



“Shaping Asia CSOs’ position for the Summit of the Future (SoTF) 2024”

In-Person Side Event: 11th Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development

Date and time: February 21, 11.30 – 12.45 (GMT+)

Venue: Room-A, UNESCAP Building, Bangkok

Organizer:

Global Call to Action Against Poverty

Co-organizer(s):

Coalition for UN We Need, Asia Civil Society partnership for Sustainable Development

Registration:

To register for this side event, please use this link:

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Background:

Considered a “once-in-a-generation opportunity” to address inequities in global governance and reset international cooperation, the Summit of the Future (SoTF) will be a cornerstone among a series of high-level UN meetings in 2024. The Summit will be held on 22-23 September 2024 where the members have agreed towards the adoption of ‘A Pact for the Future’. This side event will discuss the importance of the SoTF for the Agenda 2030 and to critically evaluate its agenda through the lens of Asian civil society and come up with policy recommendations and action plans based on the analysis of the various policy briefs. The major focus of CSO recommendations will be on poverty eradication (SDG 1), Zero Hunger (SDG 2), reducing inequalities (SDG 10), climate justice (SDG 13), global peace (SDG 16) and global partnership (SDG 17). It will look at the recommendations through the prism of most marginalised groups.



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Key Questions and Outcomes:

[Please provide 3-4 key questions that will be guiding this side event and its expected outcomes. Please do not exceed 200 words]

This side event will examine the following key guiding questions:

1. Based on the results of the SDG summit, the Summit of the Future needs to bring concrete commitments for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. What are the key recommendations of the CSOs towards it on reducing poverty, hunger, inequality, address climate crisis and bring global pace and strength global partnership ?
2. How to facilitate bringing in the issues of the marginalised communities into 'A Pact for the Future'

Programme:

Moderation: Pradeep Baishakha, Asia Coordinator, Global Call to Action Against Poverty

Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana, Executive Secretary, ESCAP	Keynote Address	9 min 11:35 – 11:45
Interactive discussion and Q&A		1 min 11:45-11:46
Speakers		
Beckie Malay, C4UN	Introduction to SoTF: objectives and scope of involvement of CSOs	9 min 11:46 – 11:55
Arjun Bhattarai, NGO Federation of Nepal	CSOs' effort to address poverty in Nepal	10 min 11:55 – 12:05
Anselmo Lee, APSD Coordinator	Draft recommendations from CSOs to SoTF from previous discussions	15 min 12:05 – 12:20
Inputs from the floor		12.20 – 12.40
Abdul Awal, NRDS, Bangladesh	Closing remarks and thank giving	5 min 12:40 – 12:45

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