

United Nations Peacebuilding Commission

Strategic Action Plan on youth and peacebuilding

In follow up to the PBC's regular engagement on youth, peace and security, a number of Member States have proposed, for PBC Ambassadors' consideration, the development of a Strategic Action **Plan** to help guide and monitor the Commission's efforts in support of the critical role of young women and men in peacebuilding. At the PBC ambassadorial-level meeting on youth, peace and security on 11 February 2020, the Commission committed to doing more to mainstream youth considerations into its work, in line with the twin resolutions¹ as well as SC resolutions 2250 (2015), 2419 (2018) and 2535 (2020), as well as by considering the recommendations of the Independent Progress Study on youth, peace and security "The Missing Peace". The Plan, presented below, may serve as a checklist to contribute to consistent, coherent, follow-up by the Commission, taking also into consideration SC resolution 2325 (2020) which welcomed the PBC's increased engagement in support of youth and encouraged the Commission to continue to support the important peacebuilding role that young people play and to bring its observations and advice to the attention of the Security Council, as appropriate.

FOCUS AREA	CORE ACTIONS	INDICATORS ²
<p>1: PBC supports and advocates for greater youth engagement in peacebuilding, in countries and regions considered by PBC</p>	<p>Task 1a: Advocate for and help strengthen the important role of youth and youth-led organizations in peacebuilding initiatives</p> <p>Task 1b: PBC conducts consultations with youth during country-specific, regional, and thematic meetings and field visits, as appropriate</p> <p>Task 1c: Support efforts by countries under PBC consideration to promote the role of youth in peacebuilding in their respective national strategies and plans. This includes sharing good practices in capacity-building, innovative dialogue platforms, workshops, model events and youth group activities, as well as good practices in new technologies as tools that contribute to the meaningful participation of young people in peacebuilding initiatives</p>	<p>Indicator 1a: # of relevant PBC outcome documents that advocate for strengthened engagement with youth and youth-led organizations</p> <p>Indicator 1b: Percentage of PBC ambassadorial-level meetings and visits that include engagement with youth representative(s), in line with the principle of national ownership]</p> <p>Indicator 1c: Percentage of ambassadorial-level PBC country/region-specific and thematic meetings (including on WPS) highlighting youth-related issues and innovative approaches</p>
<p>2: PBC provides advice to the Security Council, General Assembly, and ECOSOC, that is</p>	<p>Task 2: Provide strategic advice and briefings to the Security Council, General Assembly, and ECOSOC, as appropriate, on the role of youth in peacebuilding</p>	<p>Indicator 2: Percentage of PBC advice and briefings to the Security Council, General Assembly, and ECOSOC (written, oral and informal) that</p>

¹ Resolutions on the 2015 Review of the United Nations peacebuilding architecture (A/RES/70/262 and S/RES/2282 (2016)).

² All indicators to be gender disaggregated. 2021 will be taken as baseline year.

timely, clear and operational, on the role of youth in peacebuilding, as appropriate		contain analysis and recommendations in support of youth in peacebuilding
3: PBC promotes the role of youth in peacebuilding in its bridging efforts with other relevant UN bodies	Task 3: Explore the scope for greater cooperation with the General Assembly and ECOSOC in support of the role of youth in peacebuilding and development initiatives	Indicator 3: Percentage of total joint ECOSOC-PBC and GA/PBC events/activities that highlight youth related issues
4: PBC promotes meaningful participation of youth in peacebuilding in its partnerships with IFIs, regional and sub-regional organizations	Task 4: Explore the scope for greater cooperation with IFIs and regional/sub-regional organizations in support of the role of youth in peacebuilding and development initiatives	Indicator 4: Percentage of the total number of collaborative PBC engagements with IFIs and regional/sub-regional organizations that highlight relevant youth issues
5: PBC assesses progress on implementation of the strategic action plan to help advance the role of youth in peacebuilding	Task 5: PBC reports annually on the status of the strategic action plan on youth and peacebuilding and convenes annual meeting.	Indicator 5: PBC reports through its annual report and holds an annual meeting to assess PBC engagement in support of the role of youth in peacebuilding.