Building Inclusive Partnerships with UN Initiatives for 2023 & Beyond

Thursday, Dec. 22, 2022 from 1pm - 3:30pm, EST  RSVP Here

Can the United Nations truly drive social change and innovation to impact our sustainable climate future? One clear response is by connecting emerging initiatives with opportunities at the UN. For example, local authorities are developing urban solutions for climate by partnering with entrepreneurs in their communities due to their forward-thinking research and science-driven data based approaches to the UN SDGs. Stakeholders from different sectors and regions are working in collaboration with authorities at all levels to change the way we live and work. If successful, these efforts will improve standards of living and create jobs that will contribute to a sustainable economy. The importance of entrepreneurship is not to be understated as women and youth are increasingly leading the focus related to the UN 17 Sustainable Development Goals. We will give an overview of recent UN activities and the upcoming 61st Session of the UN Commission for Social Development, the Commission on the Status of Women-67, the UN Water Conference, UN-World Ocean Day and the UN High Level Political Forum with an urban focus, the 2023 SDG Summit with updates on UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres’ “Our Common Agenda” and the preparations for the Summit for the Future. We maintain our dedication to partnership building with all stakeholders for the SDGs to achieve success of the UN2030 Sustainable Development Agenda to “Leave No One Behind.”

Welcome & Moderator:

- Margo LaZaro, President and Chair of the NGOCSND-NY, Director of UN Relations for Global Family, Convener of the NGO/MG Urban Cluster for the UN High Level Political Forum

Opening Reflections

- Amir A. Dossal, President & CEO of the Global Partnerships Forum

Keynote Reflections:

- Hawa Taylor-Kamara Diallo, Chief of the Civil Society Unit within the Civil Society, Advocacy and Special Events Section of the United Nations Department of Global Communications

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- Satya S. Tripathi, Secretary-General of the Global Alliance for a Sustainable Planet
- Simon Littlewood, Founder & CEO of SDG Global Group
- Stan Chen, CEO of RecycleGO Inc., and President of United Metal Recycling
- Karimot Odebode, Founder of Black Girl’s Dream Initiative & an award-winning poet from Nigeria
- Dr. Eugénie L. Birch, FAICP, RTPI (Hon), Co-Director of Penn Institute for Urban Research and President of the General Assembly of Partners
- Daniel Perell, UN Rep of the Baha’i International Community & Co-Chair of the Coalition for the UN We Need
- Jan W. Dash, PhD, Editor-in-Chief of the Climate Action, Research, and Policy (World Scientific, 2023)
- Oli Henman, an Organizing Partner of the NGO Major Group & Global Coordinator of Action for Sustainable Development
- Arellys Bellerini, Senior United Nations Representative for World Vision in New York
- Nudhara Yusuf, Research Assistant with the Global Governance, Justice & Security Program at the Stimson Center in Washington D.C.
- Beverly Bucur, Chair of Global Policy for Soroptimist International and Advisory Board Member of the South Suburban Family Shelter
- Pamela Morgan, Founder and Executive Director of Woman in Media-Newark, Zonita International Rep to the UN, a Member of the Executive Committees of NGO CSW/NY and the NGO Committee on Migration
- Gaelin Rosenwaks, Founder of Global Ocean Exploration, Inc.

Our Common Agenda & the Summit for the Future Updates

- Jeffery Huffines, Senior Advisor of the Coalition for the UN We Need and Together First

Closing Reflections

- Julia Sora Wykoff, Founder and CEO of Zeal Cares. 17-year-old Social Entrepreneur & NGOCSND-NY 2023 Youth Rep

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