of World Peace and Love

Article 1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights states "All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood." As we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the declaration, we can't help but wonder how there are still so many human rights violation issues. Thus, it is crucial that during the 67th Conference, we reposition ourselves with the UN to protect the natural rights that human beings are endowed with. Our innate conscience is the guiding light that inspires us to act on compassion and to create peace and prosperity.

The UN was established for the people, so this workshop will echo the spirit and create a platform for people to cooperate through rapprochement of Cultures, the key to finding global solutions for global problems. The speakers will share their success in protecting human rights and bringing peace. They will also interact with the attendees to come up with new and creative ideas for our world problems together. We hope people can leave the workshop encouraged and hopeful that each step we take, we are closer to world peace.

WATER: KEY TO PROSPERITY FOR ALL HUMANITY

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 11, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 131)

Sponsor: Lehigh University

Co-Sponsors: The Barbuda Council, Nation of Antigua & Barbuda; Engineers without Borders; Colgate Palmolive

Estimates for achieving the SDGs are \$5-7 trillion. This level of investment cannot be achieved through the public sector alone. The funding gap can only be closed through a creative and collaborative effort that includes governments, academic institutions, NGOs, and business. Through a unique collaboration involving a youth-led Engineers Without Borders initiative in Latin America, the hurricane threatened Caribbean nation of Antigua and Barbuda, global corporation Colgate Palmolive, reliant on clean water as a business necessity, and Lehigh University's Sustainable Development Program, we intend to explore the concept of water as a key to prosperity for all humanity through the lens of water purification, conservation, resilience and peace. Our panelists will address the topic from the village level, to national identity and security, and as a global concern, with SDG 6 Clean Water and Sanitation as the guiding principle.





EMPOWERING YOUTH ACTION FOR THE GLOBAL GOALS

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 12, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 129)

Sponsor: UN Foundation

Young people are taking action for the sustainable development goals in a variety of ways – through technology, arts, and private sector partnerships. This panel discussion will feature various strategies and initiatives to engage young people and will provide examples of the platforms young people are using to amplify their voices and make a difference. Through this workshop, attendees will have the opportunity to discuss creative ways to advocate for their organization's mission and inspire youth action for the Global Goals.

FIREWORKS: SAVING THE FUTURE OF CHILDREN - A CIVIL SOCIETY'S INITIATIVE

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room C, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: Corporación De Ayuda Al Niño Quemado

COANIQUEM shares the successful experience achieved in Chile with the regulation on the domestic use of fireworks, sponsoring a law that prohibits their purchase, sales and usage for private purposes. The enactment of the Law had a significant impact on the number of children and teenagers burned playing with fireworks. This Law was a Civil Society's initiative that should be implemented in other States members of the UN, promoted by NGOs, especially in the countries where children are involved in the fabrication of fireworks.

<u>ROLE OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IN OVERCOMING CONFLICTS AND</u></u> <u>CHALLENGES IN SUSTAINABLE PEACE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT</u>

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 3, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 584)

Sponsor: Pathways to Peace

Co-Sponsors: URI, Peace Day Philly, UN DPI NGO International Day of Peace, Mater Dei Prep Global Institute, March for Your Lives NY

The world today has become a paradox of us vs them. Through exposure to specific media outlets, people can often times without knowing become "conditioned" to think only in a specific way, often times creating obstacles to effective dialogue. The only way to address this is to introduce communication strategies at national and global levels. Effective communication within Peace Building dynamics is one of the most critical tools of the trade. This dynamic interactive workshop will explore "barriers" that can create unproductive encounters and challenging dynamics. Workshop will incorporate successful skill sets that lead to creating win-win solutions and sustainable and productive encounters. This workshop has been presented to international delegations worldwide with acclaimed success. Useful for creating parameters for effective dialogue, understanding differences and overcoming obstacles.





<u>D IS FOR DEVELOPMENT: HOW SESAME STREET PROMOTES THE SUSTAINABLE</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT GOALS</u>

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 1, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 569)

Sponsor: Sesame Workshop

Since its inception in 1969, Sesame Workshop has focused on helping children grow smarter, stronger, and kinder. Using Muppets and the power of media to speak directly to children about difficult issues, Sesame Workshop has pushed the boundaries of what it means both to educate and to entertain. Best known as the producer of Sesame Street, the Workshop has reached children in more than 150 countries, including more than 30 local adaptations in countries as diverse as Bangladesh, India, South Africa, Brazil, and Afghanistan.

Through a unique combination of television, radio, digital media, mobile technologies, and community outreach, Sesame Workshop develops initiatives to reach young children and families around the world that directly align with the Sustainable Development Goals. The Workshop has a strong track record of achievement in the areas of quality early childhood education, gender equity, clean water and sanitation, and health and well-being. Moreover, as recipients of the MacArthur Foundation's first 100&Change grant, Sesame Workshop, in partnership with the IRC, is creating a model for early childhood development in humanitarian crisis. These efforts are guided by three critically important programmatic areas: access to early education; critical health lessons; and tools for vulnerable children.

EDUCATION FOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP: ACHIEVING THE RIGHT TO LEARN THROUGH SDGS QUALITY EDUCATION

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 4, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 768)

Sponsor: Dream Touch for All **Co-Sponsors:** AIESEC

Education is a human right, essential to well-being and dignity, and is key to achieving Agenda 2030. Further, an ethos of global citizenship is required in order to fulfill this bold, people-centered, universal, and planet-sensitive development framework. The workshop aims to discuss on achieving the Right to Learn through fulfilling SDGs Goal 4: Quality Education. We will discuss on the progress of the commitments set forth from the Gyeongju Action Plan during the 66th UN DPI/NGO Conference, "Education for Global Citizenship: Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals Together." Specifically, how the commitments set forth in the Action Plan are implemented and how can they be used as the right indicators as we approach 2030.





EDUCATION IS A HUMAN RIGHT FOR ALL

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: Kappa Delta Pi (KDP)

Co-Sponsors: Kappa Delta Pi; Public-Private Alliance Foundation; Creative Change Education Solutions; UNA-USA Southern NY State Division

Education is a human right as cited in The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Article 26 of the Declaration states "Education shall be directed to the full development of the human personality and to the strengthening of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms." Yet, millions of children are denied a fair chance for no reason other than the country, gender or circumstances into which they are born. Of the 21.3 million refugees around the world, half of them are children who after escaping conflict and violence, have lost the ability to obtain an education and ultimately compromising their futures. Progress for these disadvantaged children is not only a moral, but a strategic imperative. Our workshop will provide a presentation of the issues regarding access to education, promotion of education for girls, and provide examples of successful host nation and NGO responses and needed actions to address the issues.

ACHIEVING GLOBAL ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE TREATMENTS: THE ROLE OF NEW TECHNOLOGY, TRADITIONAL AND INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 11, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 131)

Sponsor: World Council of Peoples for the United Nations **Co-Sponsors:** Institute for Art and Olfaction; TCMOUN; Puerto Rico Reiki Institute

Access to health care treatments is a challenge facing societies worldwide. Inspired by the Conference theme "Shared Planet, Shared Prosperity", and UN Sustainable Development Goal #3 "Ensure Healthy Lives and Promote Well-Being for All at All Ages," this workshop will present insights from health care practitioners specialized in applying new technologies, as well as traditional and integrative medicine to treat non-communicable diseases and disabilities for people of all ages. Experts in issues ranging from oncology to respiratory illnesses, developmental conditions, neuroscience, memory and multisensory stimulation, will share innovative approaches based on experiences from diverse regions. Participants will learn about the complementarity of Eastern and Western disciplines and discuss new modalities for illness prevention and treatment. The workshop will provide a platform to exchange ideas and develop new alliances in the health care field and medical problem-solving to reach under-served populations worldwide.

<u>FINDING SOULTIONS TO PROMOTE AND DENFEND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNIVERSAL</u> <u>DECLERATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS</u>

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room B, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

The workshop will look at how civil society can work with the UN Human Rights Office to promote and defend human rights while offering suggestions on the ways to mark the 70th anniversary of the UDHR next 10 December.





THE CENTRAL INCLUSION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS: NATIONAL ACTION PLANS, LOCALIZATION EFFORTS AND EFFECTIVE MOBILIZATION

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room C, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: International Sociological Association

Co-Sponsors: Global Network of Women Peacebuilders; Criminologists Without Borders; Commission on Gender Equity; University of Johannesburg's Department of Sociology

This workshop will be a brainstorming session for those already working on or interested starting an effort that will result in the central inclusion of women and girls in their communities (small towns to societies). The workshop will examine efforts of civil society representatives to put National Action Plans in place (based on UN Security Council Resolution 1325), localization initiatives (including Cities for CEDAW) and mobilization efforts of women and girls in selected areas. Those attending will be involved from the beginning by providing information about their most important interests/questions and their responses will drive the direction of the workshop. Brief presentations will be made by a former UN Under-Secretary-General (the "father" of UNSCR 1325) on fostering political will; an expert on the effective development and implementation of national and local action plans; and a commissioner from a city with an innovative city implementation process. The panel of experts (and some in the audience) will serve as consultants for those in the room on the inclusion challenges they are facing such as developing the political will of government leaders, gathering the funds for needed activities/gender studies and showing progress. Resource lists will be provided to all who attend.





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HUMAN RIGHTS AS A KEY ASPECT IN THE 2030 AGENDA

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: Panamanian Human Rights Council **Co-Sponsors:** Fundación Iguales Panama (Iguales Foundation Panama); Comité de Derechos Humanos de Panamá (Panamanian Human Rights Council)

The Human Rights declaration is commonly associated with a social/humanitarian approach to humanity, human relations or with the environment, but rarely with the SDG or the 2030 agenda. The proposed workshop aims to be a pathway leading to a better understanding of the Human Rights Declaration from an economic and political approach, implying the "Leaving No One Behind" campaign as a key aspect to future human adaptability. As a psychologist and researcher, my work revolves around an integral conceptualization of the Human Rights. The involvement of Human Rights related organizations or NGO's on specific topics, like child protection, are well-known, but what the world needs now is to work together towards a bigger and common goal: "Human Dignity Preservation". As a member of the Panamanian Human Rights Council my mission is to provide the evidence needed to every NGO in order to take a step further towards public policy, especially in topics related to special or key populations.

TRANSFORMING VALUES INTO QUANTIFIED, CO-CREATED CULTURES OF PEACE

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room 11, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 131)

Sponsor: Kosmos Associates, Nonviolence International **Co-Sponsors:** Nonviolence International; Barrett Values Centre; Bridges Global

Multilateralism means collaboration among different cultures, and every multilateral table has its own culture. Despite the impact of cultural complexities on outcomes, and it being fundamental to mutuality, culture is rarely accounted for. Values define cultures. Lack of data on values priorities hinders the UN's framework for bridging actions and values, and forces multilateral actors to conjecture while differences get compounded and alignments are neglected. Quantifying cultures by measuring values helps account for what "we the people" want most. Cultural accountancy provides a basis for resource sharing via: inclusive, transparent, data-based platform for developing shared sense of identity, purpose & vision, tracking of intangibles including perception of UN's values fulfillment, & visionary global mandates. Additionally, cultural accountancy provides a basis for resource sharing via Data on gaps, blind spots & leading edges, entropy data on where negative values deplete processes, technology for establishing coherence in transmitting & enacting 2030 Agenda across UN, Member States & NGOs.





MUN IN ACTION: YOUTH LEADERS AS PARTNERS TO ACHIEVE THE SDGS

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room 12, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 129)

Sponsor: International Model United Nations Association (IMUNA)
Co-Sponsors: Model United Nations Impact, World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA)

This workshop will feature a discussion of the ways that NGOs can harness the energy of the hundreds of thousands of young leaders actively involved in Model UN simulations around the world. These student activists are united in their passion to solve the great issues facing our world. However, many of them don't know how they can turn their debate experience into meaningful, real-world change. During the workshop, leaders from some of the largest MUN organizations will lead a discussion on the ways in which NGOs can connect with and mobilize MUN participants to make meaningful progress towards achieving their missions and the SDGs. The workshop will also discuss the ways in which UN mandates and the SDGs can be better integrated into MUN curricula to encourage youth participation. Whether working on a classroom, community, or international scale, collaboration between MUNers and NGOs has the potential to impact countless lives.

YOUTH: TODAY'S LEADERS - CHALLENGES OF EMPLOYABILITY

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Conference Room B, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: International Federation for Training and Development Organizations (IFTDO) **Co-Sponsors:** Mactay Consulting, Nigeria; Construction Industry Vocational Training Council of India

While youth are emerging as today's leaders, a large percentage of them, particularly in the developing countries, face the challenge of employability. Those coming out of education system often find that there is wide gap between what they learnt and what is required in the industry and other sectors of their economies. The session will discuss the challenges for employability which the youth have to face. More particularly, it will focus on the skill development, including leadership skills for the youth for employability. This is a strategic issue for all countries, particularly the developing countries. The objective of this Workshop is to bring together global experts in skills development to discuss the employability and leadership challenges for the youth, focusing on skills mismatch challenges and propose practical solutions.





EDUCATING ON GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP THROUGH INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES, SERVICE, AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROGRAMS

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room 1, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 569)

Sponsor: The City College of New York

Pursuant to the SDG 4 and the Gyeongju Action Plan, this workshop will examine the role of engaged education programs, including service and experiential learning, interdisciplinary studies, and intercultural exchanges in enhancing global citizenship. The workshop will introduce case studies, comparative analysis as well as quantitative and qualitative research to demonstrate the impact of engaged education on youth leadership. Engaged education is teaching and learning to bring students, universities, and communities across the globe to share practices, experiences, and knowledge. Experiential learning is learning through experience combining in-class instructions with practical activities. The workshop will determine that civic-oriented programs contribute to youth engagement by promoting leadership skills and teaching the importance of inclusion. Speakers will address the claim that a determined implementation of engaged education programs and experiential learning activities addresses the feeling of alienation and superficiality among youth worldwide, thus reducing the threat of radicalization and xenophobia. The workshop will demonstrate that student and youth engagement in public service benefits all parties involved. This engagement constitutes the core of an experiential learning model where students, educators, and youth interact with diverse constituencies in community-based organizations learning about and working on social and civic agenda.

MOBILIZING AND EMPOWERING PEOPLE LIVING IN POVERTY THROUGH COMMUNITY BASED PARTNERSHIPS AND UTILIZING INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room 3, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 768)

Sponsor: International Federation of Settlements and Neighborhood Centers **Co-Sponsors**: NGO Committee on Human Rights; Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; ATD Fourth World; National Youth Service Action and Social Development Research Institute

Through the OFHCHR, this workshop will provide an in-depth understanding of human right's instruments including the SDG's that can be and are being used to realize human rights for people living in poverty. A representative from National Youth Service Action and Social Development Research Institute (Odisha, India) will present his work implementing social justice and development of marginalized people. Their programs cover more than 5.2 million underprivileged persons. A representative from ATD Fourth World will present their handbook for implementing the UN guiding principles on extreme poverty and human rights. This handbook is designed to reach the poorest members of society and overcome the significant social, cultural, economic and structural obstacles to human rights enjoyment faced by people living in poverty. The groups most likely to be living in poverty that experience stigmatization and discrimination include women, racial, ethnic minorities, members of castes and migrants.





WEAVING TOGETHER: HANDICRAFT FOR DEVELOPMENT

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room 4, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 768)

Sponsor: WT Asociación Mujeres Unidas para el Microcrédito **Co-Sponsors:** MERAKIU; Centro Artesano de Cartagena; Centro de Innovación de Republica Dominicana

Weaving Together, "Handicraft for development", is workshop and fashion show that will demonstrate the importance of bringing handicrafts from local context to global markets. The fashion industry should embrace the traditional knowledge of handicrafts and transform them into the best fashion trends. Artisans and designers should work together to create synergies that will benefit artisans, modernizing and evolving their creations, and designers, recovering their cultural heritage. The workshop will be divided into 3 sections. Ethical and sustainable fashion: This new approach to the design, sourcing and manufacture of clothing, looks to maximize the benefits to people and communities while minimizing the impact on the environment. Universalization of creativity: Handicrafts are an important source of inspiration and innovation for the fashion industry. They are the origin of ancestral creativity and a vital component to recover cultural heritage. Trends for development: The knowledge of the latest fashion trends will help the artisans access new markets and achieve a fair remuneration for their work, while reducing the presence of intermediaries in the value chain. Women Together, as a fashion promoter for development, will host a fashion show that will give handicrafts the innovation approach they need to access a wider audience.

EXPLORING EFFECTIVE MODELS FOR DEVELOPING THE LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL OF THE 21ST CENTURY YOUTH

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: Strategy for Mentoring Initiative and Leadership Empowerment (S.M.I.L.E) **Co-Sponsors:** Agents for Change; Men of Purpose; Journey to Self-Discovery; Develop Africa Inc.; FABE International Foundation

The workshop is focused on examining frameworks that will be effective in developing the leadership potential of the 21st century youth. The emphasis will be on capacity building, awareness and mentoring as tools for harnessing the leadership potential of the youth. For practical insights, the workshop will feature the presentation of S.M.I.L.E's Young Leaders Mentoring Program, a model that has been successfully used in Lagos, Nigeria for effective youth leadership development. There will be discussions by other organizations in the youth leadership space, on their approaches and outcomes and possible variation of the models for adoption.





HOW TO USE TODAY'S TECHNOLOGY TO HAVE YOUR VOICES HEARD AROUND THE WORLD

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room 11, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 131)

Sponsor: The Peacemaker Corps Association **Co-Sponsors:** Man Up Campaign

The interactive workshop will be the joint presentation of PCA and Man Up Campaign. Carole Krechman, President of PCA, will introduce the conference attendees to the Peace in the Streets Global Film Festival for youth18 and under worldwide. The intersection of today's accessible digital technology allows youth, wherever they live, to be connected and take an active part in shaping their future world. Carole will present the what, how to and why via video and interactive questioning. An integrated youth focused panel will follow which will highlight music, youth and spreading the word; gender inclusion; and the power of storytelling - all enabled by today's technology. We believe our workshop will provide "take away" for each delegate which can be replicated in their communities.

PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO IMPLEMENT THE SDGS

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room B, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: Unitarian Universalist Association United Nations Office **Co-Sponsors:** World Development Foundation

Can SDG #16 lead to stronger institutions in order to view partnerships implied in SDG#17 existing in a way that allows for a shared planet with shared prosperity, where all stakeholders contribute and benefit equally? Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) have been discussed in the United Nations as both new and important collaborations and also as a distraction devised by companies seeking to control the development agenda. The World Development Foundation has worked with (PPP Conference at the UN Moderator) Bruce Knotts to discuss the pros and cons of these large partnerships among Member States, private investors or corporations, and civil society. The workshop will include a panel that will feature differing points of view toward development of new PPPs while also looking at the issue from the UN policy and enlightened investor point of views. The audience will be asked to provide their perspectives and how the UN might better strengthen itself in order to either prepare for or block these collaborations in the future - also how we might educate corporations and investors to understand the ways in which the UN and civil society could suggest PPPs be conducted in the future. A comprehensive report will follow the session.





EMPOWERING AND ACTIVATING GLOBAL CITIZENS THROUGH LOCAL YOUTH-LED WORKSHOPS

11:45 a.m. – 13:00 p.m. Conference Room C, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: AFS Intercultural Programs **Co-Sponsors:** AFS Brazil; Intercultura, Italy

"Being interculturally competent or culturally fluent are key skills in an increasingly interconnected and globalized world and crucial to tackle the challenges of our times and to achieve the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Inspired by the conference theme ""Shared Planet, Shared Responsibility"" we propose to conduct an interactive workshop that will inspire and empower participants to organize local, sustainable, and youth-led projects that tackle SDGs. Specifically, through this workshop participants will learn about a best practice (AFS' Effect+ Workshops) and have a chance to experience and experiment with easy to adapt methods and tools to replicate this best-practice in their local communities around the world.

SHARED PLANET, SHARED RESPONSIBILITY: SAFEGUARDING OUR COLLECTIVE PROSPERITY THROUGH CLIMATE ACTION

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 1, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 569)

Sponsor: Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation **Co-Sponsors:** 350.org; Climate Nexus; US Climate Action Network; Power Shift Network

The interactive workshop will bring together attendees of the conference, with leaders of various climate change movements, and UN spaces at the nexus of climate change, grassroots action, and movement building. Reflecting on what it means to "think globally, act locally" workshop presenters will share the strategies and challenges faced in their respective work, paying particular attention to how behavior shift and culture change can lead to deep sustainable community transformation, and the tools needed to achieve such change. Attendees will walk away with a stronger understanding of how to utilize existing networks and tools to build and grow their own climate action movements, from local to international.

#JOINTOGETHER NGO SDG WORKSHOP

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 3, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 584)

Sponsor: De Montfort University

The workshop aims to highlight the importance of engaging young people in Agenda 2030 and explains that Higher Education institutions are in an extremely strong position to do so. The NGOs present can feed into two new proposed projects to help shape their delivery as well as engage in social media activity. Two rival student teams from DMU will propose and develop their projects before the audience votes to select one to become part of #JoinTogether's work over the coming months. The work will also be fed back to the UNAI for dissemination as part of its SDG reporting cycle.





YOUTH LEADERSHIP AS A CATALYST FOR NATIONAL TRANSFORMATION: A CASE STUDY OF SIERRA LEONE

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 4, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 768)

Sponsor: Association of Sierra Leone **Co-Sponsors:** Association of Sierra Leone; Troy Foundation Sierra Leone; Starlets Sierra Leone

The Youth leadership as a catalyst for national transformation workshop will present and discuss youth leadership skills and competencies that can strengthen national capabilities to achieve the United Nations Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development and implementation of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Positioning youth as active agents of change in society, the workshop hopes to highlight the voice of young people regarding what works and what is needed. A case study of youth leadership and action in Sierra Leone will present the mitigating socio-economic realities and challenges in the global south, demonstrate best practices and outline innovative solutions for enhancing youth development and leadership skills at local, national and community levels.

WE THE PEOPLES ADVANCE HUMAN RIGHTS ENSHRINED IN THE UDHR TO ACHIEVE THE 2030 AGENDA FOR ALL: AN ASSESSMENT OF ADVOCACY & ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE HLPF TO LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation

Co-Sponsors: Hawaii Institute for Human Rights; Association Mondiale pour l'Ecole Instrument de Paix

The workshop will educate the participants, especially the indigenous peoples, about the creation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), a milestone document of all international human rights laws that has mobilized people to stand up and demand their fundamental rights since the last 70 years. The 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are grounded in global human rights law. The workshop will engage participants to fully comprehend the UN SDGs and commit to coordinate across communities, cities, countries and global civil society for the full realization of fundamental freedoms, human rights, and global goals. The result from the candid conversations will be creative campaigns to create courageous NGO projects, and National Action Plans as well as coordinate regional and global institutions to transform each country to achieve the UN Global Goals. There will be an exploration of how indigenous peoples and other Major Group and other Stakeholders have participated in the VNR process at the HLPF to advance human rights of indigenous peoples. There will be a review of four case studies from the 2018 HLPF covering Australia, Canada, Laos and Vietnam offering insight on future initiatives to promote and protect human rights for all.





VIRTUAL REALITY - USING EMPATHY TO CONNECT YOUTH WITH NGOS

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room 12, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 129)

Sponsor: Rutgers Preparatory School

Our workshop will discuss how virtual reality (VR), an emerging technology, can be used to connect today's youth with the mission of each NGO. Research shows that virtual storytelling in an immersive environment offers a rich connection to the experience. Empathy toward a cause increases when viewed in VR. Engaging youth in a purpose is well-documented as an important role in connecting the most recent generations to the work they do. Introductions to low-cost implementation will help NGOs attract more attention to their important work while being offered within the constraints of a limited budget. Larger, more detailed projects, will also be discussed for well-funded NGOs. An exhibit is planned to demonstrate these technologies at the conference.

<u>YOUTH USING TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS TO TACKLE GLOBAL PROBLEMS</u> <u>THROUGH CIVIL SOCIETY AND GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIPS</u>

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room B, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: International Association of Applied Psychology **Co-Sponsors:** UN Major Group for Children and Youth; Urban Catalyst Lab; Psychology Coalition of NGOs accredited by the UN; World Council for Psychotherapy (WCP)

There are 1.8 billion youth in the world today presenting a valuable resource to tackle global problems as outlined in the new UN 2030 Agenda. Creative projects are being initiated that use technology tools and the arts to address issues like making cities resilient, insuring resilience in the face of natural disasters, and promoting mental health and wellbeing. Examples of youth involvement in such innovations will be presented, demonstrating how new approaches represent collaborations between civil society organizations, as well as non-governmental organizations with both local and international government. The process of expanding these projects to other settings will be described.





HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD: USE OF CONTEMPLATIVE DISCIPLINES IN SERVICE OF PEACE, JUSTICE AND HUMAN DIGNITY

13:30 – 14:45 p.m. Conference Room C, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: Shri Ram Chandra Mission

Co-Sponsors: International Federation of Women in Legal Careers; Brahma Kumaris, World Spiritual University; Committee on International Day of Yoga at the United Nations; Heartfulness Institute; Adizes Institute

The workshop will address the use of contemplative disciplines in the service of societal change. Presenters will discuss historical as well as contemporary uses of meditation and other yogic techniques in support of campaigns for economic and social justice. A presenter will also provide an overview of the research in neuroscience and psychology that demonstrates meditation enhances one's capacity for empathy and compassion. The United Nations seeks to enlist people in collective action toward shared goals, including peace and respect for human rights and human dignity. The workshop will engage participants in a discussion of this mission – and the use of contemplative practices to raise consciousness and promote cohesion and unity within and among communities dedicated to change. The workshop will conclude with a guided relaxation exercise and a brief silent meditation.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE MULTILATERALISM INHERENT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE STRUCTURAL AND OPERATIONAL MECHANISMS

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 1, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 569)

Sponsor: Parliament of the World's Religions

Co-Sponsors: Parliament of the World's Religions; United Religions Initiative; Interfaith Center of New York; Temple of Understanding

The workshop promotes multilateralism as a viable and important modality of local and global engagement to address challenges that confront us. In their respective operational practices, and in the structure of the respective organizations, the Parliament of the World's Religions (through its convening power as one of the world's largest conveners of communities of faith), the United Religions Initiative (through its more than 900 global Cooperation Circles), the Interfaith Center of New York, (through its religiously diverse communities and partners from governments, and civil society partners in New York City), and the Temple of Understanding, (through its education, advocacy and leadership programs that engage diverse faith communities on a range of issues), these organizations manifest multilateralism in ways that bring greater harmony, understanding, and cooperation across racial, ethnic, religious and identity-based borders.





JAPAN, ASIA AND BEYOND: HOW A PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM, THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, AND CIVIL SOCIETY ARE PROMOTING SDGS TO COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 3, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 584)

Sponsor: UNIC Tokyo

How are we able to convey complex SDG messages to the general public in a world with ever increasing competition for our attention? Partnership and collaboration bringing different expertise and networks in engaging ways are key. This interactive and visually exciting workshop will feature discussants from global ad agency Dentsu, entertainment powerhouse Yoshimoto Kogyo and Japan Civil Society Network on SDGs to offer inspiring examples from Japan, Asia and beyond. This workshop will be a "deep dive" into the Day 2 morning plenary, allowing discussions on a "whole-of-society approach" to advocacy that includes media, comedians, and local governments, and deploys tools like market research, employee training, public events and multimedia.

PARTNERSHIPS FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET: SHARING RESPONSIBILITY AND RESOURCES

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 4, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 768)

Sponsor: NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY

Co-Sponsors: Global Access Partner, LLC; Style & Resilience PR; Humanity Helping Sudan Project; Mediators Beyond Borders International; Global Foundation for Democracy & Development; Global Family; Huairou Commission; Youth For a Better World: Montessori MUN; Peace Boat-US/NYO; Global Family for Love & Peace; The Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission; UNA-USA Council of Organizations & CoNGO

We will share examples of partnership engagement in developing innovative solutions that are inclusive to support people and planet. Our informative presentations are related to the ocean and plastic pollution, migration, entrepreneurship, media and communications for economic growth with an inter-active dialogue on developing projects with partners that will have positive impacts leading to prosperous economic environments. Following our NGOCSD-NY Motto: "Turn Your Passions into Actions for Change" we hope to encourage partnership building by raising awareness of the important role of civil society and other stakeholders for shared responsibility in developing these critical connections so we "Leave No One Behind" coming back to the UN Charter with "We the Peoples of the United Nations."

**There will be an inactive dialogue with an opportunity for several attendees to share their own concepts related to "Partnerships for People & Planet."





EMPOWERING WOMEN AND GIRLS: GLOBAL STRATEGIES FOR CROSSING MULTI-GENERATIONAL AND CULTURAL BARRIERS

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 5, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 119)

Sponsor: The International Catholic Committee of Nurses and Medico-Social Assistants (CICIAMS)

Co-Sponsors: C-FAM UN ECOSOC NGO; Fertility Care Centers of Africa (Nigeria); National Association of Catholic Nurses - USA

Global strategies designed to empower women and girls must be multi-generational in design and capable of crossing multi-cultural barriers. This workshop presents evidence-based, cost effective, environmentally safe and mobilizing innovations. Dynamic, yet practical, solutions targeting vulnerable populations utilizing available resources and technologies will be highlighted. Live interviews, reporting of current global statistics, and overviews of creative programs will be provided. Q&A opportunities for attendees to discuss replication of these strategies in their own countries will be featured. Together, this educational approach relays proven and effective modalities. Empowerment of women and girls is a world-wide priority. Sustainability of societies and nations rest upon the achievement of social justice for all. Humanity is duty-bound to "leave no one behind".

THE VISION OF UNITED CIVILIZATIONS

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room 12, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 129)

Sponsor: Global Dialogue Foundation

This workshop will call for all conference participants to come together under one umbrella - a global citizen's assembly as the main body of the United Civilization (UC). The objective of the UC is to organize communities to create a global inclusive society and culture of peace, i.e., to address the needs of communities and help improve living conditions around the world unconditionally, while collaborating with and uniting existing resources and efforts from all other society groups – governmental, administrative, religious, business, educational, media etc., aligned with the UN's sustainable development agenda.

During the workshop, participants will work on brainstorm the establishing of the global citizen's assembly, discussing the different possibilities for cooperation with the other society groups, and establishing of monthly meetings in each country that will bring members of all societies together, either in person and/or online.





INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS

15:00 – 16:15 p.m. Conference Room C, Conference Bld. (Capacity: 53)

Sponsor: Nightingale Initiative for Global Health; NGO Committee on Education, Learning and Literacy

Co-Sponsors: International Council of Nurses, IVECA; NGO Committee on Education, Learning, and Literacy; Akshar Foundation, Kulen Outreach

This action-oriented workshop will offer innovative approaches to a paradigm shift in education, learning and literacy through creative, global public/private partnerships focusing on intervention for vulnerable populations, especially women and girls in primary, secondary and post-secondary programs. Cutting edge, award winning programs will be presented with description that enables participants to replicate and adapt for their own settings. The expert panel includes exceptional advocates working with street children and their mothers in northern India, mountain-top village dwelling girls in rural Cambodia, college nursing and health students in credit-bearing service learning projects in Grenada and a virtual program linking learning activities of children in classrooms around the world. Unique aspects of each program include training (and paying) primary school children to teach their peers to become the heroes the world needs, expanding education and life preparation for girls by linking their remote village to the city in partnership with the Ministry of Education and private philanthropists, establishing unprecedented partnerships with Caribbean Ministries of Health and Education and a US college, and promoting intercultural educational opportunities for isolated students using Information Communication Technology. This Workshop will inspire, teach and motivate participants to explore opportunities for creativity and innovation necessary to address the 2030 Agenda.