

2019 High-Level Political Forum - Side Event

## Unleashing the Transformative Potential of the 2030 Agenda Through Participatory Approaches

Tuesday, July 9, 2019 | 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

UN Church Center, 2nd floor

777 United Nations Plaza, New York (1st ave & E 44th street)

*Cocktail time will follow at 8 pm*

Directly contributing to the discussions around HLPF 2019 theme "Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality", this side event invites the audience to revisit the connections between Goal 1 ("End poverty in all its forms everywhere"), Goal 16 on peaceful and inclusive societies, Goal 10 on inequality, and Goal 8 on decent work and economic growth.

More specifically, it will look at how participation can be a transformative tool for people not only to become active agents of their own lives but also to build a truly inclusive society where all can reach their full potential by sharing their experience and knowledge, helping to better inform public policies and transform institutions.

Presenting inspiring speakers - from activists with a direct experience of poverty to academics and practitioners - this interactive event aims at starting a conversation around how innovative participatory tools and processes can help break the vicious circle of poverty and social exclusion and, simultaneously, effectively inform policy and accountability mechanisms.

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### M O D E R A T O R

Mr. Paul Ladd, Director, UNRISD (United Nations Research Institute for Social Development)

### O P E N I N G   R E M A R K S

Mr. Abdoulaye Mar Dieye, UN Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the UNDP Bureau for Policy and Programme Support

### K E Y N O T E   S P E A K E R S

SDG16 - Unlocking the 2030 Agenda and Cultivating Civic Participation,  
Mireille Razafindrakoto, Research Director in Economy and Statistics, French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD), France

Creating the conditions for meaningful participation,  
Alexie Gasengayire, ATD Fourth World Tanzania

Learning from the "Hidden Dimensions of Poverty" participatory research,  
Prof. Robert Walker, Professor Emeritus, Oxford University, UK

Transformation Through Participation,  
Kimberly Tyre, activist with a direct experience of poverty, ATD Fourth World USA

Participatory Research: From Intersecting Inequalities to Accountable Relationships  
Erika Franco Lopez, Researcher at the Participation, Inclusion and Social Change team, Institute of Development Studies, UK

### B R E A K O U T   S E S S I O N

### R E P O R T I N G   F R O M   E A C H   G R O U P

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