

Conversation with authors of the Civil Society Report

SPOTLIGHT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT 2018

Exploring new policy pathways: How to overcome obstacles
and contradictions in the implementation of the 2030
Agenda

Church Center, 10th floor, 777 UN Plaza, New York

12 July 2018, 6:15-7:45pm



The world is off-track in terms of achieving sustainable development. Fundamental policy changes are necessary to unleash the transformative potential of the SDGs. In particular, there is a need for more coherent fiscal and regulatory policies and a whole-of-government approach towards sustainability.

These are the main messages of the Spotlight Report 2018, the most comprehensive independent assessment of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

The Spotlight Report 2018 describes policies, resources and actions that are necessary to implement the 2030 Agenda. It highlights strategies and approaches which depart from business-as-usual and prioritize fulfilment of human rights and respect for planetary boundaries.

At the roundtable event authors of the Spotlight Report 2018 will present key findings and recommendations to participants for discussion.

The event is organized by the **Civil Society Reflection Group on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.*

Programme

- 6:15** **Welcome** by Luise Rürup (FES New York Office) and Barbara Adams (Global Policy Forum)
- 6:30** **Brief statements** by Roberto Bissio (Social Watch), Ziad Abdel Samad (Arab NGO Network for Development), Corina Rodríguez Enríquez (DAWN), Kate Donald (CESR), Stefano Prato (SID), Sandra Vermuyten (PSI)
- 7:00** **Discussion**
- Moderator: Jens Martens (Global Policy Forum)

As space for this side event is limited, we kindly ask you to RSVP by 10 July 2018 to gpf@globalpolicy.org

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