



New York, 18th July 2023

Excellency,

We are honored to have been appointed as co-facilitators to continue the process for the Declaration on Future Generations in the 77th Session of the General Assembly as part of the preparations for the Summit of the Future. In this regard, we are pleased to submit to you an Issues Paper, which reflects the work undertaken to advance this process in the past year and presents a set of Guiding Principles for the Declaration on the Future Generations.

Inputs for this Issues Paper were gathered through a process of three dialogues with Member States and relevant stakeholders, as well as a series of regional and group consultations. This document is therefore not the outcome of an intergovernmental negotiation process. Rather, it is a live document intended to serve as guiding principles for the negotiations on the Declaration on Future Generations during the 78th Session, taking into consideration commitments made by Member States within the context of the SDG Summit and the Summit of the Future Ministerial Meeting in September 2023.

During the final informal consultations convened on 12th July 2023, Member States provided their feedback on the Guiding Principles for the Declaration on Future Generations, the upcoming negotiating process in general, and the means by which both could be enhanced substantively and pragmatically. We look forward to sharing these proposals, in due course, for consideration by the co-facilitators to be appointed by the President of the General Assembly for the 78th Session.

We remain grateful to you for the opportunity to have led this important process to date.

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

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