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Excellency,

The recently convened informal consultation with major groups and other stakeholders (hereafter referred to as: Stakeholders) on the preparatory process for the Summit of the Future, which took place on 15 February 2023, unveiled important input for our intergovernmental process and will certainly enrich debates and decision-making among Member States on what should constitute key elements for the Summit of the Future.

During the meeting, we outlined our proposed roadmap for a series of informal consultations, along with the policy briefs expected to be released by the Secretary-General over the first half of 2023. We consider dedicated consultations on the policy briefs to provide important input to our broader discussions on the scope and potential outcomes of the Summit of the Future. On 9 March, the Secretary-General is expected to publish his first policy brief and to provide a briefing to Member States on his proposal to **strengthen the international response to complex global shocks through an Emergency Platform**.

In this regard, we have the honor to **invite representatives of Stakeholders to a virtual consultation on 16 March 2023, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**. The aim of this consultation will be to hear the views of Stakeholders on the proposal for an Emergency Platform and to provide first impressions for the afternoon consultation with Member States. EOSG will also attend the meeting and introduce the Policy Brief.

Stakeholders will be encouraged to share their specific assessments on an Emergency Platform. Interventions will be limited to two minutes in order to provide for maximum participation.

We propose the identical guiding questions as for Member States:

- What lessons can we learn from recent complex global shocks (e.g. COVID-19, global cost of living crisis 2022) to strengthen the international response to crises with large-scale multidimensional, multi-sectoral impacts?
- What role should the United Nations play in such crises? How can we better leverage the UN's unique convening power to tackle complex global crises?

- How can we ensure any new proposal, such as the establishment of an emergency platform, can support and bolster the work of both intergovernmental organs and specialized agencies that respond to emergencies?

We kindly request Member States to share this letter with relevant Stakeholders in their respective country. In order to ensure transparency and collective ownership, Member State delegations are kindly invited to join the meeting to hear the reflections of Stakeholders.

Stakeholders interested to participate in the above-mentioned consultation are asked to register via the following [link](#) (or QR code below). Member States and Observers do not need to register, they will receive the link via e-deleGATE.

A link to the virtual room will be shared with registered participants before the event. During the meeting, the Secretariat will indicate in the chat box how connected Stakeholders can inscribe on the list of speakers.

We recognize the Ministerial Meeting in September 2023 as an opportunity to address several contemporary and emerging issues and count on the work of Stakeholders to help us therewith identifying the potential scope of the Summit of the Future

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Sincerely,



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