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## UN-NGLS REPORTING

### [Interview with Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, Recently Appointed Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples](#)



After the 13th session of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, UN-NGLS interviewed Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, the recently appointed Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, on her priorities as Special Rapporteur and her reflections on the outcomes of the Permanent Forum.

To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [Interview with Anita Amorim, ILO Senior External Relations Specialist, on South-South and Triangular Cooperation and its role in the Post-2015 Development Agenda](#)



In this interview, Anita Amorim, ILO, explains the role of South-South and Triangular Cooperation in promoting economic and social development, including decent work, as well as infusing new approaches in international development cooperation.

To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [President of the General Assembly Convenes Interactive Dialogue on Elements for a Post-2015 Monitoring and Accountability Framework](#)

On 1 May, this Interactive Dialogue hosted by the President of the General Assembly drew attention the importance of developing an appropriate framework to hold governments and other stakeholders accountable for the effective implementation of the next development agenda.



To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [GA Thematic Debate: Culture Deserves Recognition in the Post-2015 Agenda](#)

On 5 May, the UN General Assembly held a Thematic Debate on Culture and Sustainable Development. This event featured a High-level Segment in which ministers from over 20 countries presented their positions, and a thematic interactive panel discussion on "The power of culture for poverty eradication and sustainable development."



To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#)

## [Open Working Group on SDGs conducts its 11th session in May; OWG12 taking place from 16–20 June](#)



The Open Working Group (OWG) held its 11th session from 5–9 May at UN Headquarters in New York. According to the Programme of Work, this was the third negotiating session after the OWG concluded its year-long "stocktaking" phase in February, and meant to strengthen focus areas and targets.

To read the UN–NGLS article, please click [here](#).

## [World Conference on Youth 2014 focuses on mainstreaming youth in the Post–2015 Development Agenda](#)



From 6–10 May, the World Conference on Youth 2014 (WCY) took place in Colombo, Sri Lanka with a focus on "mainstreaming youth in the post–2015 development agenda." This event brought together over 1,500 young people from over 145 countries (including over 350 from marginalized backgrounds), representatives of Member States, including 28 Ministers of Youth, UN officials, representatives of international and regional organizations, academics, corporate leaders and other relevant stakeholders to discuss the youth agenda for the post–2015 processes.

To read the UN–NGLS article, please click [here](#).

## [Implementation of the Post–2015 Development Agenda Requires North–South, South–South & Triangular Cooperation, as well as ICT for Development, High–level Event concludes](#)

On 21–22 May, the President of the General Assembly hosted a two–day High–level Event at UN Headquarters, which brought to the fore that development cooperation, including South–South, North–South and Triangular Cooperation, and ICTs are necessary to revolutionize implementation for the post–2015 development agenda.



To read the UN–NGLS article, please click [here](#).

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## [GA High–level Meeting: "Achieving Poverty Eradication through Full Employment and Decent Work for All in the Post–2015 Development Agenda"](#)

On 23 May, the UN General Assembly organized a High-Level Meeting on the theme "Achieving Poverty Eradication through Full Employment and Decent Work for all in the Post-2015 Development Agenda." The meeting included a half-day plenary session in the morning, and a high-level interactive, multi-stakeholder panel discussion in the afternoon. Participants concluded that growth-driven quality jobs are key to reducing poverty post-2015.



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To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [Third multi-stakeholder dialogue with the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing](#)



The third multi-stakeholder dialogue with the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing was held on 12 May in the context of the Committee's fourth session. The dialogue was structured around five framing questions prepared by the steering committee of non-state actors that focused on a number of topics, ranging from reform in financial governance to the use of human rights to guide a

sustainable development strategy.

To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [50 Years of UNCTAD: A Celebration - 16-20 June](#)



To celebrate its 50th anniversary, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) has planned a series of commemorative events that will take place from 16-20 June 2014 in Geneva, including the Third Geneva Dialogue and the Public Symposium, amongst others.

To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [30 June - 11 July: UN High-level Political Forum \(HLPF\) on Sustainable Development, followed by ECOSOC Annual Ministerial Review and Development Cooperation Forum](#)



The Second Meeting of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) and the first to be held under the auspices of ECOSOC, will be held from 30 June to 9 July with evening meetings on 30 June and 1 July. The ministerial meeting of the Forum will be held from 7 - 9 July 2014. This will be followed by the ECOSOC Annual Ministerial Review (AMR) from 8 - 9 July, and the Development Cooperation Forum (DCF) from 10 - 11 July.

To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

### [Small Islands Developing States \(SIDS\) Conference Update](#)

The preparatory process leading to the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States that will take

place in Samoa from 1–4 September is well under way. A final PrepCom will take place from 23–27 June at UN Headquarters, and a Pre-Conference Major Groups and other Stakeholders Forum will take place in Samoa on 28 August. A Major Groups and other Stakeholders steering committee is tasked with preparations and outreach.



To read the UN-NGLS article, please click [here](#).

## VIEWS FROM CIVIL SOCIETY

### [From the World Conference on Youth to the World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction \(DRR\): The Youth Movement on DRR is Building](#)



In this joint opinion piece, four youth leaders map out the growing mobilization of youth on disaster risk reduction (DRR), climate change and environmental protection, as well as youth-centred urbanization in the post-2015 processes and in the lead up to the Third World Conference on Disaster Reduction.

To read the opinion piece, please click [here](#).

## OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE

### [UNDG e-Discussion on "Partnerships with Civil Society" – Inputs received by 20 June will be Delivered to High-level Political Forum](#)

The second meeting of the High-level Political Forum (HLPF) will include a session on Means of Implementation for Sustainable Development on 30 June. One subject under discussion during this session will be: "What can trigger new partnerships and voluntary commitments, and what can make them successful in advancing economic, social and environmental progress?" UNDG invites your inputs on this question via an e-Discussion on "Partnerships with Civil Society" [here](#). Inputs received by 20 June will be synthesized and delivered to Member States at the HLPF meeting.

Additional e-Discussion questions aim at identifying good practices and concrete recommendations for successful government/civil society partnerships. All responses will feed into a UNDG global report and the Secretary-General's synthesis report of recommendations for the post-2015 development agenda, expected in November. This e-Discussion is co-led by UN-NGLS, UN Volunteers, UN Population Fund (UNFPA), and UN Millennium Campaign.

### [OHCHR calls for civil society contributions on discrimination against women in family and cultural life](#)

Participants are invited to send their submissions to [wgdiscriminationwomen@ohchr.org](mailto:wgdiscriminationwomen@ohchr.org) before 31 July 2014.



## [E-discussion: Make financial markets work for women](#)

UN Women and Oxford University are co-hosting an e-discussion on "Make financial markets work for women," consisting of four separate discussion threads: (1) Women's access to financial services and products; (2) Women's financial literacy and skills; (3) Women's employment in the finance sector; and (4) Measuring the gender impact. Contribute [here](#) until 6 June 2014.

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN NEW YORK

Please click on an event title to access more information.

### [4 June Side Event on the Technology Facilitation Mechanism: "Technology Access and Assessment – The Trillion Dollar Challenge"](#)

On the occasion of Structured Dialogue 3 on the Technology Facilitation Mechanism (TFM) convened by the President of the General Assembly on 4 June, the UN Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS) and ETC Group, an international civil society organization specializing in technology issues, are conducting a side event on the subject. Speakers include Mr. Mohammed Khalil, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and Mr. Renzo Tomellini from the European Commission's Directorate-General for Research & Innovation. Lunch will be provided. Please see the invitation for the event [here](#), and the flyer [here](#).

### [President of the General Assembly's Summer Concert at UNHQ](#)

6 June 2014 – Performing artists from the world over will take the stage at United Nations Headquarters for a unique concert hosted by the President of the General Assembly (PGA). This event will shine a spotlight on the enormous significance of the year 2015: a once-in-a-generation opportunity to set the world on a sustainable course, and will celebrate the significant role artists play in informing and engaging people in positive change. On stage will be several artists from the Caribbean, the PGA's home region, including the iconic zouk band Kassav', and soca artists David Rudder, Machel Montano and others. Artists from other regions include the band Lalon from Bangladesh, and former child soldier and rapper Emmanuel Jal from South Sudan. The concert will be web cast live at <http://webtv.un.org>. The press release and programme are available [here](#).

### [Sustainable Energy For All Forum](#)

4–6 June 2014, Programme is available [here](#).

### [Seventh Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities](#)

10–12 June 2014, Draft programme is available [here](#).

### [Final Preparatory Committee Meeting for the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States](#)

23–27 June 2014 – PrepCom at UN Headquarters; the Conference takes place from 1–4 September in Apia, Samoa. Information about registration and activities for Major Groups and other Stakeholders is available [here](#).

### [ECOSOC High-Level Political Forum, Annual Ministerial Review, and Development Cooperation Forum](#)

30 June – 9 July, Draft integrated programme is available [here](#).

### [65th Annual UN DPI/NGO Conference](#)

27–29 August 2014, Register by 13 August 2014 [here](#).

## Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals (OWGs on SDGs)

### [Twelfth Session of the OWG on SDGs](#)

16–20 June 2014 – The Zero Draft of proposed SDGs has just been released, along with a letter from the Co-Chairs. Both are available [here](#).

### [Thirteenth session of the OWG on SDGs](#)

14–18 July 2014

## 68th General Assembly – Key Post-2015 Events

### [Structured Dialogue #3 on "Possible arrangements for a facilitation mechanism to promote the development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technologies"](#)

4 June 2014

### [President of the General Assembly's High-level Event on "Human Rights and the Rule of Law in the Post-2015 Development Agenda"](#)

9–10 June 2014

### [Thematic Debate on Human Security and the Post-2015 Development Agenda](#)

18 June 2014

### [Informal Interactive Hearing on Non-Communicable Diseases \(NCDs\)](#)

19 June 2014

### [High-level Thematic Debate on the Promotion of Investment in Africa and its Catalytic Role in Achieving Africa's Development Objectives, including those of NEPAD](#)

17 July 2014

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN GENEVA

Please click on an event title to access more information.

### [103rd Session of the International Labour Conference](#)

28 May – 12 June 2014, Agenda is available [here](#).

### [UNCTAD Public Symposium on "A Better World Economic Order for Equality and Sustainable Development Post-2015"](#)

18–19 June 2014, organized in collaboration with UN-NGLS

### [26th Regular Session of the Human Rights Council](#)

10 – 27 June 2014

[7th session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples \(EMRIP\)](#)

7 – 11 July 2014

[The first session of the Preparatory Committee \(PrepCom 1\) of the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction](#)

14–15 July 2014

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN NAIROBI

Please click on the event title to access more information.

[United Nations Environment Assembly](#)

23 – 27 June 2014; Nairobi, Kenya

Please visit the UNEA website [here](#).

## UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS

Please click on a regional commission to access its calendar of events.

[Economic Commission for Africa \(ECA\)](#)

[Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific \(ESCAP\)](#)

[Economic Commission for Europe \(ECE\)](#)

[Economic Commission for Latin America \(ECLAC\)](#)

[Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia \(ESCWA\)](#)

Readers are invited to submit feedback on the 2015 Post to [info@un-ngls.org](mailto:info@un-ngls.org).

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