



Education and Academia Stakeholder Group

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MGoS Coordination Mechanism

- Introduced: at the **UN Conference on Environment and Development** („Earth Summit“ in Rio de Janeiro 1992)
- Paragraphs 42 to 55 of the **Rio+20 outcome document “The Future We Want,”** explicitly involving (MGoS) in all matters relating to the UN and Sustainable Development
- Confirmed: UNGA Resolution 67/290: Format and Organizational Aspects of the HLPF:

„MGoS were integral to the development and adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, actively working towards its implementation, projects, initiatives, advocacy, knowledge-sharing, and monitoring of the 2030 Agenda.“

(Resolution 67/290)- MGoS are allowed to:

- (a) To attend all official meetings of the forum;
- (b) To have access to all official information and documents;
- (c) To intervene in official meetings;
- (d) To submit documents and present written and oral contributions;
- (e) To make recommendations;
- (f) To organize side events and round tables, in cooperation with Member States and the Secretariat;

Major groups and Other Stakeholders

1. Africa Regional Mechanism
2. Asia Pacific Regional CSO Engagement Mechanism
3. Business & Industry Major Group
4. Financing for Development Group
5. ECE Regional CS Engagement Mechanism
6. Education & Academia Stakeholder Group
7. Farmers' Major Group
8. Indigenous Peoples' Major Group
9. LGBTI Stakeholder Group
10. Local Authorities' Major Group
11. Major Group for Children & Youth
12. NGO Major Group
13. Persons with Disabilities Stakeholder Group
14. Science & Technology Major Group
15. Sendai Engagement Mechanism
16. SG for Communities Discriminated on Work and Descent
17. Stakeholder Group on Ageing
18. Together 2030
19. Volunteers Stakeholder Group
20. Women's Major Group
21. Workers & Trade Union Major Group

What is MGoS Coordination Mechanism doing?

The CM works to ensure broad, open, transparent and inclusive participation in the HLPF; ensure that the rights of access and inclusive participation of MGoS in the HLPF are protected and upheld as mandated by 67/290 and potentially expanded; and facilitate the coordination among, and promote the participation of, all stakeholders that are involved in the HLPF process and want to contribute to it, including organizations and groups that are not part of the CM, to ensure the broadest participation possible.



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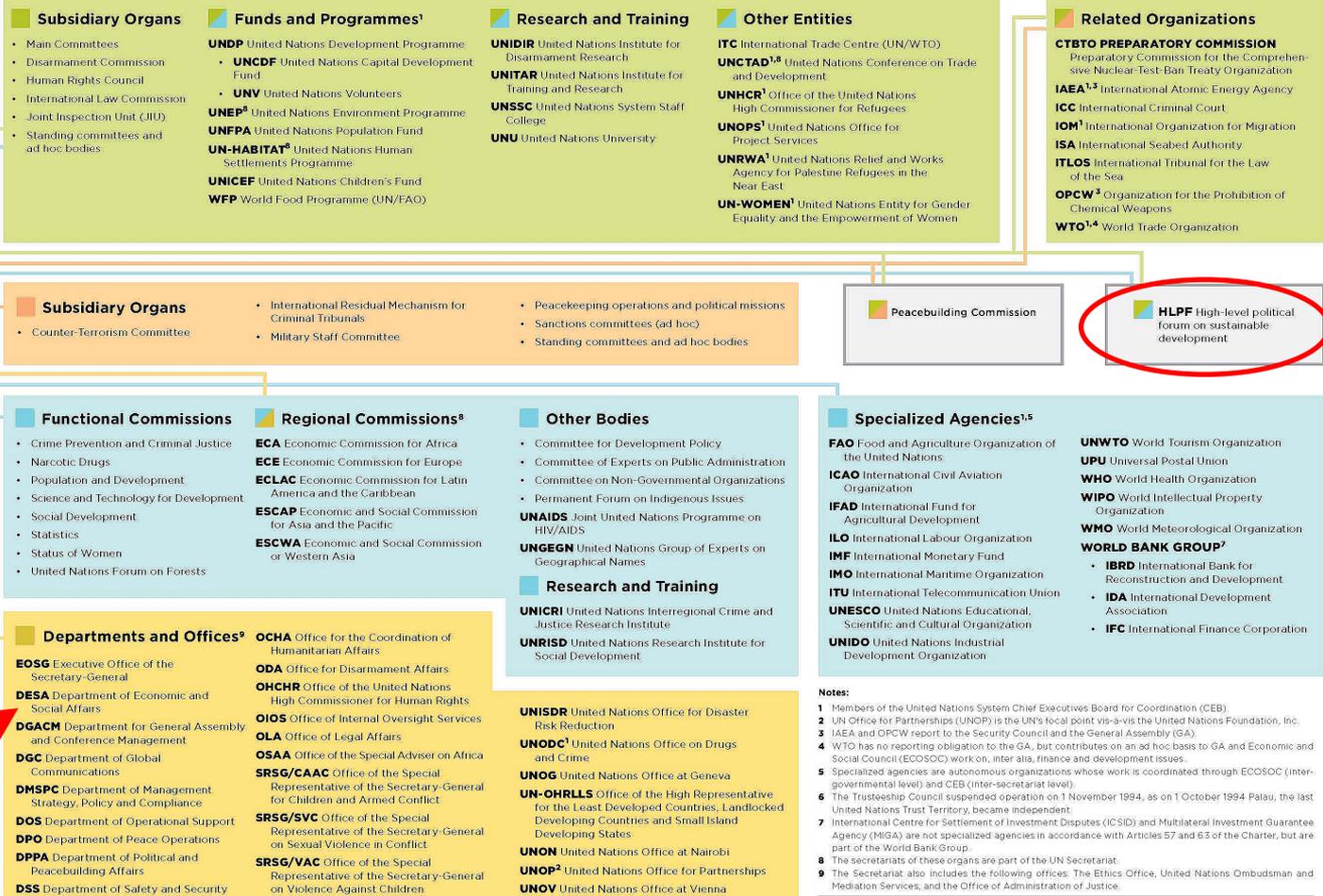
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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

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INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL⁶



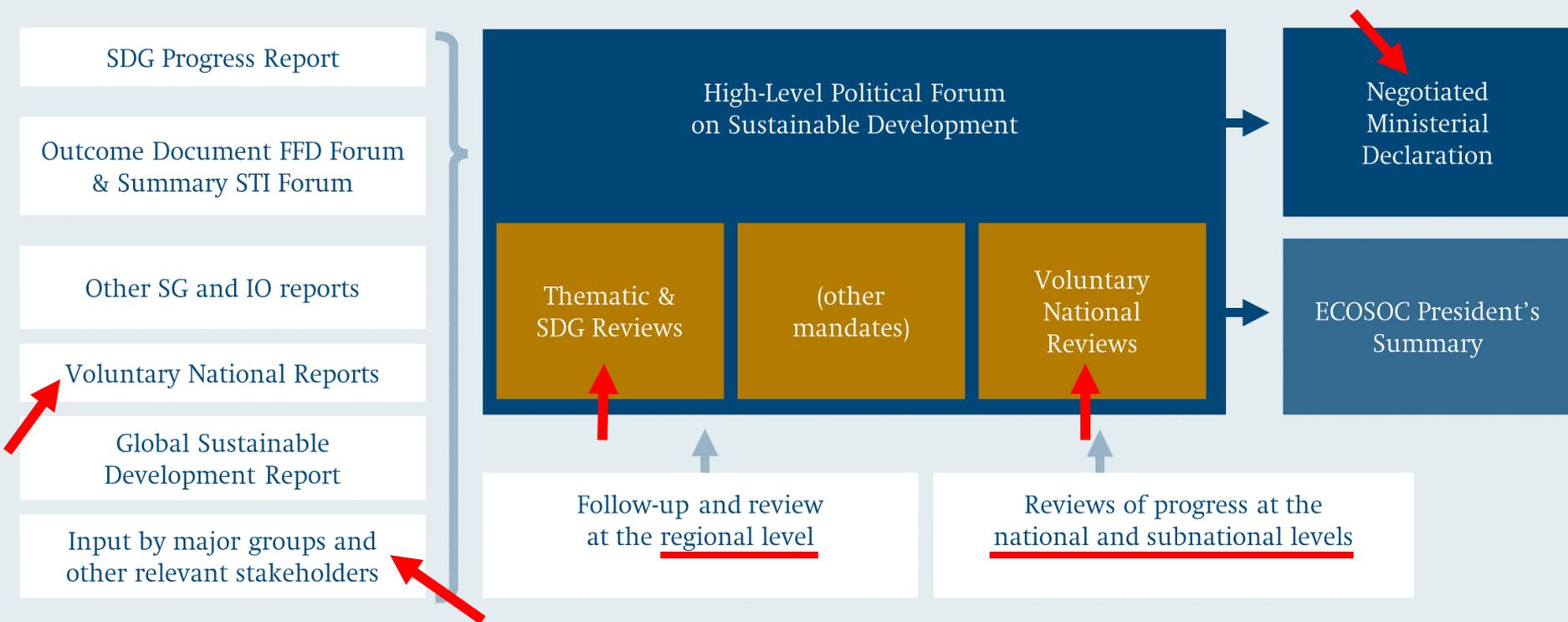
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Notes:

- Members of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB).
- UN Office for Partnerships (UNOP) is the UN's focal point vis-à-vis the United Nations Foundation, Inc.
- IAEA and OPCW report to the Security Council and the General Assembly (GA).
- WTO has no reporting obligation to the GA, but contributes on an ad hoc basis to GA and Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) work on, inter alia, finance and development issues.
- Specialized agencies are autonomous organizations whose work is coordinated through ECOSOC (inter-governmental level) and CEB (inter-secretariat level).
- The Trusteeship Council suspended operation on 1 November 1994, as on 1 October 1994 Palau, the last United Nations Trust Territory, became independent.
- International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) are not specialized agencies in accordance with Articles 57 and 63 of the Charter, but are part of the World Bank Group.
- The secretariats of these organs are part of the UN Secretariat.
- The Secretariat also includes the following offices: The Ethics Office, United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, and the Office of Administration of Justice.

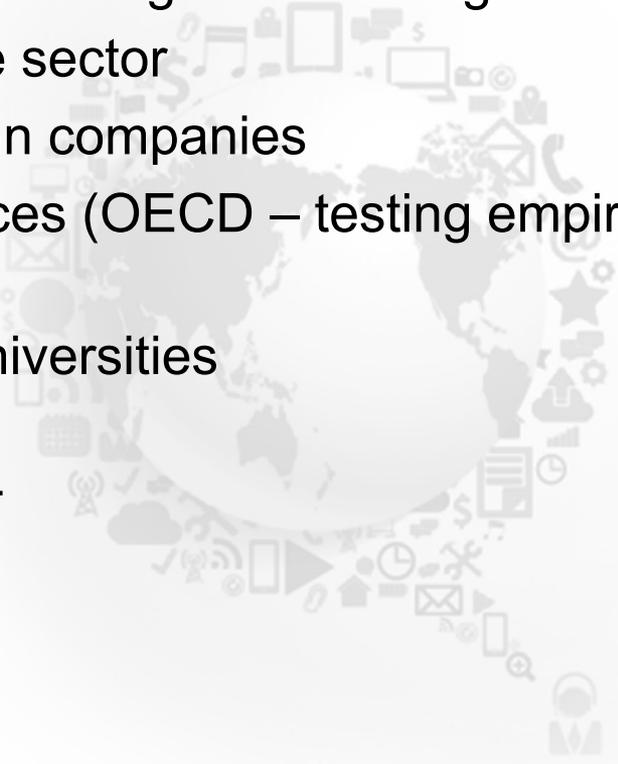
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Key challenges for civil society participation in HLPF

- Financial, administrative and formal problems (information, communication, time lines, deadlines...)
- Crisis of multilateralism
- Shrinking spaces for civil society
 - Decreased role of civil society in many Member States
 - Decreased role of civil society in UN vs - Increased private and corporate influences on UN, the dominance of neoliberal discourse
- Private, corporate and philanthropic influences on UN
- Liquidity crisis
- Avoiding focus on systemic, underlying issues and structural problems
- Tokenism!!

Education and lifelong learning

- Education as a human right – declining concept
 - Influence of private sector
 - The role of ed-tech companies
 - Neoliberal discourses (OECD – testing empire; World Bank – outcome based approach)
 - Changed role of universities
 - Focus on skills
 - Dominance of VET
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Possibilities for engagement





**HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM
ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda and
eradicating poverty in times of multiple
crises: the effective delivery of
sustainable, resilient and innovative
solutions**

**HLPF 2024: thematic reviews, voluntary national reviews, VNR labs
three-day ministerial segment, ECOSOC high-level segment**

SDGs under review:

1. NO POVERTY

2. ZERO HUNGER

13. CLIMATE ACTION

**16. PEACE, JUSTICE & STRONG
INSTITUTIONS**

**17. PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE
GOALS**

EASG relevant events I

- Morning meetings of CM MGOS – 8.30, Room F
- Voluntary National Reviews (both weeks) + VNR labs
- SDGs Learning, Training & Practice (SDGs in Practice)
Esp:
 - 11. July, 10:00 AM - 01:00 PM, ECOSOC Chamber,
Special Event on Transforming Education
- EASG side-event: Building peace, justice and strong institutions through education, 10 July, 13:15 - 14:30 CR F
- UNESCO exhibition “LLL for all – Empowering individuals, transforming societies”, South Wall of the UN Secretariat building (starting on Thursday afternoon)
- „Perspectives from MGOS: Partnerships for transformative and urgent actions“, 12. July 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM, CR 4,

EASG relevant events II

- Side event GPE and ASPBAE: Advancing Climate Action Through Education, 15 July, 13:15 - 14:30, Baha'i International Community UN Office, 866 UN Plaza, Suite 120
- Higher Education Sustainability Initiative (HESI) Global Forum 2024: The Future of Higher Education for Sustainable Development, 15 July, 3:00, PM - 06:00 PM, CR 1
- Side event: SDG 18-Ethnic-Racial Equality in the 2030 Agenda: the Brazilian experience for the construction of a new SDG, 16 July, 13:15 - 14:30 CR 7
- MGOS Caucus, 16 July, 09:00- 17:00 CR F
- Side event: SDG4 & SDG16: Addressing hate-speech through education for more inclusive and peaceful societies, 9:30, virtual Catesco...
- Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration Conclusion of the HLPF, 05:00 PM - 06:00 PM, 17 July, CR 4
- Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration Conclusion of the High- Level Segment, 18 July, 05:00 PM - 06:00 PM, ECOSOC Chamber