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Preparatory Process for the Summit of the Future
Presentation of the Zero Draft of the Pact for the Future
Engagement of Major Groups and other Stakeholders and Civil Society

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We would like to thank Major Groups and other Stakeholders (MGoS), along with representatives from civil society organizations, academia and the private sector, for their active participation in the virtual consultation on 13 December 2023. We express our gratitude for the nearly 500 written inputs we have received, reflecting a wealth of perspectives and insights. All relevant inputs will be made available for review on the Summit of the Future [website](#) to inform member state delegations and the interested public.

In addition to the inputs received from Member States, your valuable contributions, both written and oral, have assisted us in the development of the zero draft for the Pact for the Future, which can be accessed on the [website](#). We believe that the text should serve as a strong starting point for the intergovernmental deliberations this year, with the ultimate aim of adopting an ambitious, concise, action-oriented Pact by consensus before the Summit of the Future on 22-23 September 2024, in accordance with resolution 76/307. In developing this draft, we adhered to the structure set out in the scope decision (77/568) and were further guided by Rev.3 of the draft decision. We have sought to balance the broad range of priorities, while recognizing that we could not include every issue raised during the consultations or in the written submissions.

The presentation of the zero draft of the Pact for the Future on Monday, 29 January 2024, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. will be webcast via UN Web TV. After the presentation of the co-facilitators, Member States and Observer delegations are invited to make a short general statement. We strongly encourage representatives of MGoS and civil society to follow the presentation of the zero draft on UN Web TV. The presentation of the zero draft will be followed by closed informal consultations with Member States, starting 6 February.

To maintain an open and transparent preparatory process, we are **inviting representatives of MGoS and civil society to a virtual consultation on 21 February 2024, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** The goal of this consultation is to give MGoS and civil society representatives the opportunity to share their feedback on the zero draft of the Pact for the Future.

To ensure a structured, equitable, and effective participation, the following **sequence of speakers** will be observed:

1. Co-Chairs of the Coordination Mechanism of Major Groups and other Stakeholders (MGoS) (max. 5 minutes)
2. Representatives of individual MGoS, civil society coalitions and groups (max. 3 minutes each)
3. Representatives of individual NGOs, expert groups, private sector and other stakeholders (max. 2 minutes).

We kindly **request Member States to share this letter with relevant civil society groups and stakeholders** in their respective country. In order to ensure transparency and collective ownership, we **invite Member State and Observer delegations to join the meeting on 21 February** to hear the reflections of MGoS and civil society representatives. There is no registration required for Member States and Observers, who will receive the link via e-deleGATE.

MGoS and civil society representatives interested in participating in the consultation are asked to **register via this link** (see also QR code below). 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.

In addition to the consultation, we also invite MGoS and civil society representatives to **submit written input to the zero draft of the Pact for the Future by 12 February**. This option will be available in the coming days via the Summit of the Future [website](#). The call for inputs will be sent to all the participants registered for this and the previous consultations on the Summit of the Future.

Furthermore, we would like to inform you that preparations are advancing for the **UN Civil Society Conference**, scheduled to take place on **9 and 10 May 2024 in Nairobi**, with a focus on the Summit of the Future.

We anticipate that these opportunities for engagement, in addition to initiatives taken by the Secretary-General, the President of the General Assembly as well as the independent initiatives already proactively undertaken by numerous MGoS, civil society, youth and other organizations in support of the Summit, will enable meaningful contributions to both the preparations for the Summit and the Summit itself.

Once again, we express our sincere gratitude to all delegations, MGoS, and civil society, for entrusting us with their confidence and support, and their valuable contributions as we **work together towards achieving an ambitious outcome for the Summit of the Future**.

Sincerely,



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Scan this QR code to register for the virtual consultation on 21 February, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

