



CSO consultations for the Summit of the Future

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Statement as delivered

Your Excellencies,

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute our views to this timely intergovernmental process.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are pleased to join this community to propose action-oriented solutions that make multilateralism work better.

The Common Agenda report and the Zero Draft of the Pact for the Future both call for a renewal of trust in the UN. In addition, the report of the Secretary-General's High-Level Advisory Board on Effective Multilateralism calls for "a system of accountability that will hold all actors responsible for their commitments to future generations", "recognizing the crucial role that incentives, rules, and norms play together in influencing behaviour."

UNaccountable responds to this loud call to strengthen trust through accountability, first by recognizing that the UN's unique and distinguishing feature is as a global, deliberative and consensus-building body, and second by proposing the action-oriented framework of relational accountability as the cornerstone of trust in the UN System. Relational accountability is the key to strengthening the UN's distinguishing deliberative feature by providing a clear framework for analyzing the interactions of the three groups of UN stakeholders (Member States, UN System administrations and non-state actors), exactly where there are areas for improvement in their interaction, and how this makes multilateralism more effective.

Ladies and gentlemen,

In response to a clear call for new, action-oriented steps to improve how the UN system works, UNaccountable provides innovative, actionable input to the Pact for the Future: The Accountability Maturity Assessment Model (AMAM), built on extensive consultations with stakeholders, adds value with relational accountability, reinforcing the UN's distinctive attribute with a new structural approach to the impact of UN's three stakeholder groups in the UN's work, individually and in their interactions with each other.



UNaccountable stands ready to support productive and forward looking intergovernmental consultations for a Pact for the Future that builds the trust necessary for multilateralism that matters.

Thank you.