



The Future of Governance: New Mindsets, Capacities, and Competencies

Round-Table Discussion at the margins of the Summit of the Future

20 September 2024

10:00 am to 12:00 pm (EDT)

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United Nations Headquarters, New York

2 UN Plaza - DC-2 23-30

Description of the Event

The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, through its Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government and the Latin American Center for Public Administration (CLAD), are organizing a Round-Table Discussion on the Future of Governance which will take place on 20 September 2024 in New York at the margins of the Summit of the Future.

Background

Governance systems at the global and national levels are at a critical juncture. Although global governance institutions have achieved many successes since they were developed after the Second World War, the growing number of issues on the international agenda, and their complexity, is outpacing their ability to cope with them. National governments around the world are also struggling to address the impact of increasingly frequent and cascading global crises,





from climate change to energy, geopolitical tensions, health, and food shortages. There is a growing belief that the current governance systems at all levels need to be transformed to effectively face current and future challenges and meet the needs and aspirations of present and future generations.

The Summit of the Future, to be held at the United Nations Headquarters in September of 2024, is an important opportunity to explore what type of governance systems will be needed to manage current and future challenges and support sustainable development aspirations beyond 2030. This event is being organized at the margins of the Summit of the Future and will bring together government officials, experts and representatives of international and regional organizations and networks.

Objective

Governance systems have profound and wide-ranging implications for society, the environment, and the economy. How societies govern themselves plays a crucial role in determining the well-being of all people and of sustainable development. Defining the governance systems of the future requires a deep understanding of the critical drivers of change as well as of the needs and aspirations of today's society in whichever forms and modalities they are being expressed (e.g., through social media, local communities, and cities). It calls for a better understanding of different governance models and their capacities to address present and future challenges.

Governments and people need to rethink the values that should inform their social contract and how these are being interpreted and implemented, what kind of society they wish to live in and what governance system is going to deliver meaningful freedom and well-being to the largest number of people.

This Round-Table Discussion on the Future of Governance will focus on:

- Context and drivers of change that are affecting governance systems now, and in the future
- Developing capacities for anticipatory governance
- Mindsets, capacities, and competencies needed to navigate the future of governance





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Outcome

The event will conclude with actionable insights and recommendations on how to promote anticipatory governance, as well as develop new mindsets, capacities, and competencies for future governance.

