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6th Economic and Social Council Youth Forum PROGRAMME

The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity in a changing world

30-31 January 2017

Trusteeship Council Chamber

United Nations Headquarters, New York

30 January 2017

Location: Trusteeship Council Chamber

10:00 AM – 10.45 AM OPENING SESSION

Opening remarks by:

- H.E. Mr. Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava, President of ECOSOC
- Mr. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations (Video Message)
- H.E. Mr. Peter Thomson, President of the General Assembly
- Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth
- Keynote Address by His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, His Majesty the King's Representative for Youth and Charity Affairs, Chairman of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, President of the Bahrain Olympic Committee
- Keynote Address by Ms. Trisha Shetty, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of SheSays- UN MGCY SDG 5 Team, and UN Young Leader

10.45 AM – 1 PM

PLENARY SESSION

Interactive Roundtable on “The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity”, featuring Ministers and other High-Level speakers.



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At a time when globalization is perceived to have contributed to lower standard of living for some, rising inequality and the mass movements of people, the Roundtable will make the case for global coordinated action and multilateralism in order to shape a better and fairer world, in particular for youth. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a key platform to steer global action and promote new initiatives worldwide. The involvement of young people in these efforts, both as targets and actors of public policies, will be at the center of the discussions.

Moderator: Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth

Interactive Discussion, featuring Ministerial participation, on the participation of Youth in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda

2:30 PM – 4:20 PM

BREAKOUT SESSIONS on the SDGs to be reviewed under the High-level Political Forum (HLPF) on sustainable development in 2017:

The thematic breakout sessions will provide space for open discussions by a wide range of stakeholders on the contributions that young people can make to reach the SDGs that will be reviewed by the HLPF in 2017. Discussions will illustrate the difference that youth can make through action at the local level and how these efforts can create a momentum in support of these goals at the global level.

- **End poverty in all its forms and create decent jobs for youth (Trusteeship Council Chamber)**

Moderator: Ms. Sofía García García, Representative to the United Nations, SOS Children's Villages International-UN MGCY SDG 1 Team

Introductory Remarks by Ms. Azita Berar Awad, Director of the ILO Employment Department



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- ***End hunger, achieve food security and improve nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture (room11)***

Co-Moderators: Ms Francesca Dalla Valle, Youth Employment and Institutional Partnerships Specialist, Economic and Social Development Department, UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO); Ms Julia Raavad, Social Affairs Officer, UN Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

- ***Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages (room 12)***

Moderator: Ms. Marie Hauerslev, Vice-President for External Affairs, International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (IFMSA)

- ***Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls (room B)***

Moderator: Ms. Allyson Humphrey, Youth Partnership Analyst, UN Women

- ***Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation (room F)***

Moderator: Mr. Matteo Landi, Industrial Development and Youth Entrepreneurship Expert, UNIDO

- ***Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development (room E)***

Moderator: Ms. Mara Murillo, UNEP New York Office



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4.30 PM – 6 PM

PLENARY SESSION

Location: Trusteeship Council Chamber

Reporting on the outcome of the breakout sessions by the moderators of these sessions

Role of technology in implementing the SDGs

Moderator: Mr. Erhardt Graeff, PhD Researcher, Center for Civic Media, MIT Media Lab

- Ms. Zain Habboo, Senior Director for Digital and Multimedia Strategy, UN Foundation
- Mr. James Powell, U-Report Global Lead, UNICEF
- Ms. Zoe Carletide, U-Report Manager, World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts
- Mr. Jake Horowitz, Founder of MIC and Young Leader for the Sustainable Development Goals
- Ms. Nevena Vukasinovic, Secretary General for the Organisation Européenne Non-Gouvernementale des Sports (ENGSO), Belgrade Initiative for Digital and Public Diplomacy- UN MGCY Science Policy Interface Platform.

Interactive Discussion

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9:30 AM – 10:50 AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS *on key regional priorities for youth development, as follows:*

To be effective, global action must rely on strong mobilization at the regional level. The regional breakout sessions will address development needs that are specific to regional contexts and consider how best to articulate action at that level in support of global objectives.

- ***Africa*** (room 12)

Co-Moderators: Ms. Francine Muyumba, President, Pan African Youth Union



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- **Europe, North America and other States** (room E)

Co-Moderators: Mr. Dejan Bojanic, Vice-President, European Youth Forum; and Mr. Rui Gomes, Education and Training Division, Youth Department, Council of Europe

- **Latin America and the Caribbean** (Trusteeship Council Chamber)

Co-Moderators: Mr. Max Trejo, Secretary-General, Ibero-American Youth Organization; Mr. Luis Viguria, Chief Executive Officer, Young Americas Business Trust, Organization of American States; and Mr. Tijani Christian, Chairperson, Caribbean Regional Youth Council

- **Asia and the Pacific** (room 11)

Co-Moderators: Mr. Marco Roncarati, Social Affairs Officer, Social Development Division, UNESCAP; Mr. Kishva Ambigapathy, Chair, Commonwealth Youth Council; and Ms. Tarusila Bradburgh, Coordinator, Pacific Youth Council Secretariat

- **Arab region** (room B)

Moderator: Ms. Kawtar Zerouali, Manager, Mosharka Project, United Nations Development Programme - Jordan

11 AM – 1 PM

PLENARY SESSION

Location: Trusteeship Council Chamber

11 AM – 11:30 AM

Reporting on the breakout sessions on regional priorities for youth

11:30 AM – 1 PM

Youth engagement in eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity: Voices from the field

Initiatives taken by youth often drive social change and inspire all members of society. This session will showcase innovative youth led activities that support the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. Actions taken by marginalized groups, in difficult



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contexts, will be highlighted. The roundtable will also discuss how such initiatives can be replicated in other contexts to contribute to a global momentum around our common quest for poverty eradication and a more prosperous world.

Moderator: Ms. Noella Richard, Youth Global Programme Manager, UNDP

- H.E. Ms. Horne Solveig, Minister of Children, Equality and Social Inclusion, Norway
- Mr. Juan Carlos Reyes, Colombia Joven Director
- Mr. Christopher Eigeland, UN Youth Delegate from Australia
- Mr. Ma-umba Mabilia, Director, Education and Youth, Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie
- Ms. Sadhani Rajapakse, Mental Health in Emergencies Officer, World Health Organization
- Ms. Amira Khallouf, Founder, Syrian Social Innovators-UN MGCY

Interactive Discussion

3:00 – 5:30 PM

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Location: Trusteeship Council Chamber

Interactive Roundtable on Means of Implementation and Financing for Youth Development, featuring Ministers and other High-Level speakers

Promoting development policies in support of and driven by youth requires funding. This roundtable will address the financial and other means that are needed to implement the 2030 Agenda with a view to contribute to youth development and reach the goals and targets contained therein.

Moderator: Ms. Katherine Ellis, Director of Youth Affairs, Commonwealth Secretariat

Opening remarks by Mr. Werner Faymann, Special Envoy on Youth Employment



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Interactive Discussion, featuring Ministerial participation, Parliamentarians, Civil Society, and International Institutions

5:30 PM – 6 PM

CLOSING SESSION

Closing Remarks by:

- Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, DESA
- Ms. Helen Clark, Chair, United Nations Development Group
- Ms. Ivana Ilić, General Secretary, YMCA Europe, ICMYO
- Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth
- H.E. Mr. Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava, President of ECOSOC

- **SDG Media Zone.** An SDG Media Zone will be organized during the ECOSOC Youth Forum. It is a platform for editors, bloggers, content creators and influencers to communicate innovations, partnerships and discussions as a call to action for humanity to engage in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. Details can be accessed at: <http://sdgmediazone.org/ecosoc/>
- **Side Events:** A series of side events will also be organized during the ECOSOC Youth Forum 2017. Details can be accessed at: <http://bit.ly/2jg0fVn>