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### Neuer Bericht: Deutschland und die UN-Nachhaltigkeitsagenda



Die 2030-Agenda der Vereinten Nationen und ihre 17 Ziele für nachhaltige Entwicklung versprechen die Transformation unserer Welt. Sie gelten für jedes Land, für die Länder des globalen Südens und des globalen Nordens, und damit auch für Deutschland. Gemeinsam mit VENRO, Forum Menschenrechte, Forum Umwelt und Entwicklung, terre des hommes und Open Knowledge Foundation hat das Global Policy Forum nun den Bericht „Deutschland und die UN-Nachhaltigkeitsagenda 2016 - noch lange nicht nachhaltig“ herausgegeben. Darin ziehen 40 Expertinnen und Experten kritisch Bilanz über Deutschlands Beiträge zur Erreichung der SDGs sowohl zu Hause als auch global. Sie erkennen Schwächen und Anknüpfungspunkte für Reformen und fordern wirksame Schritte von Entscheidungsträgerinnen und -trägern in Politik, Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft.

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Report

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# Upcoming Events

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## Side-events during the HLPF in New York - Spotlight on Sustainable Development



GPF, together with various partners including the Reflection Group on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be co-hosting several side-events during the upcoming High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) in New York, July 11 to 20, 2016. During the HLPF, the first issue of Spotlight on Sustainable Development will be launched. Also, national Reports from countries around the world will be presented. Feel invited to join us for these events (though participation requires registration to the HLPF).

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## 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

### A Good or Bad Start?

#### Civil Society Reflection Group Report Launch: Spotlight on Sustainable Development 2016

Jointly organized by: Arab NGO Network for Development, Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era, Third World Network, Global Policy Forum and Social Watch with support from Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung

Date: July 11, 2016, 6:15-7:30 pm

Venue: Conference Room D in the UN Conference Building, New York

Independent monitoring and review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and its structural obstacles and challenges are key factors for the success of the SDGs. It is for this reason, a global alliance of civil society organizations and networks has agreed to produce an annual Spotlight Report assessing the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the structural obstacles in its realization. The report puts a spotlight on the fulfillment of the 17 goals, with a particular focus on inequalities, responsibility of the rich and powerful, means of implementation and systemic issues.

What are currently the main obstacles to achieving the SDGs? Are there transnational spill over effects that influence or even undermine the implementation of the goals? Are the current policy approaches, as they are reflected, *inter alia*, in the 2030 Agenda, an adequate response to the challenges and obstacles (or are they part of the problem)? What has to be done? Which specific policy changes (at international level) are necessary?

At the side event key findings and recommendations of the global Spotlight Report will be presented.

**Speakers:** Barbara Adams/Jens Martens (Global Policy Forum), Roberto Bissio (Social Watch), Ziad Abdel Samad (Arab NGO Network), Chee Yoke Ling (Third World Network), and others.

**Contributing partners of the report include:** ATD Fourth World, ITUC, Center for Economic and Social Rights, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Public Services International, Global Alliance for Tax Justice, International Centre for Adult Education, ETC Group, NGO Mining Working Group at the UN, What Next Forum, Council of Canadians, Society for International Development, Global Action to Prevent War, Ecoropa and more.

[Download the invitation here.](#)

Please RSVP by 10 July 2016 to [gpf@globalpolicy.org](mailto:gpf@globalpolicy.org)

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## Civil Society Exchange

### „Shadowing SDG-implementation”

#### Civil Society Action for meaningful participation and accountability

Jointly organized by: alliance sud, Equipo Pueblo, German NGO Forum on Environment and Development, ECESR, GPF, Social Watch Philippines, Social Watch, kepa and VENRO.

Wednesday, July 13th, 2016, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm  
Baha'i International Community | 866 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017, Suite 120 (first floor)

Shadow reporting is a well-established tool of civil society when it comes to holding governments accountable. A number of CSOs have already started to prepare shadow or spotlight reports or similar monitoring accounts to follow-up on their governments efforts to implement the 2030-Agenda, especially its 17 goals and 169 targets. The main focus in this first year's reports was to devise and discuss methodologies and to monitor governments' efforts on drafting national implementation plans or strategies. In future reports they will point to governments' short-comings in the implementation and highlight issues relevant for the successful achievement of the SDGs which have not been raised by their governments so far.

The aims of the event are thus to:

- present a number of CSO shadow reports on national implementation, CSO participation and accountability as examples of good reporting practice
- engage government and CSO-representatives in a discussion on national implementation, CSO participation and accountability with a specific focus on “leaving no one behind”
- provide a space for mutual exchange and peer learning regarding national challenges and methods of CSO shadow reporting

As space for this side event is limited, we kindly ask you to [RSVP](#) until July 10th.

[Download the invitation and programme here.](#)

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**Speakers include:** Roberto Bissio (Social Watch), Areli Sandoval (Mexico, Equipo Pueblo), Daniel Jüttner (VENRO) / Marie-Luise Abshagen (German NGO Forum on Environment and Development), Marivic Raquiza (Social Watch Philippines), Jürg Staudmann (AllianceSud – Swiss Alliance of Development Organizations, Switzerland) and Mahinour El Badrawi (ECESR, Egypt)

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