

Together 2030 Core Group (2017- 2019)

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Andrew Griffiths, [Sightsavers](#) (Global)

[Andrew Griffiths](#) is Head of Advocacy at Sightsavers. His work involves leading on Sightsavers' international advocacy priorities and supporting the development of effective advocacy in all Sightsavers Country Offices. Andrew leads a team of Global Advocacy Advisers and a UK-focused Parliamentary Adviser. Andrew is also on the Core Group of Together 2030, a civil society initiative promoting and tracking progress of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and was previously co-chair of the Beyond 2015 campaign from 2014-2016. Andrew's background is primarily in health policy and advocacy and he has worked in and with colleagues in countries around the world, including Uganda, Kenya, South Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sierra Leone, Peru and Afghanistan. He is published on a number of topics including nutrition in fragile states, reform of the World Health Organization and the SDGs. He has also worked with World Vision, the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and a UK Member of Parliament. He is based and works in the UK.



Arelys Bellorini, [World Vision](#) (Global)

[Arelys Bellorini](#) is currently United Nations Representative (Child Rights and Sustainable Development) for World Vision in New York. Most recently, she led World Vision NY-engagement on the post-2015 development agenda. In addition, she manages the organization's relations and partnerships with key UN agencies, in particular UNICEF as well as the inter-governmental relations and civil society partnerships.

Arelys Bellorini is a sociologist graduated from Columbia University in New York and holds Graduate degrees from New York University and the Nicaraguan National Autonomous University. She has led national programmes and strategies on the promotion and full realization of children rights in Nicaragua and at sub-regional and regional level in Latin America.

She has worked in Plan International, the Swedish Agency for Development Cooperation in Nicaragua, the Norwegian Agency for Cooperation Development, the Nicaragua Foreign Affairs Ministry, among others. She has

	<p>managed national and local NGOs and has been a Professor on advocacy and multilateral organizations in her home country. Arelys Bellorini has also managed humanitarian programs and disaster risk reduction strategies at municipal and community level.</p>
 <p><i>Busani Sibindi, Save Matabeleland (Zimbabwe)</i></p>	<p>Busani Sibindi is a dynamic development and human rights activist with more than seven years' experience in NGO programming, leadership, and management, with a particular focus on marginalized communities. The founding director of Save Matabeleland Coalition, a member of the Together 2030 Core Group, he also runs the SDG Digest. He is a board member of the International Institute for Global Leadership and has served at the YOCIC (Youth for a Child in Christ) board since 2007. He has coordinated various high-level programs locally and globally. He was the national coordinator of the Beyond 2015 campaign in Zimbabwe, and participated in the post-2015 UN Intergovernmental negotiations, having presented in sessions in New York. Busani is a 2016 Mandela – Washington Fellow (University of California Berkeley) under President Obama's flagship program for Young African Leaders. Busani continues his work in sustainable development with a strategic focus on Goals 1, 10, 13, 16 and 17 through amongst many the National Coordination on the Implementation (NACOS 2030) and the #SDGSFOREVERYONE Project.</p>
 <p><i>Gomer Padong, Philippine Social Enterprise Network (Philippines)</i></p>	<p>Gomer Padong leads the Philippine Social Enterprise Network's (PhISEN) development cooperation and advocacy unit. He represents the Network in the United Nations Civil Society Advisory Committee, a 15-seat civil society platform to engage the Philippine UN country team on policy and strategy. He is also the focal person of the Social and Community Enterprises constituency of the Asia Pacific Regional Civil Society Engagement Mechanism, also a civil society platform for engagement across the UN system. He served in the Beyond 2015 Executive Committee and was head of secretariat of Beyond 2015-Philippines. His competencies include training and facilitation, policy support and lobby, campaign management and advocacy, communications and partnership-building.</p>



John Patrick Ngoyi, [JDPC Ijebu-Ode](#) (Nigeria)

[John Patrick Ngoyi](#) is a Life Fellow of the Nigerian Conservation Foundation, the foremost environment NGO in Nigeria. He has occupied different functions in Development and Human Rights work. Membership of Organisations and Boards include:

The National Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace; Sustain Africa Project; Coordination of the Democracy/Budget Monitoring project of the JDPC; member of several Human Rights organizations; Fellow of the 21st Century Trust, UK; Consultant with several Community based and Non-governmental organisations; member of the National Government Committee on the abolition of Death Penalty; Member of the Presidential Committee for the assessment and monitoring of the implementation of the MDGs, ASHOKA Social Entrepreneur; member of the CSOs African Working Group; Member of the Executive Committee of Beyond 2015 Campaign and co-promoter of Together 2030; Chairperson of the Governance Committee of SECAM (the Symposium of Episcopal Conferences of Africa and Madagascar).s



Philipp Schonrock, [Cepei](#) (Colombia)

[Philipp Schönrock](#) is the Director of CEPEI, an independent, non-profit, data driven think tank, working through field based analysis and high-level advocacy to scale up the participation of Latin America and the Caribbean within the global development agendas.

For 2 years he was co-chairman of the Beyond 2015 campaign, a civil society global initiative for the negotiation of the 2030 Agenda. Currently, he is a member of the GPSDD and Together 2030 Boards. Recently, he was appointed to the academic committee of the UN World Data Forum. He represents CEPEI as a member of the Colombian Confederation of NGOs Board.



Ola Abu Alghaib, [Leonard Cheshire Disability](#) (Global)

[Ola Abu Alghaib](#) has almost two decades of experience in the field of disability, development, and inclusive social policies in low and middle income countries. In her career her responsibilities have encompassed policy analysis, program design, management and evaluation, formulation of advocacy strategies, capacity development, extensive use of qualitative methods, and research with the World Bank, UN agencies (WHO, ILO, UNESCO), NGOs, DPOs and INGOs. She has been a member of advisory bodies to support governments in social policy reform; she has been recently involved in providing technical expertise in effective reforms towards

	<p>inclusive social protection policies. Currently Ola is completing her PhD on Social Protection and Disability in low and middle-income countries.</p>
<div data-bbox="339 554 576 879" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="240 882 677 949" data-label="Caption"> <p>Pauline Lambou, Leading Women of Africa (LWA) (Cameroon)</p> </div>	<p>Pauline Lambou is woman rights activist and feminist passionate about rights of persons with disabilities, women entrepreneurship and leadership, inclusive education, development, equity, inclusive society and Governance in Africa.</p> <p>She holds a BA on bilingual studies and a BA in Special Education Studies from Yaoundé University of Cameroon and Pen-School of Education in Partnership with CEFED-Santa. Pauline is the interim deputy Secretary of Africa society of Public Administration, International Observer at Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, Africa Forest Forum AFF, CT/ISO International for Standard and Quality Agency as civil society, Media and stakeholder strategist of Leading Women of Africa-LWA and coordinator of LWA Cameroon.</p> <p>Pauline is the founder of Fondation Espoir et Vie (FESVIE), an inclusive education complex for children, including those with disabilities. She has also founded the Women for Leadership and entrepreneurship forum – WOLEF and co-founded the Network of women fighting Against Corruption for Transparency.</p>
<div data-bbox="311 1186 602 1547" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="204 1549 708 1617" data-label="Caption"> <p>Kalisiana Buliruarua, PACIFICWIN-YOUTH, New Zealand</p> </div>	<p>Kalisiana Buliruarua is a recent law graduate and has a high commitment and a deep interest in the current global agenda. She has an increased network due to her previous role as the Chairperson of the Pacific Association of The University of Auckland. She is particularly involved with Youth and with various Pacific communities in the New Zealand diaspora. These include church groups, youth groups and other Pacific collectives in Auckland. As a Youth Leader, she has watched/observed/learnt and acquired the ability to engage with other diverse people in democratic decision making. Siana is passionate about the how the Pacific can be further engaged and advantaged by our membership. She is interested in increasing linkages not only to our main Pacific group but also with the other Together 2030 members</p>