

Preparing for 8 Billion People

A UN DESA Global Policy Dialogue

Thursday, 20 October 2022, 8:30-10 a.m. EDT

Programme

Introduction (5 minutes)

- **Samme Allen**, Moderator

Video (5 minutes)

- **“World of 8 Billion People”**

Panel 1: Fertility, reproductive health and the SDGs (25 minutes)

- **Anastasia Gage**, Professor at the Department of International Health and Sustainable Development, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Tulane University, and member of the UN High-level Advisory Board on Economic and Social Affairs
- **Michael Herrmann**, Senior Adviser, Economics and Demography, UNFPA

Panel 2: Maximizing the demographic dividend to support economic growth in the Global South (28 minutes)

- **Alex Ezeh**, Professor of Global Health in the Department of Community Health and Prevention at the Dornsife School of Public Health, Drexel University, and member of the UN High-level Advisory Board on Economic and Social Affairs
- **Kawita Niwatananun**, National Project Coordinator, ILO Youth Project
- **Joshua Alade**, Executive Director, Nigeria Youth SDGs Network

Panel 3: Increased life expectancy and preparing to support an older population (25 minutes)

- **Andrew Scott**, Professor of Economics, London Business School, and co-founder of The Longevity Forum
- **Karoline Schmid**, Chief, Fertility and Population Ageing Section, Population Division, UN DESA

Wrap-up (2 minutes)

- **Moderator**