



Informal Interactive Dialogue on the Implementation of the Pact for the Future

Thursday, 17 July 2025, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Trusteeship Council Chamber, UN Headquarters

The Pact for the Future – Looking ahead to 2028

Concept Note

The President of the General Assembly will convene a series of informal dialogues to advance the implementation of the Pact for the Future. The dialogues are being convened as a platform for Member States to exchange views, share best practices and ideas as they further implementation efforts and lay the groundwork necessary for the review of the Pact in 2028

Background

The Pact for the Future and its annexes emphasize the importance of advancing the implementation through relevant mandated intergovernmental processes, where they exist. The High-Level review at the Heads of State and Government level in 2028 will assess the overall progress in implementing the Pact.

The 2027 high-level review of the Global Digital Compact and the 2028 high-level plenary meeting on Future Generations will draw on the Secretary-General's progress reports.

The preparatory process should consider alignment with existing and upcoming intergovernmental processes, including the 2025 Peacebuilding Architecture Review, the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development, and the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) +20 Review, the high-level meeting on the thirtieth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women (Beijing+30), the high-level plenary meeting to commemorate the Thirtieth Anniversary of the World Programme of Action on Youth and the World Social Summit.

The political will embodied in the Pact for the Future should also drive progress in key intergovernmental forums and processes, including the World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Trade Organization (WTO), and the Group of 20 (G20).

While implementation efforts of the Pact for the Future are underway, it is essential to lay the groundwork for the 2028 review and actions needed for its success. Situating ongoing efforts within the context of this high-level review will ensure that progress is both impactful, measurable and aligned with the Pact's transformative vision.

Further, the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, convening under the auspices of the General Assembly in September 2027, will assess progress towards the 2030 Agenda and its follow-up. As a strategically timed milestone, the outcomes of the 2027 SDG Summit should be meaningfully reflected in and inform the 2028 review process.

The success of the 2028 review will depend on effective and timely implementation, reporting frameworks to assess progress and challenges and alignment with global agendas. These factors will drive actionable outcomes from the Pact process and accelerate progress toward the SDGs as the 2030 deadline approaches.

Objectives:

This dialogue aims to provide a platform for Member States to deliberate on the design and preparation of the 2028 review of the Pact. The dialogue will seek views on how the review process can be shaped, considering its possible structure and reporting frameworks, and how it can be aligned with other intergovernmental frameworks to ensure coherence and efficiency.

The informal dialogue aims to provide a platform for Member States to exchange ideas and share practices on future review process. Discussion will center on:

- Exploring options for the structure and format of the 2028 review.
- Alignment and coherence with existing intergovernmental processes.
- Strengthening collaboration among relevant stakeholders to deliver actionable outcomes.

Guiding questions:

- 1. What key elements should define the structure and scope of the 2028 review to ensure it is both comprehensive and impactful?
- 2. How can we ensure that the 2028 review is designed to align with and complement existing intergovernmental processes, maximizing synergies and avoiding duplication?
- 3. How can we leverage the outcomes of preceding review processes to strengthen collaboration and coordination, ensuring that the 2028 review delivers actionable outcomes while fast-tracking the Sustainable Development Goals?

Format

The informal interactive dialogue will take place in-person on 17 July 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber at the United Nations Headquarters in New York and will be webcast on UN Web Tv.

The informal interactive dialogue will comprise an opening segment, a plenary segment and a closing segment. The meeting will be open to Member States and Observers of the General Assembly, the United Nations system and ECOSOC -accredited non-governmental organizations.

Outcome

The President of the General Assembly will circulate an informal summary of the informal interactive dialogue.
