TOGETHER 2030

Notes

Facilitator: Margie

Participants: Arelys, Javier, Gomer, Busani, Margie

1. **Proposal updates**
   - Isabella shared brief to the CG by email previous to the call
   - Proposal is aligned to previous discussion
   - Gomer- currently working with New Castle University to map out civil society initiatives in the Philippines- this will help stir the discussions once proposal is approved Mapping exercise runs until the end of the month- it will build in momentum within the Philippines CSO platform as Philippines volunteered again for VNR in 2019.

2. **Secretariat transition/Updates and Work Plan**
   - Work plan was shared with CG as a pre read before the call. It was also reviewed with two co-chairs
   - A total of nine activities, being the most important ones:
   - Develop plan for the third anniversary
   - Prepare/launch activities report
   - Draft work plan for 2019
   - Resume communication with membership
   - Margie an Isabella will be in close coordination to avoid any duplications
   - Margie will also keep close communication with the CG and working closely with co-chairs
   - Javier- Very good moment on picking up and promote our work- important to have an open space in social media to promote our work over the last 3 years
   - Arelys- Focusing on third anniversary is a good moment to pick up pace and raise the profile.
   - Important to pull out some things into action plan for anniversary highlighting some of the reports and/or bring out something new-
   - UNGA statement summary/overview of the general debate of general assembly is a good opportunity. Important to continue to do this report. It can be release for the anniversary
   - Arelys shared that WV, SS and Cepei are participating in SG of Canada Consortium of NGOS that published the review of the VNRs last year. This group is planning to produce same report with 2018 VNRs. T2030 will be part of that review again. TORs will be sent to CG for inputs in due time.
   - Javier also shared that this report will include this year CS reporting.
   - Gomer suggested drafting a Comms plans to engage the membership in social – and also for members of the CG that have social media to repost an build into the lead up of the Anniversary.
   - Javier committed to assist with an analysis of UNGA statements for the LAC region in Spanish

- Busani suggested linking the celebration of the university with any activity focused on the 2019 review process.

3. **UNGA overview**
   - Arelys- This year from our objective perspective, it was a low-key UNGA regarding the SDGs. Less side events on SDGs- some of the ones convened wanted to bring momentum for next year particularly on SDG16- SDG day was a tiny moment in the GA. In general, for SDG low profile in the midst of over 300 events
   - Arelys- This may be because only 77 HoS attended. HL week was mostly focused on health related issues. Good amount of HoS were from Africa probably due to Mandela summit
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   - Javier- there were a good number of statements that did not reference the 2030 Agenda or SDGs. Clearly, it was not a key issue. Most prominent issues addressed were multilateralism and climate change. We may be losing the momentum for 2030 Agenda
   - Gomer suggested preparing a blog on missing 2030 Agenda as a missing piece on UNGA- Javier offered to prepare a blog and share with Arelys
   - Javier- on multilateralism. Important to consider Multilateralism in 2019. Perhaps to create synergy discussions on multilateralism and the A2030. How can we take advantage of discussion on multilateralism and maybe leverage discussion on A2030?

4. **Face to Face Meeting**
   - The group discuss preferences of possible dates for the 1 or 2 week of December:
     - Busani- 2nd week of December
     - Gomer- 1st week but flexible 2nd week
     - Arelys- either or
     - Javier- either or
   - Those that need visa letter invitations to let know JP
   - The group decided to continue the conversation via Whatsapp to agree on potential date in a fast manner

5. **AOB**
   - Next meeting on October 17

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