



UN Global Dialogue Initiative: Young Voices on the Future of Multilateralism

PRESS RELEASE, 20.10.2020 – On October 23rd 2020, the global policy network [Global Solutions Initiative](#) and New York-based [1014](#) are hosting a unique, youth-led online event on the future of multilateralism. Youth advocates and young voices from around the world will take part in an [online debate](#). Amongst the young panellists are climate activist Magdalena Hess (**Fridays For Future**), Aniqah Zowmi (Youth Representative and Lead Author for **UNESCO #YouthWagingPeace** Guide), Radha Kulkarni (**UNICEF** on behalf of Young UN: Agents for Change) and Enyseh Teimory (**UNA-UK** and the **Together First** campaign).

Fabrizio Hochschild-Drummond, **UN Special Adviser to the Secretary-General**, will give the opening keynote. Minister of State Niels Annen of the **German Federal Foreign Office**, María Elena Agüero, **Secretary General of the Club de Madrid**, Robert Malley, **CEO & President of the International Crisis Group** and Ambassador Christoph Heusgen, the **Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations**, will provide input statements. The event will be moderated by Ali Aslan, international TV host and journalist. The event is part of the ongoing [UN global dialogue initiative, UN75](#), and is facilitated by the [Young Global Changers](#), a group of young policy thinkers and innovators from around the world.

We cordially invite to join this live online event:

Young Voices on the Future of Multilateralism

23rd October 2020, 4:00 – 5:30 PM CET

Live Online Debate

More information and registration:

<https://www.global-solutions-initiative.org/young-global-changers/registration-multilateralism/>

“Multilateralism is under fire, precisely when we need it most”. This 2018 statement by UN Secretary António General Guterres seems more pressing now than ever before. Guterres underlined this in his message to the [Global Solutions Summit](#) earlier this year, by stating that “now more than ever, multilateralism and coordinated international action are paramount”.

The Covid-19 pandemic, an escalating climate crisis and protracted conflicts around the world underscore the exceptional urgency for more global coordination, multilateral solutions and the recoupling of economic, ecological and social wellbeing. Yet, today’s global order is marked by an increased reliance on unilateralism and zero-sum calculations. Major international climate and security agreements are in jeopardy and put our planet and the future of younger generations at risk.

How can we transform the future of multilateralism? What role can and should the United Nations play? And how do younger generations envision this path? These questions will be at the heart of the debate.



Full line-up:

Keynote:

Fabrizio Hochschild-Drummond, UN Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Preparations for the Commemoration of the United Nations' 75th Anniversary

Young Panel Speakers:

- Magdalena Hess, Fridays For Future
- Radha Kulkarni, Young UN: Agents for Change and UNICEF
- Enyseh Teimory, Together First campaign, UNA-UK
- Aniqah Zowmi, Director at Leading Change Canada and Lead Author UNESCO #YouthWagingPeace

Input by:

- Maria Elena Agüero, Secretary General, Club de Madrid
- Niels Annen, Minister of State, German Federal Foreign Office
- Ambassador Christoph Heusgen, Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations
- Robert Malley, CEO, International Crisis Group

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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. The policy recommendations and strategic visions are generated through a disciplined research program by leading research organizations, elaborated in policy dialogues between researchers, policymakers, business leaders and civil society representatives

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About the Young Global Changers

The Young Global Changers are students, young academics, young professionals, entrepreneurs and non-profit leaders from around the world who are developing and implementing ideas to bring about positive change to recouple economic, ecologic, technologic and social progress – whether at the global, regional or local level. Each year, the Global Solutions Initiative invites these inspiring young talents from around the globe to attend a comprehensive program to become part of a growing global network. Since 2017, the Young Global Changers program has attracted over 350 students and young professionals from more than 110 different countries.

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