



77th UN General Assembly High-level Week

With the recognition that the world is at a critical moment in the history of the United Nations due to complex and interconnected crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, humanitarian challenges of unprecedented nature, a tipping point in climate change as well as growing concerns about threats to the global economy, the 77th UN General Assembly will convene under the theme, 'A Watershed Moment: Transformative Solutions to Interlocking Challenges'.

The General Assembly's opening will underscore the need to find and focus on joint solutions to these crises and build a more sustainable and resilient world for all and for future generations.

In addition to the General Debate, this year's meeting will kick off with the Transforming Education Summit, convened by the UN Secretary-General to mobilise solidarity and solutions, reimagine education for the future and reignite global efforts to deliver the education-related SDGs by 2030.

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WHY DOES IT MATTER?

- The Summit is being convened in response to a **global crisis in education** one of equity and inclusion, quality and relevance.
- Often slow and unseen, this crisis is having a devastating impact on the futures of children and youth worldwide with progress towards the education-related SDGs significantly off track.
- If unaddressed, its negative impacts on our collective pursuit of peace, justice, human rights and sustainable development will be felt for decades to come.

OBJECTIVES

The Summit seeks to mobilize political ambition, action, solutions and solidarity to transform education:

- to take stock of efforts to recover pandemic-related learning losses;
- to reimagine education systems for the world of today and tomorrow; and
- to **revitalize** national and global efforts to achieve Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4: "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all".

FORMAT AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- The Transforming Education Summit will be held during the High-Level Week in-person. The event will be preceded by a two-day segment focused on youth and solutions on Friday, 16 and Saturday, 17 September to scale up global support and action. The meeting will also be streamed live on UN Web TV and accessible to all.
- The event will be opened by the UN Secretary-General, with a mix of Heads of State statements, thematic debates and high-profile special guests.
- Outcomes will include a Youth Declaration, a Vision Statement by the UN Secretary-General and a Chair's Summary, as well as commitments from Member States.

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