



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

77th UNGA High-Level Side Event

on Social Business, Youth and Technology

September 22 - 25, 2022

The High-Level Event will be hosted by the Government of France, the Government of Nigeria, The Government of Cabo Verde and the Global Committee on Social Business for Sustainable Development Goals, co-curated by

Yunus Centre, Bangladesh; Yunus+You the YY Foundation, Germany; Youthink Center, China; Yunus Thailand



BACKGROUND

Coronavirus - Sustained struggle and adaptation

- In this year, national governments have continuously adjusted their response according to the trend of epidemic, seeking further openness by continuously strengthening vaccination rates. However, the emergence of a new variant Omicron with high infection rate has posed a difficult problem to us.
- The January 2022 Global Economic Prospects pointed out that after the strong rebound of the global economy in 2021, due to the new threat posed by the variant strains of COVID-19, coupled with the increase in inflation, debt and income inequality, global economic growth is entering a period of slower growth.

Global Call to action for a human-centered recovery from COVID-19 crisis

- The COVID-19 crisis has caused losses in working hours, translating into increased unemployment, underemployment, inactivity and informality. Besides, it also brought new challenges in occupational health and safety and fundamental rights at work. Consequently, these issues exacerbated poverty as well as gender, economic and social inequality. This crisis has affected certain population groups and workers in specific sectors disproportionately, among whom women and young people were affected most. Various responses and recovery packages may also widen the gap between developed and developing countries, reversing the trend of global economic convergence.




3ZERO Club -- Create A World of Three Zeros

- The 3ZERO Club is an initiative towards achieving the Nobel Peace Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus's vision of creating a world of three zeros — zero net carbon emission, zero wealth concentration for ending poverty, and zero unemployment by unleashing entrepreneurship in all.
- This initiative of setting up a global network of 3ZERO Clubs is undertaken to make young people familiar with the goal of three zero world and ways to achieve this goal with the creative initiatives of young people. Each Club is a self-formed, self-contained mini-Club of five members with self-chosen tasks to play a role in creating a three zero world. Each Club empowers itself by connecting with other such Clubs, having a larger range of common features. The Clubs become exponentially powerful as they link themselves up with each other. This networking expedites, in a systematic way, the process of reaching the goal faster.

COP26 reaches consensus on key actions to address climate change

- The UN climate conference, COP26, took place in Glasgow last year and reaches several consensuses on key actions to address climate change.
- Under the UK presidency and with the support of the UNFCCC Secretariat, delegates forged agreements that strengthen ambition in the three pillars of collective climate action. Adaptation was the object of particular emphasis during the deliberations. Parties established a work programmed to define the global goal on adaptation, which will identify collective needs and solutions to the climate crisis already affecting many countries. The Santiago Network was further strengthened by elaborating its functions in support of countries to address and manage loss and damage. And the CMA approved the two registries for NDCs and Adaptation Communications, which serve as channels for information flowing towards the Global Stock take that is to take place every five years starting in 2023.
- Finance was extensively discussed throughout the session and there was consensus in the need to continue increasing support to developing countries. The call to at least double finance for adaptation was welcomed by the Parties. The duty to fulfill the pledge of providing 100 billion dollars annually from developed to developing countries was also reaffirmed. And a process to define the new global goal on finance was launched.
- On mitigation, the persistent gap in emissions has been clearly identified and Parties collectively agreed to work to reduce that gap and to ensure that the world continues to advance during the present decade, so that the rise in the average temperature is limited to 1.5 degrees. Parties are encouraged to strengthen their emissions reductions and to align their national climate action pledges with the Paris Agreement.
- The key outcome is the conclusion of the so-called Paris rulebook. An agreement was reached on the fundamental norms related to Article 6 on carbon markets,



which will make the Paris Agreement fully operational. This will give certainty and predictability to both market and non-market approaches in support of mitigation as well as adaptation. And the negotiations on the Enhanced Transparency Framework were also concluded, providing for agreed tables and formats to account and report for targets and emissions.



PARTICIPANTS

- Heads of States and Ministers
- UN agencies and International Organizations
- UN SDG Advocates
- Academic Leaders from Universities and Think Tanks
- Business, Social Business Leaders and Civil Societies
- Young Leaders, Innovators and SDG Corps from more than 110+ countries



PROGRAM AGENDA

September 22, 2022, 6pm – 8pm GMT+6 (Dhaka Time)

High-Level Opening and Keynotes [40 mins]

Moderator: Mr. Dominique V. Dauster, Global Committee on Social Business, Youth and Technology, Managing Director, Yunus&You - The YY Foundation

- **Hon. Ulisses Correia e Silva**, Prime Minister, The Government of Cape Verde
- **H.E. Sunday Dare**, Minister of Youth and Sports Development of the Federal Republic Nigeria
- **Dr. Pun-arj Chairatana**, Executive Director, National Innovation Agency, Kingdom of Thailand
- **The Government of China / France**

Keynote: Global Cooperation for building A World of Three Zeros

- **Professor Muhammad Yunus**, Nobel Peace Laureate, Chairman of Yunus Centre, Founder of Grameen Bank and UN SDG Advocate Alumni
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Take Urgent Action for Urgent Times [50 mins]

In the midst of a pandemic radically transforming our economies and societies, the Sustainable Development Goals as the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all, need to be implemented into concrete actions.

Moderator: Mr. Alex Wang, Global Committee on Social Business, Youth and Technology, President, Youthink Center

- 1 Social Business Entrepreneur
- The Economy of Francesco
- UN SDSN and Columbia University
- United Nations South-South Cooperation Office — Youth4South
- 1 Yunus Social Business Center
- 3Zero Club

September 23, 2022, 6pm – 8pm GMT+6 (Dhaka Time)

Social Business Actions for Sustainable Development Goals

Organized by Yunus Thailand, BRI Social Business Development Network, Global Committee on Social Business for Sustainable Development Goals and Youthink Center

- MC Opening (5mins)
 - Keynote Speech, Junior Achievement Worldwide (10 mins)
 - SB Deep Dive 1, Yunus Sports Hub (20 mins)
 - Audience Q&A (5 mins)
 - SB Deep Dive 2, Waste Hero Alliance (20 mins)
 - Audience Q&A (5 mins)
 - SB Deep Dive 3, Risq Food Bank, Pakistan (20 mins)
 - Audience Q&A (5 mins)
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- Experience and Youth Feedback, Sandro Calvani, Senior Adviser on Strategic Planning for the Mae Fah Luang Foundation (under Royal Patronage) and Rada Wiratyosin, Student Activist at Northeastern University, U.S. (20 mins)

September 24, 2022, 6pm – 8pm GMT+6 (Dhaka Time)

Social Business Education Innovation for Sustainable Future

Organized by Yunus Thailand, BRI Social Business Development Network, Global Committee on Social Business for Sustainable Development Goals and Youthink Center

- MC Opening (5 mins)
- Keynote Speaker, Alex Wang, YouthThink Center (5 mins)
- Keynote Speaker, Sukich Udindu, Executive Director, Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization Center for Sufficiency Economy Philosophy & Sustainability (10 mins)
- Panel 1: Brian Carraway, Waste Hero Circular Economy Education; Prof. Cynthia Liang, Sun Yat-sen University; Raymond Serios, Negros Womens for Tomorrow Foundation (30 mins)
- Audience Q&A (10 mins)
- Panel 2: Prof. Suraya Hanim Mokhtar, Albukhary International University; Prof. Jaime Duran Navarro, University of Cadiz; Prof. Pathareeya Lakpetch, National Institute of Development Administration Thailand (30 mins)
- Audience Q&A (10 mins)
- Experience and Youth Feedback, Dr. Faiz Shah, Executive Director, Yunus Center at the Asian Institute of Technology & President, Yunus Thailand and Celicia Cordes, Youth Activist (20 mins)

September 25, 2022, 6pm – 8pm GMT+6 (Dhaka Time)

Youth Actions for A World of equality and sustainability: The New Economics of Zero Poverty, Zero Unemployment, and Zero Net Carbon Emissions

Organized by SDG Corps, 3ZERO Club, Youth4Climate, Youth4SDG and Youthink Center



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