



ACTION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Workshop at HLPF 2017

New York 15-16 July 2016

9:15-9:30 Welcome & Introduction

- Moderator- *Alessandra Nilo, Gestos, Facilitation Group Member for Latin America*

Agenda – Day 1

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9:30-11:00 Setting the scene- recent approaches to national engagement on Leave No One Behind

11:00-11:30 Tea/Coffee

11:30-13:00 National perspectives on the VNR process and improving accountability

13:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 How can we work together to bring grassroots voices into the UN? Discussion with Major Groups and other Stakeholders

Agenda – Day 2

9:00-9:30 Welcome & recap of previous day

9:30-10:30 Regional engagement summaries

10:30-10:45 Tea/Coffee

10:45-12:30 Capacity development-
understanding joint needs

12:30-13:00 Lunch

13:00-14:00 Working Groups: Policy & Advocacy;
Public Mobilisation; Monitoring & Accountability;
Innovative Solutions

14:00-15:00 Discussion on joint position on HLPF

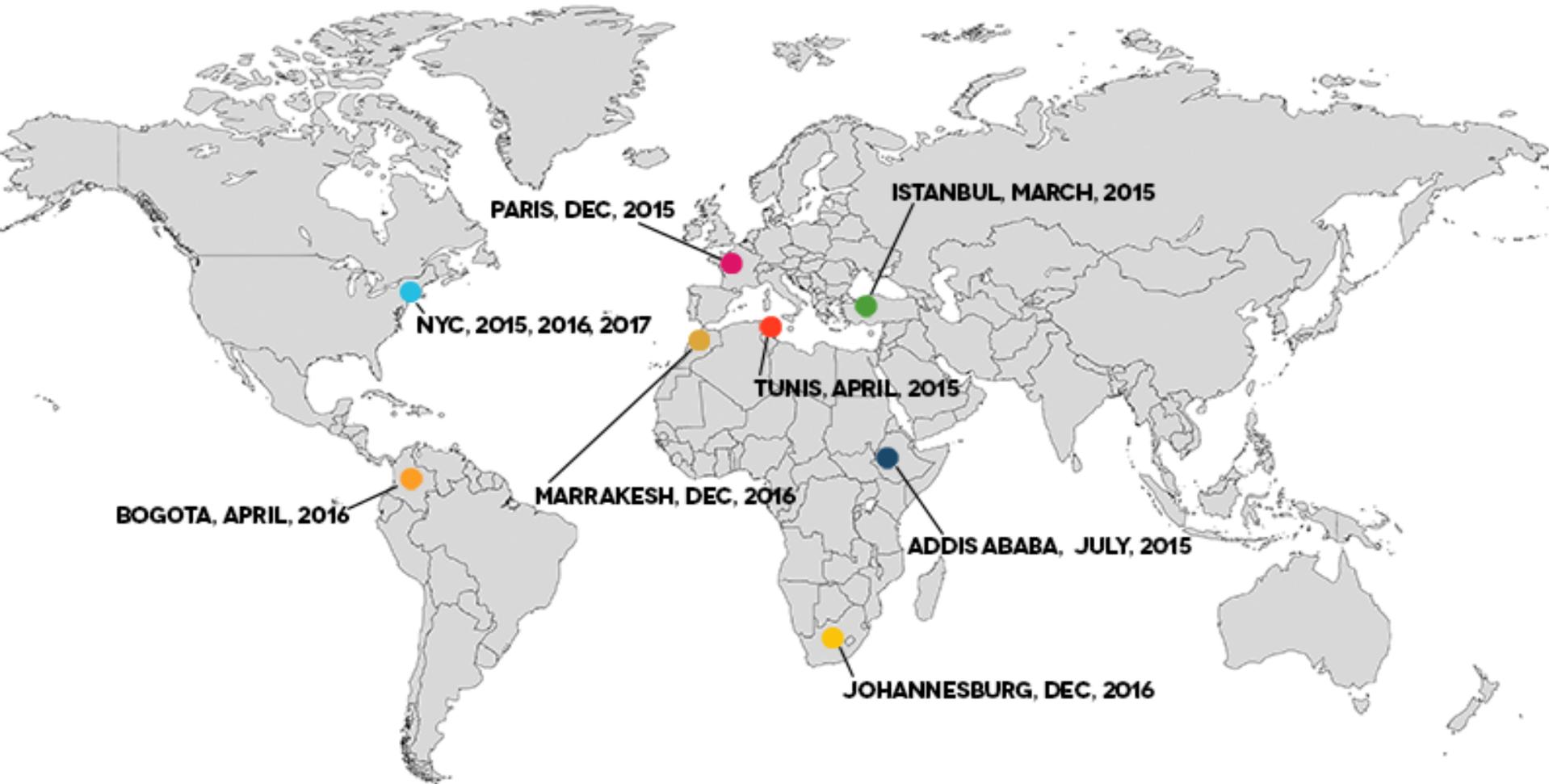
What is Action for Sustainable Development?

- Inclusive cross-cutting civil society platform
- Aims to bring citizens and civil society together to inspire and to commit to actions that empower all peoples, especially those who have been marginalised
- Provides horizontal engagement framework for national and regional partners

1,650 members in over 155 countries



Key Global Meetings



Structure



Forum

Made up of all participating organisations. Main decision-making body through in-person Forums or online 'People Panel'.



Facilitation Group

Global level. Work with Regional and National Coordinating Platforms, and Working Groups. Light touch steer and guidance.



Coordination Team

Facilitating connections and flow of information, building and maintaining momentum at regional and global levels.



Working Groups

Develop and deliver specific activities (e.g. issue-, constituency- or geography focused). All are open to all participating groups.

ACTION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: FACILITATION GROUP



Jack Kupferman



Shamina de Gonzaga



Farah Nazeer



Barbara Caracciolo



Roselle Rosay



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Agustina Carpio



Zahra Bazzi



Salina Sanou



Drew Havea

Mission Statement

We come together to inspire and to commit to actions that empower all peoples, especially those who have been marginalised, and in order to collectively tackle the root causes of inequalities, injustice, human rights violations, poverty, environmental degradation and climate change. We want a world where social, environmental and development justice is assured and all people are able to live in a prosperous, healthy, secure and peaceful environment.

Background

- So Now What? We came together as civil society to hold our leaders to account on the commitments in the SDGs
- Open to all CSOs: Work together across borders and constituencies
- Broad-based consultation: thousands of organizations participate

Key activities

4 Working Groups:

- Policy & Advocacy
- Monitoring & Accountability
- Public Mobilisation
- Innovative Solutions

Each working group has core activities for which 125 volunteers have pledged in excess of 3,000 hours per month towards their achievement

Online Engagement

16,600 twitter followers

3,5000 email subscribers

6,500 responses to consultations

8 webinars



BRAZIL

As the largest country in Latin America, Brazil's geography is a major factor contributing to how and why people are marginalized in the country. From indigenous communities in the Amazon basin and northern regions to the poor and disenfranchised in urban favelas, services and resources do not tend to reach those most in need in these areas. Key constituencies most marginalized in the country:

- Children and youth
- People living in favelas and urban slums
- Women
- People living with mental disabilities/ diseases
- Refugees, immigrants and migrants
- LGBTQ+

[See full country overview](#) | [See data profile](#)
[See full library of national resources & reports](#)



NATIONAL COORDINATORS

Name of lead government department for the Sustainable Development Goals
[Contact](#) | [More Information](#)

Name of lead government department for the Paris Climate Agreement
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Name of regional civil society coordinator for Action4SD
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DIRECTORY OF CIVIL SOCIETY ACTIONS

INITIATIVE	GOALS	LOCATION	SUMMARY	INFORMATION
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9:30-11:00 National engagement on Leave No One Behind

- Leave No One Behind Partnership- *Oli Henman*
- Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities- *Anderson Ghitonga*
- Women's Major Group- *Pam Rajput & Caroline Usikpedo-Omoniye*
- Children & Youth- *Beck Smith*
- The Philippines - *Beckie Malay*, Kenya - *Salina Sanou*, Brazil - *Fabio de Almeida*

Tea/Coffee Break
11:00-11:30

Mission Statement

We come together to take action for sustainable development

- *Because we live in an era of mass poverty, exclusion, serious human rights violations and growing inequalities; in which billions of people suffer from poverty, hunger, conflict, indignities and climate impacted conditions;*
- *Because our economic, financial and political systems are concentrating power and wealth in the hands of a few, favouring a limited number of individuals, countries and businesses;*
- *Because environmental destruction, resource extraction and climate change are threatening the very basis of life on our planet;*

Mission Statement

We come together to take action for sustainable development

- *Because in many parts of the world austerity undermines social protection and human rights that must be guaranteed by governments;*
- *Because transforming production and consumption patterns together is one of the most urgent challenges facing humanity;*
- *Because conflicts, occupations and displacements are causing untold and preventable hardships; restricting basic human security and undermining fundamental rights;*

Mission Statement

We come together to take action for sustainable development

- *Because fundamental freedoms, including freedom of association and assembly are being lost and institutions are being weakened; the space for citizens to organise and mobilise is being threatened and shrinking;*

11:30-13:00 National perspectives on the VNR process and improving accountability

- Moderator- *Emele Duituturaga, PIANGO, Facilitation Group Member for the Pacific*
- Nigeria - Oyebisi Oluseyi, NNNGO
- Togo - Eso-kl'nam Pedessi, Jeunes Vertes Togo
- Zimbabwe - Leonard Mandishara, NANGO
- Nepal - Dayasagar Shreshtha, NFN
- India – Jyotsna Mohan Singh, ADA
- Argentina - Agustina Carpio, Foco
- Japan – Masaki Inaba, SDGs Japan
- Jordan – Ahmad Awad, ANND

Lunch
13:00-13:30

13:30-15:00 How can we work together to bring grassroots voices into the UN?

- Moderator – *Beckie Malay, GCAP, Facilitation Group Member for Asia*
- Representatives from:
 - Womens Major Group
 - Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities
 - Stakeholder Group on Ageing
 - NGO Major Group
 - Major Group for Children & Youth
 - Trade Unions Major Group

STATE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE 44 COUNTRIES UNDER REVIEW AT THE UN'S HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM



NATIONAL CIVIC FREEDOMS – RATINGS

● OPEN (9)
 ● NARROWED (12)
 ● OBSTRUCTED (13)
 ● REPRESSED (6)
 ● CLOSED (4)

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| ● Monaco | ● Netherlands | ● Belgium | ● Luxemburg | ● Czech Republic | ● Portugal |
| ● Cyprus | ● Denmark | ● Sweden | ● Costa Rica | ● Slovenia | ● Japan |
| ● Botswana | ● Uruguay | ● Belize | ● Italy | ● Chile | ● El Salvador |
| ● Argentina | ● Benin | ● Panama | ● India | ● Peru | ● Nepal |
| ● Maldives | ● Indonesia | ● Brazil | ● Kenya | ● Malaysia | ● Jordan |
| ● Togo | ● Nigeria | ● Guatemala | ● Honduras | ● Thailand | ● Afghanistan |
| ● Qatar | ● Tajikistan | ● Zimbabwe | ● Bangladesh | ● Belarus | ● Azerbaijan |
| ● Ethiopia | ● Iran | | | | |

Day 2 9:00-9:30 Welcome & Recap of Day 1

Moderator – *Jack Kupferman, Gray Panthers, Facilitation Group Member for North America*

9:30-10:30 Regional Summaries of pre-HLPF engagement

- Moderator – *Salina Sanou, ACORD, regional Facilitation Group member for Africa*
- Africa – Stephen Chacha
- LAC – Miguel Santibanez
- Europe – Nurgul Djanaeva, Ingo Ritz
- MENA – Firas Jaber
- Asia – Jyotsna Mohan Singh
- North America - Jack Kupferman
- Pacific – Emele Duituturaga

10:30-10:45 Tea/Coffee Break

10:45-12:30 Capacity Development as part of Agenda 2030

- Moderator – *Zia Ur Rehman, Awaz, Facilitation Group Member for Asia*
- Presentation of capacity development needs – Magda Toma, IFP
- Key recent capacity development assessments – Deirdre de Burca, IFP & Matthew Reading-Smith, CIVICUS
- Discussion of needs with all participants

12:30-13:00 Lunch

13:00-14:00 Working Groups

Moderator – *Stephen Chacha, Africa Philanthropic Foundation, Facilitation Group Member for Africa*

13:00-14:00 Working Groups

Break our into working groups:

- 1. Policy & Advocacy – Rilli Lapaleinen**
- 2. Monitoring & Accountability – Farah Nazeer**
- 3. Innovative solutions – Matthew Reading Smith & Deirdre de Burca**
- 4. Public mobilisation – Ingo Ritz**

Policy & Advocacy Working Group

We will analyse and ask tough questions where we see problems, risks and shortcomings; we will work in a coordinated way to push power-holders to deliver better outcomes for people and planet.

Policy & Advocacy Working Group

- Regular webinars since January 2016
- Meeting at UNGA 2016
- Sharing of template for national country reports to HLPF
- 21 country reports shared for 2016
- 18 prepared for 2017
- Further national feed-back secured, in relation to 'Leave No One Behind'

Monitoring & Accountability Working Group

We will actively monitor implementation of the agreed agenda and invest in the capacity and agency of civil society to monitor progress on sustainable development.

Monitoring & Accountability Working Group

- Regular webinars since January 2016
- Meeting in April 2016 at International Civil Society Week
- Sharing of plans for national monitoring process
- Draft Terms of Reference
- Exploring ways to connect with other monitoring efforts

Innovative Solutions Working Group

We will showcase examples of how civil society is itself delivering on the sustainable development agenda, not just to highlight best practice and innovation, but also to hold ourselves accountable. We will share inspiring ideas and resources to make sure that alternative solutions are grounded in local needs.

Innovative Solutions Working Group

- Regular webinars since January 2016
- Mapping underway of national cases of innovation in implementation
- Exploring ways to enable national and local partners to share their own cases
- Providing civil society engagement & sponsorship in annual SDG Innovation Lab

Public Mobilisation Working Group

Recognising that this should be a People's Agenda, we will work to familiarize the public with sustainable development and the commitments made by governments, with an aim to promote people-powered accountability and support the mobilisation of people. We will organise solidarity actions with people working for sustainable development and cooperate with others to build a people's movement.

Public Mobilisation Working Group

- Regular webinars since January 2016
- HLPF and regional engagement
- Link public activity to anniversary of SDG adoption
- Support and amplify voices of national and local partners, eg. Social media, including at HLPF and UNGA

14:00-15:00 Joint Position on HLPF

- Moderator – *Rilli Lapaleinen, Kehys*
 - Feed-back on the HLPF process as a whole
 - Thoughts on draft statement
 - Follow-up



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- Conclusions & next steps
 - *Magda Toma, IFP*
 - *Oli Henman, CIVICUS*