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# Tuesday, February 28, 2023 - 1PM-3PM, EST On Our Virtual Platform

The NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY together with our partner organizations are proud to support this dialogue. We have youth leaders from different regions sharing their concerns, along with their concepts and initiatives that are impacting positive change. With commitments to achieve access to affordable quality education and inclusive gender balanced economic opportunities. By working in partnership we can build secure safe environments with Cultures of Peace in all communities. We will share info on the new UN Youth Office and the upcoming Global Future Forum. The UN 17 SDGs are important to achieve the success of the UN2030 Sustainable Development Agenda to "Leave No One Behind."

### Welcome & Moderator

Margo LaZaro, President & Chair of NGOCSD-NY & Director of UN Relations for Global Family, Convener
of the NGO/MG Urban Cluster, Adviser & UN Rep of Young For a Better World-Montessori MUN

#### **Opening Reflections**

• Juan Pablo Celis Garcia, Youth Programme Coordinator of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in Nairobi, Kenya

#### Keynote Reflections

 Daniel del Valle Blanco, Diplomat, Political and Youth Advisor, Permanent Missions of the Sovereign Order of Malta and Slovakia to the United Nations in New York

#### Co-Facilitators

- Rosario del Pilar Diaz Garavito, Founder & Executive Director of The Millennials Movement, and a SDGs Activist from Peru
- Ali Mustafa, Consultant on United Nations Relations, AFS Intercultural Programs, Advisor to Youth Representative Steering Committee UN Department of Global Communications

# Actions for Our Sustainable Future

- Cherinet Hariffo, 20-year-old, President and Founder of Youth for SDG 2030 from Ethiopia
- Farwa Aamer, Research Analyst with the Stimson Center's Energy, Water, & Sustainability Program
- Ishaan Shah, 19-year-old Youth Leader and Founding Director of Stolen Dreams, and Co-Founder of the Youth for FreedomCollective in the UK
- Irene Nakabugo, Youth Representative of Humanitarian Focus Foundation in Uganda & an Ambassador of the Institute of Public Policy and Diplomacy Research.in Uganda
- Julia Sora Wykoff, 17-year old, Founder & CEO of Zeal Cares, a Social Entrepreneur & NGOCSD-NY Youth Representative from Houston, Texas
- Alexa Mazzamuto, 17-year-old ,Youth Leader & Advocate for Cancer Awareness & Prevention from Long Island, NY
- Sharehan Alwakily 20-year-old, Bedouin Student Activist and Delegate of Debate for Peace from Israel
- Amrita Gautam, Civil Engineer Doctoral Researcher at TH Koeln, Germany, Founder of drinkPani, Nepal
- Anke de Boer, Special Assistant to the Secretary-General at the Global Alliance for a Sustainable Planet from the Netherlands
- Sofía Bermúdez, Student-Youth Representative of the UNESCO SDG4Youth Network & Coordinator of the Youth Track for the Global Futures Forum from Argentina

# **Overview Reflections**

- Dr. Andrise Bass, President and Founder of Humanitarian Focus Foundation, Vice President of ASPAFrique & Vice Chair of the NGOCSD-NY Executive Board
- Steven Aiello, Founder & Director of Debate for Peace in Israel & NGOCSD-NY Executive Board Member
   Interactive Dialogue Exchange

<u>Partners</u>: NGOCSD-NY, PVBLIC Foundation, Coalition for the UN We Need, SDG Relief Fund, Global Alliance for a Sustainable Planet, The Stimson Center, NGO/MG Urban Cluster, The Millennials Movement, RecycleGO, Global Family, Youth for a Better World-MMUN, Zonta International, Humanitarian Focus Foundation, Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission, Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, Perkins-Eastman, Global Urban Development, Huairou Commission, General Assembly of Partners, Global Family for Love & Peace, Debate for Peace, Together First, ICW, GNEC, CoNGO & UNA-USA Council of Organizations.