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Introducing the SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS icons! The United Nations is pleased to unveil the icons, which are the result of a collaboration with Project Everyone. The 18 colorful graphics are meant to highlight the Sustainable Development Goals individually and as a whole.

If you would like more information on using the icons, please contact the Department of Public Information (e-mail: [dpicampaigns@un.org](mailto:dpicampaigns@un.org)).

## General Information Regarding UN General Assembly and Other Events



Don't miss **Pope Francis'** visit to the United Nations, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Summit 2015, the 70th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, and other events this September!



You can catch all official United Nations events on WebTV (<http://webtv.un.org>).

For more information about the 70th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, please download the [official press kit](#).

Remember to follow the United Nations [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) page for more information as the 70th Session of the General Assembly begins.

DPI/NGO Relations office will be updating our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) accounts constantly throughout the General Assembly! Please keep an eye on them for updates, special events, or other information.



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### International Labour Organization (ILO)'s Call for Papers: "Labour Market Transitions of Young Women and Men: Innovative research from 30 SWTS datasets"

The ILO "Work4Youth" Project and the Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) invite researchers to submit proposals for innovative research papers relevant to labour market transitions of young women and men in developing countries. This will culminate at the second Global Research Symposium on "Labour Market Transitions of Young Women and Men: Innovative research from 30 'school-to-work transition survey' (SWTS) datasets" to be held during February 2016.

For further information, please visit their [website](#).

**Deadline for submission is 30 September 2015.**

**14 September 2015**

### Prayer service on the occasion of the opening of the seventieth session of the General Assembly

Co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the Archdiocese of New York

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Church of the Holy Family, 315 East 47th Street New York NY 10017

For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail: [office@holyseemission.org](mailto:office@holyseemission.org); tel.: 1 (212) 370-7885).

**15 September 2015**

### Panel discussion on "Identifying Common Ground for the special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem to be held in 2016 (UNGASS 2016): Considering Comparative Perspectives on Drug Policy"

Co-organized by the United Nations University and the Brookings Institution

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 5

For further information, please contact UNU New York Office (e-mail: [walker@unu.edu](mailto:walker@unu.edu); tel.: 1 (212) 963-6346). Please register [here](#).

**15 September 2015**

### International Day of Democracy: "Space for Civil Society"

Organized by the United Nations Working Group on Democracy and International IDEA (Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance)

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

**Venue:** ExPress Bar, 3rd floor, General Assembly Building

For further information, please visit <http://www.un.org/en/events/democracyday/2015/events>.



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**15 September 2015**  
**Seminar on Powering the Future We Want**

Organized by the Capacity Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. to 1:05 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 8

For further information, please contact Mr. Ivan Vera, DESA (e-mail: [vera@un.org](mailto:vera@un.org); tel.: 1 (212) 963-2043).

**16 September 2015**  
**Briefing by the Secretary-General on Sustainable Energy for All**

With the participation of the Deputy Secretary-General, the outgoing Special Representative, and the Special Representative-designate of the Secretary-General and Chief Executive Officer for Sustainable Energy for All

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 4

For further information, please contact Mr. Trym Oust Sonstad, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail: [sonstad@un.org](mailto:sonstad@un.org); tel.: 1 (212) 963-4254).

**16 September 2015**  
**Panel Discussion: Self-Representation as a Strategy to Fight Racism (on the occasion of the International Day for People of African Descent)**

Organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations, co-sponsored by UNESCO, the UN Department of Public Information, and the Africa Center

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Venue:** ECOSOC Chamber

For further information, please contact Ms. Adriana Telles Ribeiro, Permanent Mission of Brazil (e-mail: [adriana.telles@itamaraty.gov.br](mailto:adriana.telles@itamaraty.gov.br); tel.: 1 (212) 372-2661).

Please [RSVP](#) for the event.

**24 September 2015**  
**Launch of the Working Group on Broadband and Gender Report on Cyber Violence against Women and Girls: A Worldwide Wake-Up Call**

Co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Working Group on Gender and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London (e-mail: [sharon.london@itu.int](mailto:sharon.london@itu.int); tel.: 1 (212) 963-6121); or Ms. Anna Polomska (e-mail [anna.polomska@itu.int](mailto:anna.polomska@itu.int)).

**Registration will be open till 18 September [here](#).**



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## 21 September 2015 Peace Bell Ceremony (on the occasion of the International Day of Peace)

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Venue:** Japanese Garden, United Nations Headquarters, New York

All Accredited NGOs are invited to attend the ceremony. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and the President of the seventieth session of the General Assembly, Mogens Lykketoft of Denmark, will ring the Japanese Peace Bell. Students will hold flags of all 193 Member States as well as of the United Nations.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.un.org/en/events/peaceday/>

## 25 September 2015 World Summit on Sustainable Development Event “From Global Conversation to Global Action—Making Sustainable Development Goals work”

Organized by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG)

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 4

For further information, please contact Ms. Antje Watermann, UNDP (e-mail: [antje.watermann@undp.org](mailto:antje.watermann@undp.org); tel.: 1 (646) 781-4091).

## 26 September 2015 Mobilizing Generation Zero Hunger

Co-organized by FAO, IFAD, the World Food Programme, and the Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth

**Time:** 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 4

A high-level side event will take place alongside the UN Summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda. **Registration is open till 22 September [here](#).** (Password: Zero2030)

More information is available at <http://www.zerohungerchallenge.org> (or by e-mail: [zerohunger.ny@wfp.org](mailto:zerohunger.ny@wfp.org)).

## New web platform on partnerships for SDGs launched (beta version) by UNDESA

The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Division for Sustainable Development) is pleased to announce the launch of “Partnerships for SDGs” - an online platform for encouraging global engagement around multi-stakeholder partnerships and voluntary commitments in support the sustainable development goals and their targets.

The platform will function as a tool to inform stakeholders on initiatives carried out by multi-stakeholder partnerships around the world in support of the sustainable development goals, track progress, and share innovative ideas. The platform is free and open to the public.

Available at: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/partnerships>

**Register your initiative towards the Sustainable Development Goals:** <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/partnership/register/>

More information available at: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/partnerships/about>



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**Please note that the events announced here are not organized by the United Nations and do not necessarily reflect the official opinions of the UN**

**18 September 2015**

### UNA-NY Screening the Issues: “The Good Lie”

Organized by the United Nations Association of New York

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Dolby 88 Screening Room, 1350 Avenue of the Americas (at West 55 Street), Lobby Level, New York, NY, 10019

Join this exclusive screening of THE GOOD LIE, which will be followed by a panel Q+A with three special guests: Margaret Nagle, the film's screenwriter, and Andrew Reynolds, Associate Professor at the University of North Carolina, and actor Ger Duany, one of the stars of the film.

Tickets available on their [event page](#).

**21 September 2015**

### “Happiness The Delight-Tree honours the International Day of Peace”

An official Brooklyn Book Festival Bookend Event in collaboration with the United Nations SRC Society of Writers and St. Ann and The Holy Trinity Church

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Venue:** St. Ann and the Holy Trinity Church, 157 Montague Street, Brooklyn, NY, 11201

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**21 September 2015**

### The Quest for Just and Sustainable Peace

Sponsored by The Committee of Religious NGOs at the UN, Church Center for the United Nations, General Board of Church & Society of the United Methodist Church, International Day of Peace NGO Committee, International Day of Yoga Committee at the UN, Loretto Community, NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security, NGO Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development, Presbyterian Church (USA), United Methodist Women, Unitarian Universalist—UN Office, United Religions Initiative, and the World Peace Prayer Society

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Tillman Chapel, 777 United Nations Plaza (44th Street and First Avenue), New York, NY 10017

Please visit their [Facebook page](#) for more information.



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**21 September 2015**

**NGOCSD: Partnership Alliance for Peace Education: Building Cultures of Peace for Sustainable Communities, Globally (on the occasion of International Day of Peace and UN 70th Anniversary)**

Organized by NGOCSD

**Time:** 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 6

**A valid UN Security ID is necessary. You must register for this event by 5:00 p.m. 16 September 2015** (e-mail: [ngocsdunc@gmail.com](mailto:ngocsdunc@gmail.com)). When registering, please give your name, UN NGO, and email address. Arrive by 2:30PM at the UN Visitor's Entrance (East 45 St & 1st Ave). Due to limited space for this meeting, seating is available on a "first registered, first served" basis.

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## NGO Spotlight

### Disability Association of Tavana

The Disability Association of Tavana (DAT) is a newly DPI associated NGO that was founded in 1995 and operates in Qazvin, Iran. DAT's founder and President, Seyed Mohammad Mousavi, is a handicapped Iranian himself who established the organization in hopes of improving conditions for the "ordinary disabled" in his country through targeting societal and governmental marginalization, and encouraging the expression and honouring of the disabled's own rights. DAT's work is especially unique in the developing world where discrimination against those in disabled conditions frequently leads to isolation within their communities and deprivation of rightful access to and utilization of their human rights. DAT offers wide range of services to address this neglect including educational, physical, and psychologically supportive programs.

This past March, DAT commemorated International Women's Day by teaming up with UNIC Teran and local officials to host a ceremony for fifty guests including handicapped students and mothers of children with disabilities. For the upcoming International Day for Persons with Disabilities on 3 December, DAT also plans to offer financial support to one hundred students and families struggling with disabilities.

More information on DAT's organization, services, and publications can be found [here](#).





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## Celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the United Nations



The official logo for the 70th Anniversary of the United Nations (UN70 Logo) has been created by the UN for use with the UN 70th Anniversary activities and programmes. NGOs are encouraged to use the logo for educational and public outreach projects advancing the goals laid down in the United Nations Charter, informing the public of the role of the United Nations in the modern world, and promoting informed global debate on concerns vital to the organization in its seventieth year and the world to which it belongs.

For information on the use of the UN70 Logo, please see these guidelines. For inquiries concerning the use of the UN70 Logo and requests to use the Logo, please contact us (email: [undpingo@un.org](mailto:undpingo@un.org)), indicating in the subject line “UN70 Logo Use”.

### “Turn the World UN Blue”: Marking the United Nations at 70

#UN70

To help mark the 70th anniversary of the United Nations, iconic monuments, buildings, landscapes, museums, bridges, and other landmarks across the globe will be lit up blue - the official colour of the United Nations - on **UN Day, 24 October 2015**. Join us in the global celebration and choose blue on 24 October by lighting up a landmark in your country. As part of this international event, images and videos of the lighted structures will be part of press and social media outreach, and will be seen by millions of people around the world. Citizens are also asked to get involved and take action by sharing their “choose blue” images using the hashtag **#UN70**.

To learn more about this celebration, please read the [open letter](#) sent by the Chief of NGO Relations and Advocacy section. (or e-mail: [section4d@un.org](mailto:section4d@un.org))

You can also find basic guidelines [here](#).

For the official website: <http://www.un.org/un70/en>



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## NGO Resource Centre News

### [DPI/NGO Resource Centre Closed – 23 September to 6 October](#)

Please note that the Resource Centre will be closed from **23 September until 6 October**, due to Eid al-Adha (on **23 September** the United Nations Headquarters in New York will be closed); the Summit for the Adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals (**25 – 27 September**); and the General Debate of the 70th Session of the General Assembly (**28 September – 6 October**). The Resource Centre will resume normal hours on Wednesday, **7 October**.

### [NEW PUBLICATIONS IN THE DPI/NGO RESOURCE CENTER](#)

Please find below the Resource Centre hours of operation:

**Monday & Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Thursday: 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

The Conference Room at the Resource Centre is available the following days and hours:

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Thursdays: 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

To book it, please send your request via e-mail to [undpingo@un.org](mailto:undpingo@un.org) with the desired date and time. **We will need the following information:**

**Name of the organization, Name of person responsible for the booking, and Contact information (e-mail address and phone number).**

**We will send a confirmation e-mail with the booking information.**

Please see the [Journal of the United Nations](#) for more information about events at the United Nations