

PROGRAMME

Strengthening Youth Engagement with SDGs and the 2030 Agenda for Qatar's Generation

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Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar to the United Nations
Generation Amazing**

Introduction

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Course structure

- Strengthening Youth Engagement with the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals and the 2030 Agenda (1 day)
- Sports and Sustainable Development (1 day)
- Skills in Leadership and Negotiation for Youth (1 day)

Number of participants: approx. 15

Target audience: Generation Amazing advocates; teenage and young adult Qatari and non-Qatari residents that study & work in Doha

Date of Delivery

- Module one:
 - o 14 December (Youth Engagement with UN SDGs/2030 Agenda)
- Module two:
 - o 15 December (Sports)
- Module three:
 - o 16 December (Leadership/Negotiations)

Day 1: Strengthening Youth Engagement with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals and the 2030 Agenda

This module will provide background on the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. 2015 was marked by the adoption of four landmark UN agreements: Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, Addis Ababa Action Agenda, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement. This online course has been designed to provide an in-depth analysis of the 2030 Agenda, through an introduction to the post-2015 process and the origins of the 2030 Agenda; the 17 SDGs and their challenges; policy integration of SDGs; and implementation of the 2030 Agenda. Stakeholder engagement is an integral component to implementation of the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda. Youth engagement with the SDGs is essential to successful implementation of the 2030 Agenda. This module will provide context for how young people can contribute to the SDGs and the role this generation will assume in the future.

Time	Session I: Monday 14 th December 2020
9:00 a.m. NYC/ 5:00 p.m. Doha	<p>Welcome Remarks and Introduction</p> <p><u>MODERATOR: H.E. Mr. Marco A. Suazo</u>, Head of Office, UNITAR New York</p> <p><u>H.E. Ms. Alya Ahmed bin Saif Al-Thani</u>, Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar to the United Nations and Co-Chair of the UN Group of Friends of Sport for Development and Peace</p> <p><u>H.E. Ms. Isabelle Picco</u>, Permanent Representative of the Principality of Monaco to the United Nations and Co-Chair of the UN Group of Friends of Sport for Development and Peace</p> <p><u>H.E. Mr. Hassan Al Thawadi</u>, Secretary General, Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy (video message)</p> <p><u>Mr. John Barnes</u>, Football Player, Football Legend.</p>
9:30 a.m. NYC/ 5:30 p.m. Doha	<p>Panel on Strengthening Youth Engagement with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals and the 2030 Agenda</p> <p><u>Ms. Daniela Bas</u>, Director, UNDESA's Division for Inclusive Social Development</p> <p><u>Ms. Jayathma Wickramanayake</u>, United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth (video message)</p> <p>Moderator, Ambassador Marco A. Suazo</p>

<p>10:00 a.m. NYC/ 6:00 p.m. Doha</p>	<p>Discussion with Young Leaders for Sustainable Development Goals</p> <p><i>Ms. Tania Rosas</i>, who is based in Colombia, founded El Origen Foundation, an indigenous-first model that provides at-risk youth with a second chance at education and works to close the illiteracy gap for indigenous youth, and launched O-lab, the learning app adapted for indigenous students who have the lowest education levels worldwide. As a Young Leader, she is creatingc partnerships for the goals and working to make educational resources about SDGs more accessible for children and young people living in vulnerable communities.</p> <p><i>Mr. Udit Singhal</i>, who is based in the UK attending university, is the founder of Glass2Sand, an environment-friendly zero waste ecosystem that addresses the growing menace of glass waste. As a Young Leader, he hopes to galvanize young people for the goals through online and in-person workshops and campaigns in schools and university, which will emphasize the need for young people to act.</p> <p>Moderator, Ambassador Marco A. Suazo</p>
<p>11:00 a.m. NYC/ 7:00 p.m. Doha</p>	<p>Closing Remarks</p>

Day 2: Sports and Sustainable Development

Generation Amazing uses football for development initiatives to address social issues in countries with an identified need, in line with the SDGs. It also promotes sustainable behaviours among young people in Qatar and across the region. This module will outline the contribution that sports, and specifically football, has on sustainability and how the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar is setting benchmarks for social, human, economic, and environmental development.

Time	Session II Tuesday 15th December 2020
9:00 a.m. NYC/ 5:00 p.m. Doha	Panel on Sports, Youth and Development <u>Mr. Richard Blewitt</u> , Representative of International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
9:30 a.m. NYC/ 5:30 p.m. Doha	The Role Of Youth Sports in Health with an Eye Towards Sustainable Development Goals <u>Dr. Jordan Metzl</u> , Doctor of Sports Medicine, focus on sports and preventing injuries in youth
10:00 a.m. NYC/ 6:00 p.m. Doha	Discussion with Young Athletes About the Role of Sports in Their Lives <u>Ms. Caia Carlesimo</u> – Elite Level High School Soccer Player <u>Ms. Sabrina Vega</u> – USA National Team Gymnast and College Gymnast at the University of Georgia <u>Ms. Lia Neal</u> – Two Time USA Olympic Medalist in Swimming and College Swimmer at Stanford University Moderator, Dr. Jordan Metzl
10:30 am NYC/ 6:30 pm Doha	<u>Mr. John Barnes</u> , Football Player, Generation Amazing Football Ambassador
11:00 a.m. NYC/ 7:00 p.m. Doha	Discussion Q/A with Participants <u>Mr. Richard Blewitt</u> , Representative of International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) <u>Mr. John Barnes</u> , Football Player, Football Legend.
11:30 a.m. NYC/ 7:30 p.m. Doha	Closing Remarks

Day 3: Skills in Leadership and Negotiation for Youth

This hands-on workshop is designed to prepare young adults for leadership positions. Through simulation exercises, this workshop gives participants the unique opportunity to practice and receive feedback to strengthen their leadership and negotiation skills. The result is young adults who are better equipped to facilitate implementation and achievement of the SDGs. The workshop is based on the book, “Negotiation at the United Nations: A Practitioner’s Guide”. This handbook explores the power and responsibility of the individual in forging successful multilateral outcomes.

Time	Session III Tuesday 16 th December 2020
9:00 a.m. NYC/ 5:00 p.m. Doha	Skills in Leadership and Negotiation for Youth <u>Ms. Jimena Leiva-Roesch</u> , Senior Fellow at the International Peace Institute <u>Dr. Rebecca Webber Guadiosi</u> , Former US Diplomat to the United Nations The Negotiator Tool-Kit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise 1: Bilateral Negotiation • Feedback
10:30 a.m. NYC/ 6:30 p.m. Doha	Negotiation “Theatre” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise 2: Trans-boundary Management Negotiations • Feedback Mitigating Asymmetric Power
12:00 p.m. NYC/ 8:00 p.m. Doha	Wrap-up, discussion, and closing remarks

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

H.E. Mr. Marco A. Suazo

Head of UNITAR's office at the United Nations in New York



H.E. Mr. Suazo is a career diplomat in the Foreign Service of Honduras where he served in various positions at the Permanent Mission of Honduras since 1990, representing Honduras in the Security Council 1995-1996. He served as Deputy Ambassador until August 2015. He presided over the work of the Second Committee and the First Committee of the General Assembly. Besides being Adviser, at the Department of Economic and Social Affairs UNDESA UN. Mr. Suazo has written two publications, one for the 60th anniversary of the Organization in honor of founder-Honduras under the title "Nuestra Historia" (Our History); in 2013 he published "We the People" in which through photography, promotes the values and richness of

Honduras and examines the participation of his country in the Organization. On the 70th anniversary, he is preparing his third publication dedicated to the history and documentation of Honduras for the Security Council of the United Nations under the title "Written Diplomacy".

H.E. Sheikha Alya Ahmed bin Saif Al-Thani

Permanent Representative to the Permanent Mission of Qatar



Until her appointment, H.E. Ms. Al-Thani was her country's Permanent Representative to the United Nations in Geneva since December 2011, before which she served as Ambassador to the Cabinet of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs from August 2011 to October 2011. She was Deputy Permanent Representative at Qatar's Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York from May 2010 to July 2011, having previously been Minister Plenipotentiary from June 2009 to April 2010 and Counsellor from April 2007 to May 2009. From September 2006 to March 2007, Ms. Al-Thani was the Director of the Division of the Rights of the Child in the General Secretariat of Qatar's Supreme Council for Family Affairs, having served as Acting

Director between June 2004 and August 2006. From October 2003 to May 2004, she was a Senior Specialist in the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council's Department of International Relations.

H.E. Ms. Isabelle Picco

Permanent Representative of the Principality of Monaco to the United Nations



Ms. Picco was appointed Permanent Representative to the United Nations on 7 September 2009, having served as Deputy Permanent Representative since 1999. She joined the Mission at its inception in 1993 when Monaco became a Member of the United Nations and has been a member of the official delegation since then. She began her Government career in 1990 in the Ministry of Economy, Finance and Budget, in charge of legal affairs. She received a master research degree in environmental law from the University of Paris 1 in 1987, a master research degree in international law from the University of Paris 2 in 1988, as well as a professional master in law of the production and distribution of energy from the University of Paris 1 in 1989. Ms. Picco is a Knight in the Order of Saint-Charles and is fluent in four languages: French, English, Italian and Spanish.

H.E. Mr. Hassan Al Thawadi,

Chairman, 2022 FIFA World Cup Qatar; Secretary General of the Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy



H.E. Hassan Al Thawadi is the Secretary General of the Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy (SC), the organisation responsible for coordinating amongst public and private entities to ensure that infrastructure and development projects are delivered in readiness for the 2022 FIFA World Cup. His appointment in March 2011 as Secretary General followed on from his role as Chief Executive Officer in Qatar's 2022 Bid Committee, in which he worked closely with Bid Chairman, H.E. Sheikh Mohammed bin Hamad Al Thani, promoting Qatar's ultimately successful attempt to bring the FIFA World Cup to the Middle East for the first time. In addition to this, he also serves as the Chairman of the 2022 FIFA World Cup LLC, – the joint venture between FIFA and the SC responsible for organising and staging the event. In

2013, he was appointed to FIFA's World Cup Organising Committee (the committee responsible for all matters pertaining to the FIFA World Cup) as Special Advisor. A lawyer by profession, Al Thawadi previously served as General Counsel for Qatar Investment Authority (QIA) and Qatar Holding, entities founded by the State of Qatar in 2005 to strengthen the national economy by diversifying into new asset classes and growing Qatar's long-term strategic investments. He was appointed to the board of Qatar Investment Authority by H.H. the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani in July 2020. Al Thawadi also holds board positions on the National Tourism Council, at Katara Hospitality, Qatar International Islamic Bank, and Msheireb Properties. He is a Joint Advisory Board member at Northwestern University Qatar and an Advisory Council member at Hamad bin Khalifa University (College of Humanities and Social Sciences) and Qatar University (College of Business and Economics). Al Thawadi is a graduate in Law from the University of Sheffield and speaks Arabic, English, Spanish, and French

Ms. Daniela Bas

Director, UNDESA Division for Inclusive Social Development



Ms. Daniela Bas was appointed Director of DESA's Division For Inclusive Social Development on 9 May 2011. A politologist specialized in international politics, human rights and social development, Ms. Bas has most recently served as Senior Consultant designated by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs as expert on human rights to Institutes that operate internationally. She has also provided her expertise on anti-discrimination issues at the Presidency of the Council of Ministers. Ms. Bas has worked for close to 10 years for the UN as a Professional Officer in social development and human rights, traveling around the world on behalf of the UN and also as a speaker at international conventions. She has also held a number of other significant assignments including as Special Adviser on "Fundamental Rights" for the former Vice President of the European Commission; as the Italian representative designated by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers on the topic "Tourism for All" to the European Commission; and as journalist and broadcaster for Italian Radio and TV. Ms. Bas is a Board Member of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights and of the Committee to Promote non-Armed and non-Violent Civil Defense of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers. She graduated in Political Science in 1985, with a major in International Politics and wrote a dissertation on "The elimination of architectural barriers and the employment of people with physical disabilities".

Mr. John Barnes

Football Legend, Generation Amazing Football Ambassador



John Barnes is a Jamaican-born English international former professional footballer and manager. He currently works as a commentator and pundit for ESPN and SuperSport. Initially a quick, skillful left winger, he moved to central midfield later in his career. He won two league titles with Liverpool with whom he also won two cup finals at Wembley. He was also a FA Cup runner-up with Watford, Liverpool and Newcastle United. He is currently an Ambassador with Generation Amazing.

Ms. Jayathma Wickramanayake

United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth



Ms. Jayathma Wickramanayake was appointed as the UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth in June 2017 at the age of 26. In this role, Jayathma works to expand the UN's youth engagement and advocacy efforts across all four pillars of work – sustainable development, human rights, peace and security and humanitarian action – and serves as a representative of and advisor to the Secretary-General. Originally from Sri Lanka, Ms. Wickramanayake has worked extensively on youth development and participation, and has played a key role in transforming the youth development sector in her home country. Prior to taking up her post, Ms. Wickramanayake was instrumental in creating the movement for civic and political engagement of young people, especially young women in Sri Lanka named "Hashtag Generation". Previously, she advocated for global youth development on an international level including as the first ever Sri Lankan Youth Delegate to the United Nations and as the

youth lead negotiator and member of the International Youth Task Force of the World Conference on Youth 2014 where she played a critical role in mainstreaming youth in the Post-2015 Process and in the establishment of World Youth Skills Day.

Ms. Jimena Leiva-Roesch

Fellow at the International Peace Institute



From 2009 to March 2015, Jimena was at the Permanent Mission of Guatemala to the UN in New York, where she last served as Counselor. She was the lead negotiator for Guatemala for the 2030 Agenda and for UN climate change negotiations. She has represented the Group of 77 and China in negotiations at the UN. She was also invited to be a facilitator in the Rio+ 20 negotiations. She was an active member of Guatemala's Security Council team from 2012-2013, where Guatemala was a non-permanent member of the Council. She is currently a Senior Fellow with the International Peace Institute.

Dr. Rebecca Webber Gaudiosi

Former US Diplomat to the United Nations



Rebecca E. Webber Gaudiosi represented the United States at the UN from 2006–14, leading on US engagement with over 25 organizations focused on environment and sustainable development. After graduating, she entered the State Department as an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Science and Technology Policy Fellow. During her two-year fellowship, she was placed in the Department’s UN Bureau, briefly working on economic development before taking over the Environment Lead position, where she was responsible for US engagement with more than twenty international bodies working on environment issues. She has also worked with several UN specialized agencies and on bilateral environment issues. Her most recent assignment was at the U.S. Embassy in Cairo.

Mr. Richard Blewitt

IFRC Representative to the UN



Richard Blewitt is the Permanent Observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) to the United Nations. Prior to his appointment, Blewitt served as United Nations Resident Coordinator and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Resident Representative for Trinidad and Tobago, Suriname, Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten, since 2013. From 2006 until 2013, he was CEO of the non-governmental organization HelpAge International, which focuses on issues of ageing. Between 2003 and 2006, he served as IFRC’s Director of Movement Cooperation and Policy Communications. He has also worked in senior capacities at the British Red Cross and Save the Children UK and has been a consultant for the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Geneva. He began his career as a teacher of English with Sudan’s Ministry of Education. Blewitt holds a master’s degree in politics and government from the School of Oriental and Asian Studies in London, and a bachelor’s degree in management from the University of Surrey, also in the United Kingdom.

Dr. Jordan Metzl

Doctor of Sports Medicine



With a practice of more than 20,000 patients, Dr. Metzl is widely known for his passion for sports medicine and fitness. He completed his residency training at Tufts Medical Center in Boston and Sports Medicine Fellowship Training programs at both Vanderbilt University and at Harvard Medical School. In addition to his busy medical practices in New York City and Stamford, Connecticut, Dr. Metzl is the author of the bestselling titles *Running Strong*, *The Exercise Cure*, and *Athlete’s Book of Home Remedies*, and has also authored three other books including *The Young Athlete*. Dr. Metzl is the medical columnist for *Triathlete Magazine*. Dr. Metzl is a highly sought after teacher and fitness instructor. He lectures both nationally and internationally

to health organizations, fitness communities, and in wellness venues on the topics of sports medicine, fitness, and preventive health.

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