

Concept Note Parallel Event for 2024 UN HLPF

**Localizing the Sustainable Development Goals:
Community Perspectives and Knowledge Sharing**

UN NGO Host: Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Loreto Generalate; UN NGO Co-Sponsor: Congregations of St. Joseph NGO to the United Nations

Canadian Partners: Campaign 2000, Citizens for Public Justice, Mary Ward Centre, Sisters of St. Joseph

Date and Time: Tuesday July 9, 8 AM

Zoom Registration Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZArf-mhqzliHtxWM70ebwnMr4cNlxg4OqKD>

Event Description:

This webinar will focus on community-based perspectives on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), especially SDG 1: No Poverty. Through panel presentations and interactive small group conversation, participants will share knowledge, experiences, and resources on localizing the SDGs and community-based approaches and build capacity to leverage the SDGs for local goals.

Goals of Event:

- Sharing knowledge, experiences, resources, perspectives on localizing SDGs and community-based approaches
- Informal capacity-building based on that knowledge sharing – how to leverage SDGs for local goals
- Connecting across Canada and internationally
- Internally, gaining understanding in order to plan official side event at next year's HLPF

Content to Explore:

- Research and localization approaches – trauma-informed, reciprocal, community-based research for localization
- Connections across SDGs, across countries
- Critical perspectives and limitations of SDGs and UN approaches, how localizing allows communities to redefine for themselves, leverage government commitments usefully, tangibly
- Putting ideas into practice

Format:

- 90 minutes max
- Virtual – use Zoom (may have to be webinar for interpretation), register on Eventbrite
- Presentation of Campaign 2000 SDGs work, either as separate presentation or part of panel
- Panel of speakers
 - Hannah Barrie, Campaign 2000

- *Pending*: 1 participant/partner in Campaign 2000 project (Hannah reached out to Voices Influencing Change in Whitehorse, YK, and Community Cares Youth Outreach in Sydney Mines, NS); *may also invite folks to act as breakout group facilitators and/or participants rather than being a panelist.*
- Katelynne Herchak, Indigenous Governance & Decolonial Practices at VIDEA (also attending HLPF)
- Mrs.Sonodhy Hansda, Local Credit and Savings Cooperative (Nepal)

Budget

- TBD. Considerations: Honoraria for speakers, translation, accessibility, potential subsidies for childcare and internet
 - Interpretation: Sarah has connections for Spanish interpretation. Natalie could share remarks in French as needed. Will need to source French interpretation.
- Organizations pay honoraria for the speakers they invite

Draft Outline

Virtual Parallel Event

Time	Content	Speakers
	Welcome, Land Acknowledgement Welcome from Elder? Introduction (5-10 mins)	Representative from event host organization (Loreto Sisters)
	Opening Remarks (5 minutes)	Mercedes Morin, ESDC
	Panel Discussion – Canadian and International Perspectives on Localizing the SDGs (50 mins)	<i>Panel Moderator:</i> Representative from event host organization <i>Speakers:</i> Hannah Barrie/Campaign 2000 (Canada) Mrs.Sonodhy Hansda, Local Credit and Savings Cooperative (Nepal) Katelynn Herchak, VIDEA (Canada)
	Activity or Small Group Discussion – Putting Knowledge into Practice (20 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakout rooms ● Discussion of good practices, tools, resources, strategies for localizing SDGs ● Focus on relationships, partnerships, solidarity, engagement, action ● Panelists participate in breakout rooms 	<i>Activity Facilitator:</i> Representative from event host organization

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Facilitator in each room takes notes on Google Doc or other shared document – everyone leaves with this document full of resources and strategies, comes away with inspiration	
	Closing (10 mins)	Representative from event host organization