



New York, 4 January 2023

## Excellency,

Reference is made to the letter dated 18 October 2022 from the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Csaba Kőrösi, informing Member States of his decision to appoint us as co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations on to lead the Summit of the Future during the 77<sup>th</sup> Session.

Since this appointment, we have taken the time to listen extensively to the preliminary expectations of Member States and have used the platform of the General Committee to share our intentions on how we intend to carry out our mandate.

As co-facilitators, we aspire to undertake broad consultations in an open and transparent manner, and taking into consideration the views of the broadest possible spectrum of stakeholders. Furthermore, we strive to ensure alignment with all processes that are co-dependent on our facilitated track and we endeavour to work closely with the co-facilitators of those processes. This, we hope, will support Member States to concurrently leverage the work of these processes and participate comprehensively. We will also seize the opportunity of the meetings of the General Committee to update Member States on our work and coordinate with other relevant processes.

On 14 February – following the next briefing by the Secretary General on 13 February – we intend to embark on our engagements with Member States and present our proposal for a Roadmap throughout the 77<sup>th</sup> Session towards the preparatory Ministerial Meeting for the Summit of the Future foreseen in September 2023.

Member States are kindly invited to this informal consultation on 14 February 2023 between 10am-1pm in the General Assembly Hall.

This initial informal consultation meeting will be followed by subsequent informal consultations, as per the schedule still to be finalised with the Office of the President of the General Assembly for their coordination with the tracks under the auspices of other co-facilitators.

As Member States may be aware, the Secretary General will release a series of policy briefs on possible tracks until summer 2023. Together with the recommendations of the High Level Advisory Board on Effective Multilateralism, these policy briefs, will be integral to our work. The policy briefs build on the series of broad consultations on "Our Common Agenda" as facilitated with the Membership by the President of the General Assembly during the 76<sup>th</sup> session.

Without limiting our work to the scope of the policy briefs and the recommendations, we encourage Member States to reflect on their substance as a basis for our engagements.

We recognise the Ministerial Meeting in September 2023 as an opportunity to address several contemporary and emerging issues and count on the work of Member States to help us deliver substantive and meaningful deliberations. For this reason, we strive to maintain open lines of communication and avail ourselves to engage with all Member States on the substantive issues.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Sincerely,

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