



MULTISTAKEHOLDER LEADERSHIP GROUP: FAQ

OVERVIEW OF THE LEADERSHIP GROUP

What is the Multistakeholder Leadership Group?

- The Multistakeholder Leadership Group is an advisory body composed of stakeholders in Generation Equality to advise the next phase of implementation of the Generation Equality agenda. It brings together representatives from governments, civil society and youth organizations, the UN system, international organizations, the private sector, and philanthropic actors. Members will be Action Coalition Leaders, Commitment Makers, and Compact Signatories.
- Building on the success and lessons learned through the first phase of the Generation Equality Forum, including its various leadership structures that were set up for the Forum, the Multistakeholder Leadership Group will support and advise the follow-up to the Generation Equality Forum, including advising UN Women in its convening role as relevant.

What is the Multistakeholder Leadership Group's role? Why is it important?

- The Leadership Group is building on a key component of the Generation Equality Forum's success: the innovative multistakeholder models that cultivated a sense of ownership and commitment to Generation Equality across various stakeholders. These structures also elevated young feminist and civil society voices and leadership through a co-allyship and co-leadership model. The Multistakeholder Leadership Group will be critical in ensuring that the multistakeholder allyship and co-leadership model of Generation Equality endures.
- The Multistakeholder Leadership Group will support and advise on the Generation Equality implementation, particularly and as needed, UN Women's convening role including advising Generation Equality's key milestones and advocacy moments over the next few years.
- The Multistakeholder Leadership Group will also coordinate with the Action Coalition leadership structures and Compact to ensure alignment and synergies. Members will act as champions for the initiative, both within their sectors and amongst external groups, regularly share feedback with UN Women, and support outreach and advocacy efforts within important global spaces at the UN and beyond.

SELECTION PROCESS

What is the criteria and the selection process, and who will drive it?

- Members of the Multistakeholder Leadership Group will be selected through an open, transparent, and widely disseminated [selection process](#).
- Applications or Letters of Interests must be submitted from organizations that are Action Coalition Leader or Compact Signatory or Commitment Maker
 - Civil society organizations, including youth and adolescent girls, are invited to submit an [application](#).
 - Member states, philanthropic entities, private sector entities, UN agencies, and international organizations are invited to submit a [Letter of interest](#).
- Due attention will be paid to geographical balance, intergenerational diversity, as well as inclusion of diverse CSO, including youth and adolescent girl constituencies, grassroots, and community-based groups to ensure comprehensive constituency representation.

In the Terms of Reference, what is the “potential host countries for the midpoint moment” referring to?



- For the Mid Point moment in 2023, UN Women hopes to convene, together with 2 co -host states (Global North and Global South), a convening moment to review progress and amplify results of Generation Equality.
- States will be approached /can offer to be co-hosts for these convenings.
- We hope that governments who are interested in the Multistakeholder Leadership Group who may also want to co-host these convening moments, will express that interest in their Letter of Interest.
- The scope and shape of these convenings will be decided together with the states and will also be advised by the MSLG.

WORKING METHODS

We strongly recommend to consult the [Term of Reference](#) for further details about the Group's scope of responsibility and methods of work.

Will the CSOs (including youth and adolescent) membership be compensated for their work?

- UN Women will make every effort to raise resources to compensate civil society members (including youth and adolescent representatives) for their time. However this compensation is contingent upon the success of resource mobilization efforts that are being undertaken.

For how long will the selected members be in their role?

- Members will initially serve for a two-year term and have the option to rotate out thereafter.

Will UNW provide translation/interpretation for all the related documents and meetings?

- All meetings will be conducted in English. UN Women aims to ensure that meetings are fully accessible with translation and interpretation contingent on resource availability.

MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT OF YOUTH/ADOLESCENT GIRLS IN THE LEADERSHIP GROUP

What will be the safeguarding mechanisms for the adolescent representatives selected in the governance body?

- UN Women is currently in the process of developing a safeguarding policy that would allow the safe and meaningful participation of adolescent girls under the age of 18 in the Generation Equality initiative as well as in all other relevant UN Women engagements.

How is UN Women ensuring the dissemination of the call for applications and letters of interest within the AC leaders, commitment makers and Compact signatories?

- UN Women has shared regular, updated messages (via email) on the process to all AC leaders, commitment makers and Compact signatories, including on the extension of the deadline from 8th July to 15th July. UN Women has also been, through its AC and Compact focal points, being engaging in discussions with the different stakeholders, both through written form as well as by joining meetings where needed, and will continue to do so till the deadline.