The side event has been a contribution to the deliberations of Open Working Group on “Global Partnership for Sustainable Development” and it was basically a call on OWG to design SDGs in a way that these SDGs can become the foundation of a global partnership for SD that is being shared and supported by 7 billion global citizens.

The rationale for this call is that these 7 billion global citizens make in their everyday lives billions of resource use decisions that are relevant for SDGs and because we believe that SDGs need to find their way into the hearts and minds of 7 billion global citizens, so that the global multistakeholder partnership for SD including governments, private sector and other societal institutions will work with more ambition towards SDG implementation.

Main recommendation of the side event to OWG’s work is that SDGs Implementation architecture shall foresee entry points for reporting and monitoring of SDG related commitments and implementation action of global citizens based on the conceptual framework of “Local Provision of Global Public Goods”.

Panelists made a series of further concrete proposals to OWG on how to design SDGs in a way that they related to everyday life and resource use decisions of global citizens which can be watched on UN Web TV video-on-demand- page http://webtv.un.org/

Speakers:

Panelists

- Miroslav Polzer, IAAI
- Rolf Holub, Minister for Sustainable Development and Energy, Regional Government of the Province of Carinthia/Austria (video message)
- Lisinka Ulatowska Commons Cluster for the United Nations and Commons Abundance Network (10 min)
- Michael Platzer The Academic Council on the United Nations System Vienna UN Conference 2014 (video message) (3 min)
- Sharon Hamilton Getz The NGO Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns NY and The Role of Spirituality and Values in Civic Engagement for SDGs (10 min)
- Ravi Karkara, Global Expert Adviser Children and Youth UN Habitat/ UN Millennium Campaign
- Christina Stevens, award winning author and film maker
- Patrick Sciarratta, Friendship Ambassadors Foundation
- Natasha Ardiani, President’s Delivery Unit for Development Monitoring and Oversight, Republic of Indonesia & Indonesian Youth Delegate to the 68th General Assembly

Discussion

- Andrew Black, Policy Analyst, Assembly of First Nations
- N.N. UN Foundation Office NY
- Katrina Fernandez, UN DPI Ngo Youth Representative