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**Plenary round-table panel on the priorities of young people  
regarding the Summit of the Future and the reinforcement  
of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063**

## **Information and guidelines for the plenary round-table panel on the priorities of young people regarding the Summit of the Future and the reinforcement of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063**

### **I. Date, time and venue**

1. The plenary round-table panel on the priorities of young people regarding the Summit of the Future and the reinforcement of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 will be held on Tuesday, 23 April 2024, from 4.30 to 6 p.m., in the Plenary Hall.

### **II. Background and introduction**

2. This round-table panel is focused on youth and future generations, a topic chosen in the light of the importance that will be attached to it in the outcome document of the Summit for the Future, to be entitled “A Pact for the Future”.<sup>1</sup> The panel will provide an opportunity to mobilize the participation of African young people in the Summit, while at the same time seeking their views and delving into their priorities for what should be considered at the Summit.

### **III. Objectives**

3. The objectives of this panel are:

(a) To advocate and mobilize wider and effective engagement in the Summit of the Future by African young people;

(b) To solicit the views of African young people with a view to assisting them in setting priorities for deliberations during the lead-up to and at the Summit, and for the outcome document “A Pact for the Future”.

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<sup>1</sup> See A/77/49 (Vol. III), decision 77/568.



## IV. Guidelines

4. The Chair will outline the aforementioned objectives of the panel and introduce the moderator and panel members listed in section V.
5. The Chair will then yield to the moderator, who will guide the discussion among the panellists and other Forum participants.
6. The moderator will:
  - (a) Invite each panellist to speak for no longer than four minutes on one or more of the questions listed in paragraph 7;
  - (b) Foster an interactive discussion among the panellists on the main issues, actions and solutions that emerge from the remarks made by the panellists;
  - (c) Following the panel discussion, invite questions and other comments from the floor on the topics under discussion;
  - (d) At the end of the dialogue, summarize the main policy messages, including recommendations made;
  - (e) Yield to the Chair, who will conclude the discussion.
7. During the discussion, the moderator will invite the panellists to address one or more of the following two questions:
  - (a) How can African young people engage with and take advantage of the Summit of the Future to invigorate efforts at all levels to address current and future crises, achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and advance sustainable development beyond 2030?
  - (b) What should participants in the Summit of the Future highlight as priorities for African young people with regard to the five pillars of “A Pact for the Future”,<sup>2</sup> namely:
    - (i) Sustainable development and financing for development;
    - (ii) International peace and security;
    - (iii) Science, technology and innovation and digital cooperation;
    - (iv) Youth and future generations;
    - (v) Transforming global governance?

## V. Chair, moderator and panellists

8. The Chair, moderator and panellists will be as follows:

**Venue:** Plenary Hall

**Chair:** Chair of the Bureau

**Moderator:** *[to be determined]*

**Panellists:**

- Representative of young people
- Representative of young people
- Representative of young people
- Representative of young people
- Minister *[to be determined]*
- Resident Coordinator

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<sup>2</sup> Ibid.