

Comprehensive Report on the UN Summit of the Future 2024



The UN Summit of the Future 2024 was a pivotal, once-in-a-generation event that gathered world leaders, policymakers, and key stakeholders to engage in high-level discussions aimed at revitalizing multilateralism and strengthening international cooperation. The **Summit of the Future 2024**, organized by the United Nations, took place on September 21-23, 2024. The primary objective of the summit was to devise actionable solutions to accelerate progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and promote a more secure, equitable, and sustainable

future by 2030.



Among the various participants, leadership teams from organizations dedicated to women's empowerment, such as the ***I Believe Global Women's Empowerment Organization*** were actively engaged in discussions on women's empowerment particularly women's leadership in global

governance, and sustainable development.

Key Themes and Objectives



Climate Negotiations and Impact on Developing Countries

One of the most significant aspects of the summit was the focus on climate action, especially its impact on developing countries. Recognizing that Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs) bear the disproportionate brunt of climate change, discussions were

centered on empowering these nations through sustainable climate policies that drive economic progress while addressing environmental challenges.



The summit emphasized the importance of technological and innovative solutions in climate action for LMICs, advocating for the incorporation of clean energy, smart agriculture, and advanced water management systems. These advancements are not only vital for environmental sustainability but are also seen as critical drivers of socio-economic development. By adopting green technologies, LMICs can better manage their natural resources, boost export-oriented

industries, and create sustainable income streams, leading to a reduction in poverty and inequality.



Additionally, discussions stressed the need for climate policies to be inclusive, ensuring that women, youth, and marginalized communities are empowered to contribute to and benefit from climate actions. The integration of climate strategies with poverty reduction initiatives offers a dual approach to combating both

environmental and social challenges, fostering long-term resilience and growth in developing countries.



Addressing Global Inequalities and Financial Architecture Reform

Another key theme of the summit was the issue of global inequality. Despite advancements in various regions, significant disparities persist, particularly between wealthier nations and developing economies. The summit saw

robust debates on how international cooperation could be strengthened to reduce these inequalities, with a particular focus on financial systems that have exacerbated economic vulnerabilities, especially in Africa.



Participants argued that the current global financial architecture often places developing nations at a disadvantage, with predatory lending practices further deepening economic dependence and debt crises. There were calls to reform these structures, moving away from exploitative financial practices, such as

high-risk loans extended by some nations, particularly China, which have placed many African countries in precarious financial positions.

Financing for Development: Summit attendees advocated for a more equitable



approach to financing, highlighting the need for innovative financial solutions that support sustainable development. The use of public-private partnerships was championed as a key strategy to mobilize resources without overburdening developing countries with unsustainable debt.

Financial innovations, including impact investing, blended finance, and sustainable bonds, were highlighted as



potential tools for creating development opportunities that are both scalable and sustainable.



The summit underscored the need for stronger public-private partnerships and innovative financing mechanisms to ensure that development efforts are inclusive, resilient, and impactful.

Participation of the "I Believe Global Women's Empowerment Organisation" in the Summit of the Future

The I Believe Global Women's Empowerment Organization and other women-led groups participation were significant at the summit. The Organisation's participation reinforced the need for gender equality and women's leadership in addressing global challenges such as climate change and financial reform. The summit also explored the intersection of women's empowerment with peace and security issues, particularly in conflict-affected regions.



The outcome of these discussions was the Pact for the Future, which placed women's rights and gender equality at its core. The empowerment of women/ girls and youth was recognized as essential for achieving sustainable development goals and tackling global inequalities, aligning perfectly with the mission and vision of *the I*

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Creating Partnerships for ICGE-24



The side event hosted by the **I Believe Global Women's Empowerment Organisation** not only promoted ICGE-24 but also served as an opportunity to build new partnerships with international organizations, governments, and civil society.

These partnerships are crucial for the organization's mission as well as the success of the conference, which aims to amplify gender equality efforts across Africa and globally.



The Summit's Impact and Its Alignment with IBG's Mission



The UN Summit of the Future 2024 not only engaged world leaders and policymakers but also involved various civil society actors, youth representatives, and private sector leaders, each contributing to a global dialogue on shared responsibilities and collaborative efforts. For individuals and organizations involved in development programs, the summit's outcomes provide crucial guidance on aligning their efforts with broader international goals.

The discussions around climate change, inequality, and financial reforms are particularly relevant for stakeholders working at the grassroots level. Local organizations can now leverage the global consensus to seek new partnerships and



funding opportunities, especially in climate-smart technologies and financial innovations. The emphasis on inclusivity ensures that diverse groups, including women and youth, remain central to development strategies, aligning with the values of empowerment and equity that many local initiatives aim to uphold.

Conclusion



The UN Summit of the Future 2024 was a landmark event that reaffirmed the importance of multilateralism and international cooperation in addressing the world's most pressing challenges. By focusing on critical issues such as climate change, global inequality, and financial architecture reform, the summit paved the way for more inclusive, equitable, and sustainable development strategies. The emphasis on empowering developing countries, reforming predatory financial practices, and integrating technology and innovation into climate action reflects a comprehensive approach to fostering global progress.

As the world moves forward, the actionable insights and commitments from this summit will play a crucial role in accelerating progress toward the SDGs, ensuring that



no country is left behind. It is now up to global leaders, private sectors, and civil society to maintain the momentum and work collaboratively to turn these discussions into real-world solutions, ultimately shaping a more secure and just future for all.

The *I Believe Global Women's Empowerment Organisation's* participation and promotion of the **2nd International Conference on Gender Equality (ICGE-24)**



further showcased the crucial role of **global partnerships** in advancing **gender equality**, both across **Africa** and globally. This highlighted the critical need for building global partnerships to advance gender equality, both in Africa and worldwide.



Additionally, the summit provided a platform for sharing best practices and lessons learned from successful development models, particularly in countries that have made significant strides despite economic challenges. This exchange of ideas is crucial for developing tailored

approaches that address the unique circumstances of individual regions.

Report submitted by the IBG representatives at the summit