



CONCEPT NOTE

Event Title: SDG Localization by Child and Youth Human Rights Defenders in Latin America.

Proponent: Institute for Development and Human Rights (*Instituto de Desenvolvimento e Direitos Humanos - IDDH*)

Date: July 11th, 2024

Time: 1 - 2 pm

Location: UNFPA HQ, 605 3rd Ave, New York, NY 10158

Registration: To register, send your complete name, organization, document (passport) number and email address to poleduc@campanhaeducacao.org.br by 08 July 2024.

Background:

In 2024, Brazil and other Latin American States, such as Honduras will undergo a Voluntary National Review at the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) in New York. Side-events, organized by Member States, the UN system, Intergovernmental Organizations, Major Groups, and other stakeholders, will be held on the margins of the 2024 HLPF under the auspices of ECOSOC. These events provide an opportunity to deepen discussions on the theme and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) under review, including the localization of SDGs, and to engage various stakeholders in spreading awareness of the 2030 Agenda.

Event Description:

In partnership with the Brazilian Campaign for the Right to Education and Gestos - Soropositividade, Comunicação e Gênero, the Instituto de Desenvolvimento e Direitos Humanos - IDDH proposes a parallel event titled "SDG Localization by Child and Youth Human Rights Defenders in Latin America" to be held during the 2024 HLPF side-events. This event aims to exchange best practices and strategies for localizing the SDGs in Brazil, mainly focusing on SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDG 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions), through the perspectives and efforts of child and youth human rights defenders.

General objective: Highlight the role of child and youth human rights defenders as key actors in achieving the 2030 Agenda, emphasizing the importance of multilevel governance arrangements and the involvement of local governments in localizing and achieving the SDGs.

Objectives:

- Present the Spotlight report to equip children and youth with updated data on implementing the 2030 Agenda in Brazil, enabling them to take action in localizing SDGs;
- Descriptions of experiences already conducted with children and youth in localizing SDGs and activities that will be carried out to localize SDGs by children



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and youth in Latin American territories, especially in Brazil, Argentina and Honduras;

- Exchange best practices and strategies for localizing the SDGs, specifically focusing on SDG 13 and SDG 16.
- Highlight the 5th phase of the United Nations World Programme on Human Rights Education (WPHRE - 2025-2030) and the challenges and perspectives to include diverse groups, such as Indigenous peoples, Afro-descendants, quilombolas, women, persons with disabilities, and the LGBTQIA+ community, in SDG localization efforts.
- Emphasize the importance of multilevel governance arrangements and the involvement of local governments in implementing and achieving the SDGs.
- Align with the UNDP's approach to SDG localization, emphasizing a 'whole of government' and a 'whole of society' approach, with a central focus on children and youth defenders.
- Following the 30-Year Review of the Implementation of the Programme of Action of the ICPD, with a growing understanding of the importance and significance of human-centered sustainable development, set the stage for a recommitment to the ICPD agenda and positioning for the post-2030 population and development agenda.

Audience:

The event invites child and youth defenders, civil society organizations, teachers and academia, government representatives, and other stakeholders interested in SDG localization efforts in Latin America.

Format:

The event will consist of panel discussions and networking opportunities, allowing participants to exchange meaningful ideas and experiences.

Program:

Welcome remarks: UNFPA's representative

Introduction to the SDG localization and the Brazilian Spotlight report as a tool for

HRD: Alessandra Nilo, Gestos

Human Rights Education for Child and Youth leadership: Fernanda Lapa, IDDH

Child and Youth HRD advocating for the SDGs from their territories:

Brazil: Andressa Pellanda, Brazilian Campaign for the Right to Education

Argentina: CLADE's representative

Honduras: CLADE's representative

Children and Youth from 3 countries share their perspectives on audiovisual platforms.

Mediation: Andressa Pellanda

Organizers:

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