

Multistakeholderism and the UN 2.0

Challenges and Alternatives for Developing Countries

7 September (10:00 - 11:30 EST 16:00 - 17:30 CET)



Dear reader,

The preparations for the September 2024 Summit for the Future (SOTF) are well underway. In this process, further proposals are being made arguing for multistakeholderism as a key instrument for the UN system and global governance. The increasing role of 'multistakeholderism' runs the risk of marginalizing States, especially those from the Global South, in making key policy and programmatic decisions. In addition, the role of civil society has been negatively affected, as the increasing participation of well-funded business' associations in multilateral forums have reduced its ability to contribute to the development and implementation of the intergovernmental agenda.

This Public Workshop "Multistakeholderism and the UN 2.0. Challenges and Alternatives for Developing Countries" will question this idea by discussing from a new report commissioned jointly by South Centre and The Transnational Institute (TNI) and elaborated by Prof. Harris Gleckman. The report, which will be presented at this Forum, shows that multistakeholderism limits the role of developing countries in global governance. It also undermines multilateralism by outsourcing global governance and a decline in trust in the international community through the erosion of sovereignty. The workshop will also serve as an opportunity to identify and discuss the recommendations on how to deal with "Multistakeholderism."

Registration for online participation of this event is required, please find the registration link below.

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Programme

10:00 - 10:15 Welcoming remarks - Fiona Dove, Executive Director, Transnational Institute (virtual participation)

10:15 - 10:45 Presentation of the Report Multistakeholderism and UN 2.0. Challenges and Alternatives for Developing Countries - Harris Gleckman, Senior Fellow, Center on Governance and Sustainability, UMass-Boston

10:45 - 11:10 Discussion Panel

- Ambassador Akram Munir, United Nations Permanent Representative of Pakistan
- Ambassador Pedro Luis Pedrosa, United Nations Permanent Representative of Cuba
- Prof. Carlos Correa, Executive Director, South Centre
- Anita Gurumurthy, Executive Director, It for Change (virtual participation)

11:10 - 11:30 Open dialogue

Moderation:

Brid Brennan, Transnational Institute
Martin Drago, Friends of the Earth International

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This is an initiative by the The People's Working Group on Multistakeholderism (PWGM) that is composed by the following participants: Corporate Accountability (CA), ESCR-Net, FIAN International, Focus on the Global South, Friends of the Earth International (FOEI), Geneva Global Health Hub (G2H2), Global Campaign for Education, IT for Change, People's Health Movement (PHM), Public Services International (PSI), Transnational Institute (TNI).