



Monday 22 August

**Summit of the Future Stakeholder Briefing Session
UN Women National Gender Youth Advocates (NGYAs) Statement**

Thank you, Your Excellencies for the floor, for convening this space and for Your leadership in these processes.

I would like to speak on behalf of the UN Women National Gender Youth Advocates.

Considering the importance of multistakeholder participation, we would like to express the importance of the full, effective, meaningful and substantive participation of youth, in all our diversity, in the preparations for the Summit, at the Summit itself, and in supporting the shaping of the outcome document - as co-leaders.

Earlier this year at the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), as youth, we were able to meaningfully participate in influencing the negotiations of the Agreed Conclusions and Methods of Work.

We would like to kindly draw your attention to these successes of youth participation at CSW. We encourage Your Excellencies and Member States to bring in and build on language that was integrated, regarding youth participation, in the revised CSW Methods of Work - particularly noting the encouragement of Member States to include youth in their delegations, and having a formal session that facilitates interactive dialogue between youth and Member States.

We have shared our concrete suggestions to Your Excellencies on how the modalities can be strengthened, and we are grateful for your consideration.

Thank you.

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