Global Online Dialogue Series
"Navigating uncertainties: An intergenerational dialogue on COVID-19 and youth employment"
Tuesday, 29 September 2020, 9:30-10:40 a.m. EDT

Programme

Moderator

Ms. Lyanne Alfaro, Supervising Producer and Social Media Content Director, Nasdaq

Introductory remarks

Mr. Jeph Acheampong (Ghana) is the founder of Blossom Academy, which recruits and develops African data science talent. He is also affiliated with the Global Initiative on Decent Jobs for Youth led by the International Labour Organization.

Roundtable 1: Protecting and strengthening youth employment during COVID-19

Professor Anastasia Gage, Professor at Tulane University's School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine; member of the UN High-level Advisory Board on Economic and Social Affairs

Ms. Mbuki Mburu (Kenya), Public Policy and Youth Development Advocate & Project Lead of Jenga Hustle, a jobs-related policy initiative

Ms. Nolundi S Luthuli (South Africa), Managing Director, iSeluleko Youth Leadership Development Forum, a project registered with UN DESA's SDG Acceleration Action database

Professor Saúl Zenteno-Bueno (Mexico), Professor in the Social Sciences and Humanities Division at Tecnológico de Monterrey Campus Chiapas

Dr. Alexandre Kalache (Brazil), President of the International Longevity Center

Roundtable 2: Considering entrepreneurship in a tough job market

Ms. Chmba Ellen Chilemba (Malawi), Founder and CEO of Tiwale, a youth-led community based organization empowering women

Mr. Krishna Gautam (Nepal), Director of Ageing Nepal

Mr. Emeka Nwachinemere (Nigeria), Founder and CEO of Kitovo Technology; selected enterprise in the UN's 2020 Science, Technology and Innovation Forum Innovators Challenge

Ms. Waziha Raquib (Bangladesh/Malaysia), Co-founder of Neeti, a youth advocacy network

Ms. Marija Vasileva-Blazev, Special Advisor to the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy on Youth

Concluding remarks

Mr. Elliott Harris, UN Chief Economist and UN DESA Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development