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CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

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ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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ECE-RC EM Civil Society Forum 2024

Info

Date	12 March 2024
Where	Room XIX in the E-building, Palais des Nations, UN, Geneva (and self-organised livestream, so not fully hybrid)
Registration (in-person)	https://indico.un.org/event/1009658/
Registration (online)	https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlqduGuqzguG9GNrG-uEPWIRG1zLUbtjIMC

Agenda

08:30 – 09:30	Registration, coffee and networking	
09:30 – 10:00	Briefing on the Summit of the Future (SOFT) Moderator: Marianne Haslegrave Informal meeting open to CSO and MS	Expected outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gain clearer understanding about Summit of the Future,• Preparing for the session with UN agencies later
10:00 – 11:00	Introduction and orientation Moderator: Anna Salnikova <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome by RCEM - go through agenda and solidarity principles for engagement• Ice-breaker• About ECE-RCEM - Hanna Gunnarsson, Women Engage for a Common Future• Opening address - Tatiana Molcean, Executive Secretary UNECE• Agenda setting - key points from Member Mobilization Meeting• Setting common expectations for the meeting	Expected outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clarity on the process• Networking• Building solidarity
11:00 – 12:00	Same or different? – Session on VNRs from our region Ensuring civil society engagement in national VNR processes Moderator: Valentina Bodrug-Lungu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Armenia - Anna Barikyan• Austria - intervention is welcomed• Azerbaijan - Lala Safarli, SARA Movement• Georgia - Sopiko Babalashvili, CENN• Spain - intervention is welcomed	Expected outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reporting on the situation on VNR preparation and CSO engagement

<p>12:00 – 13:00</p>	<p>Summit of the Future: how to make voices of civil society heard</p> <p>Interactive session where civil society will get to hear from UN Agencies what they currently are doing to support civil society in getting their messages across.</p> <p>Moderator: Marianne Haslegrave</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Guy Ryder Under-Secretary-General for Policy ● Belén Sanz UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia ● Christina Behrendt, International Labour Organisation (ILO) Head Social Policy Unity ● Marta Diavolova United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Regional Advisor, Strategic Partnerships ● Wondwosen Asnake Kibret UN Environment Program (UNEP) Policy and Partnerships Coordinator, Europe Office 	<p>Expected outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Networking opportunity with UN Agencies ● Building stronger allyship between civil society and UN Agencies
<p>13:00 – 15:00</p>	<p>Lunch, networking and side events</p>	
<p>15:00 – 16:30</p>	<p>Session on SDGs under review</p> <p>Reflecting on the peer roundtables based on key points from the Member Mobilization Meeting.</p> <p>Moderator: Hanna Gunnarson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SDG 1. No Poverty - TBC ● SDG 2. No Hunger - Sopiko Babalashvili ● SDG 13. Climate Action - TBC ● SDG 16. Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions - TBC ● SDG 17 Partnerships for the SDGs -TBC 	<p>Expected outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Forming joint recommendations, reflecting our wide expertise, to be used by civil society during the peer-learning tables.

<p>16:30 – 17:30</p>	<p>Combining priorities Interactive preparatory group session with Forum participants</p> <p>Moderator: Nelya Rakhimova</p> <p>Combining policy input and drafting our interventions and statements</p>	<p>Expected outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating advocacy statements with Youth delegates • Selecting Speakers
<p>17:30 – 18:00</p>	<p>Closing session – What’s next?</p> <p>Moderator: Hanna Gunnarsson</p>	<p>Expected outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select speakers for the RFSD • Resolve any outstanding uncertainties
<p>18:00</p>	<p>End</p>	