Global Solutions Initiative
Press Kit: Looking ahead to Global Solutions Summit 2020
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About and current focus
Following the successful completion of the G20 Japanese Presidency, Saudi Arabia will assume the G20 presidency for the first time on December 1, 2019. The handover signals the official start of the 2020 G20 calendar and the beginning of activities by various G20 engagement groups, including the Think20, the G20’s research and policy-advice network.

The Global Solutions Initiative is a global collaborative enterprise that proposes policy responses to major global problems addressed by the G20, the G7 and other global governance fora. In addition to addressing key global challenges, leading research organizations, including members of the Global Solutions Initiative’s Council for Global Problem-Solving, will examine and contribute to the priorities set by the Saudi Think20 Secretariat.

The policy recommendations and strategic visions are elaborated on in policy dialogues between researchers, policymakers, business leaders and civil society representatives at the Global Solutions Summit on April 20-21, 2020 in Berlin, Germany. The program and speakers of the Global Solutions Summit 2020 will be presented from January 2020. Registration and media accreditation is already possible here.

Young Global Changers program 2020
The Global Solutions Initiative is currently in the process of inviting young researchers, entrepreneurs and non-profit leaders to apply to the Young Global Changers program.

The program brings together young people from around the world, who are engaged in different areas of society and actively pushing for change in their communities. Successful applicants from academia, business and civil society will receive a full scholarship to participate at the Global Solutions Summer School and the Global Solutions Summit from April 17-22,2020. The application deadline is December 1, 2019. The participants of the Young Global Changers Program 2020 and their projects will be presented in mid-February 2020.

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Commentaries of the Global Solutions Initiative

From United Nations to United Societies [28/11/2019]

Commentary by Dennis J. Snower, President of the Global Solutions Initiative, on the G20 presidential change, which looks back at the Japanese presidency, looks ahead to the coming presidency and highlights successes and challenges for multilateralism.

G20 Osaka Progress on International Trade [via G20 Insights Platform, 18/07/2019]

According to widespread reports on the G20 Osaka Summit in the media, the G20 achieved little if anything on international trade. This impression is seriously misleading and unconstructive, explains Global Solutions President Prof. Dennis J. Snower.

Digital Governance through the G20 Osaka Leader’s Declaration [via G20 Insights Platform, 02/09/2019]

The principles outlined by the G20 Osaka Leader’s Declaration are an important first step in addressing the major challenges that artificial intelligence poses for societal wellbeing. G20 Japan 2019 set the groundwork for a digitally enhanced human-centered society through the G20 member nations and beyond, writes Global Solutions President Prof. Dennis J. Snower.

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G20 Panel at the Global Solutions Summit 2019 “The Future of Multilateralism”

left to right: Lars-Hendrik Röller [G20 Sherpa Germany], Amrita Narlikar [GIGA], Homi Kharas [Brookings Institution], Pedro Villagra Delgado [Sherpa for Argentine at the G20], Jean Pisani-Ferry [Hertie School] and H.E. Fahad Almubarak [G20 Sherpa Saudi Arabia]

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