



2026 HLPF Debriefing & Next Steps

**JCoR Training Programme for the
HLPF on Sustainable Development**



Our plan for today:

- Recall and reflect on our experience preparing for and participating in the 2026 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)
- Share some of the key lessons we are taking away from the experience
- Exchange our intentions for follow-up action
- Recommend next steps for staying connected with JCoR and the UN system



Recollection of our journey to and through the HLPF

January 2026



- Introduction to the Justice Coalition of Religious (JCoR)
- Introduction to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Role of Religious congregations in the UN system and the SDGs

February 2026

Introductions to...

- the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)
- Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs)
- Pathways for civil society participation in the VNR process and HLPF



February to April 2026



- Regional calls to meet other delegates from your global region and learn about their ministries
- Independent, virtual participation in Regional Fora on Sustainable Development, which are sponsored by the UN Economic and Social Commission in each global region

March 2026



- Check in on progress toward participation in:
 - *VNR Teams (groups that crafted and delivered response to government presentations during the HLPF)*
 - *National civil-society networks that are monitoring SDG progress*
- How to locate and reflect on national SDG progress reports that were submitted *by civil society* to previous HLPF sessions

May 2026



- Reflections from the Regional Fora for Sustainable Development
- Where we find Voluntary National Review (VNR) reports that our respective national governments and civil society networks have submitted to the HLPF
- Guidance for reflecting on and critiquing the VNR reports from governments
- Schedule and design for the “JCoR SDG Lab” sessions during the HLPF

June 2026

- HLPF programme logistics
 - *Where to watch*
 - *Recommended events*
 - *Social media engagement*
- Final preparations for the JCoR SDG Lab



HLPF: 7-15 July 2026

- “Welcome gathering” with discussion of the true definitions of “sustainability” and “development”
- Daily reflections and debriefings of our experiences with JCoR friends
- JCoR co-sponsored side events



OFFICIAL SIDE EVENT OF THE 2026 HLPF

YOUTH VOICES FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE:

EXPERIENCES, PERSPECTIVES, AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON SDGs 6, 7, 9, 11, AND 17




ONLINE VIA ZOOM
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2026
TIME: 8:30AM EDT

Expressed through meaningful dialogue, young people from around the world will share their lived realities on the ground. Youth speakers from India, Philippines, Spain, and Ukraine will discuss their experiences, perspectives, and recommendations on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) under-in-depth review at the 2026 HLPF.

REGISTER HERE: [HTTP://BIT.LY/4VOAKFM](http://bit.ly/4VOAKFM)




OFFICIAL SIDE EVENT OF THE 2026 HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM - SUSTAINABLE FUTURES FOR ALL - GET INSPIRATION FROM THE DOCUMENTARY:

TOUGH OLD BROADS

TUESDAY, JULY 14 | 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM
BAHA'I INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY
866 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA, SUITE 120
NEW YORK, NY

The 3 women featured in this film are embodiments of the SDG agenda as lived, fought-for realities.



Their stories speak to the goals of HLPF 2026, illuminated through a lens of gender equality and the wisdom, vitality, and determination that comes with age.



Stacey Tenenbaum
Director & Producer

Kathrine Switzer
First woman to officially run the Boston Marathon

Sharon Farmer
First woman & person of colour to become the official Chief White House Photographer

Silla Watt-Cloutier
First woman to initiate legal action against the U.S. gov't for its role in climate change

Join us for a film screening and stay afterward for a conversation with the director and film subjects.

REGISTER NOW, SPACE IS LIMITED



HLPF 2026 Parallel Event

Communities of Hope:

Advancing Human Dignity and Development for Sustainable Futures

Join us to explore how grassroots communities and faith leaders are turning the SDGs into lived realities—building more inclusive, peaceful, and sustainable societies rooted in ethical, cultural, and spiritual values.

Featured Speakers and Panelists



• Rev. Msgr. Marco Formica, Counselor, Permanent Observer Mission of The Holy See to the United Nations

• Rev. Dr. Liberato "Levi" Bautista, The United Methodist Church

• Joan Talasan, Medical Mission Sisters Associate

• Yolanda Jimenez, Collaborator of The Society of the Sacred Heart

• Sr. Linette Pierre-Gilles, School Sisters of Notre Dame

• Nicole Quintero, Youth collaborator with The Society of the Sacred Heart

In Person and Zoom event on Friday, July 10, 2026, 9:00-10:30 AM (New York Time)

Venue: 10th Floor, Church Center
 777 United Nations Plaza, East 44th Street, NYC

Sponsored by:

- Proclade International - The Society of the Sacred Heart - Medical Mission Sisters
- Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary - School Sisters of Notre Dame
- Dominican Leadership Conference - Justice Coalition of Religious

Registration required: [REGISTER HERE](#)

Scan QR code for the concept note

Light refreshments will be available




OFFICIAL SIDE EVENT OF THE 2026 HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM -

THIRST, HYGIENE, AND DIGNITY:

The Hidden Face of Homelessness under SDGs 6, 7, 9, 11 and 17

More than **1.6 billion people** worldwide lack adequate housing, and at least **150 million** are entirely without shelter.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY

Time: 8:30am - 10:00am EDT (New York)
Venue: Zoom (see registration below)
Format:

- Keynote speaker
- Panelists from Argentina, Canada, Kenya, Nigeria, including those with lived experience
- Discussion and Q&A



This side event brings together member states, UN system entities, civil society, and persons with lived experience of homelessness.

Discover how homelessness intersects clean water, affordable energy, digital and physical infrastructure, and safe and inclusive cities.

Register here:



<http://bit.ly/4otGOKX>



Welcome Gathering for In-Person Delegates in New York



Evening Reflections for Delegates in New York

JCoR
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for the
2026 HLPF



Debriefing for Delegates
to the 2026 HLPF

SDG 7: Affordable, reliable, sustainable
and modern energy for all



JCoR Reflection & Debriefing for the
2026 HLPF on Sustainable Development



“Building Justly: Whose Progress?”

SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure

“Construir con justicia: ¿el progreso de quién?”

ODS 9: Industria, Innovación e Infraestructura

« Construire avec justice : le progrès de qui ? »

ODD 9 : Industrie, innovation et infrastructures

“Construir com justiça: o progresso de quem?”

ODS 9: Indústria, Inovação e Infraestrutura





SDG 6 Lab



- Mr. Ferdinand Männle, lay associate, Congregations of St. Joseph, Norway
- Ms. Sanou sou Salomé Dimidia, partner, Claretian Missionaries, Burkina Faso
- Sr. Mirriam Nkole, Dominican Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Zambia
- Fr. Yaméogo Sibi Basile, Claretian Missionaries, Burkina Faso
- Sr. Ana Helena Andreão, Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary, Brazil

7 AFFORDABLE AND
CLEAN ENERGY



SDG 7 Lab



- Fr. Alphonse Marie Ekra Koménan, Claretian Missionaries, Burkina Faso
- Sr. Margaret Mwarili, Society of the Sacred Heart, Kenya
- Br. Danilo Dambroz Soprani, Claretian Missionaries, Brazil
- Fr. Jean-Narcisse Sekre Kouame Adjoumani, Claretian Missionaries, Burkina Faso



SDG 9 Lab



- Ms. Helga Haass-Männle, lay associate, Congregations of St. Joseph, Norway
- Sr. Donatus Lili, Congregation of our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Ms. Anika Banerji, partner, Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Loreto Generalate, Australia
- Fr. S. Gilbert Kissou, Claretian Missionaries, Burkina Faso



SDG 11 Lab



- Fr. Anthony Prakash Lohale, Dominican Friars & Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Loreto Generalate, Canada
- Br. Joel Gaspar Beltrame, Claretian Missionaries, Brazil
- Sr. Rosemary Mwagarezano, Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary, Zimbabwe



SDG 17 Lab



- Ms. María José Llamosas Alfonso, partner, Salesian Missions, Paraguay
- Ms. Joséphine Sebogo, partner, Claretian Missionaries, Burkina Faso
- Sr. Joan Pikiell, School Sisters of Notre Dame, Brazil
- Ms. Leonilla Wapi, The Grail, Papua New Guinea



JCoR HLPF Programme Evaluation

Please share your feedback!



***Complete the evaluation form for
JCoR's HLPF Delegation Programme:***

<https://forms.gle/oMwxp1VDEytWh5qD6>



Reflecting on our Journey

Reflect:

1. What is the most important lesson or insight you gained through your participation in the ***JCoR's training programme & SDG Lab*** for the HLPF?
2. What questions do you have as you emerge from the experience of the JCoR SDG Lab and the UN HLPF itself?
3. How would you like to build upon this experience? (e.g. Is there some action you would like to take to share the lessons and insights you gained? To monitor SDG progress in your country or local community? To integrate advocacy into your ministry?)
4. How can we improve our JCoR training programme & SDG Lab for future delegates to the HLPF?



How to continue your engagement with JCoR

Contact your congregation's UN office



**Find links to
many of their
websites here:**

<https://jcor2030.org/members/>



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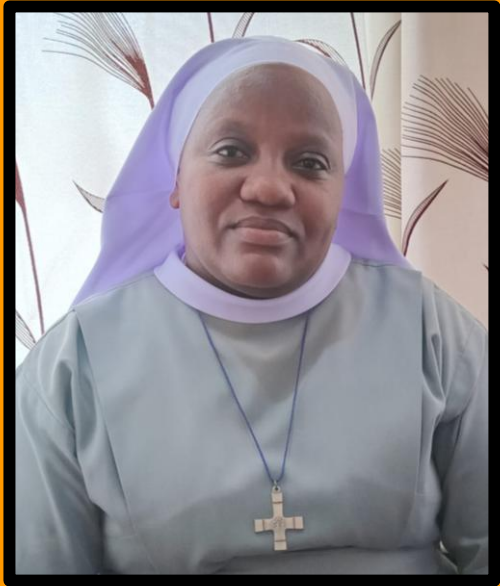
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GLOBAL UPDATES

United Nations



From 11-22 November 2024, United Nations Member States, civil society, and other stakeholders will gather in Baku, Azerbaijan for the **29th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP29)**.

The **29th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP29)**, also referred to as the UN conference on climate change. At this annual conference, governments' representatives come together to negotiate and agree upon actions to address climate change, such as limiting global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius, helping vulnerable countries adapt to the effects of climate change, and achieving net-zero emissions by 2050. In addition to delegates from UN Member States, climate-concerned leaders from civil society, indigenous groups, academia, younger generations, and the private sector will also assemble to discuss how to accelerate a collective response to the climate crisis. At COP29, all of these actors will discuss the key priority of establishing a new goal on climate finance, ensuring every country has the means to take strong climate action, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and build resilient communities.

JCoR created a **guide to COP29**, including information about the conference and how you can participate. Visit the [JCoR website](#) to access this guide in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish. We encourage you to use this resource and share it with your networks to add your voice to these important conversations. Join us in holding our governments accountable to transitioning to renewable energy, phasing out fossil fuels, strengthening climate resilience, and providing the financial resources to put climate solutions into action **now**.

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Welcome to JCoR's "Member of the Month" column, a space designed to facilitate relationship building between local-level voices and JCoR's members serving in the United Nations community. We invite all our readers to utilize this resource to learn more about one another and foster new connections. This month, we are excited to introduce **Despoina Atroditi Milaki**.



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[International Presentation Association](#)

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REGIONAL UPDATES

East & Southern Africa



The JCoR Network of Zimbabwe submitted reports from different congregations to the UNFCCC – **COP29**. These reports addressed matters of social protection, human rights, and employment, in order to create a comprehensive statement about the reality of Zimbabwe that can be used for the meeting in Baku, Azerbaijan, from November 11-22, 2024.

In commemoration of **Zimbabwe's National Tree-Planting Day** (second Saturday in December), the national JCoR Network is also preparing to conduct a tree-planting in areas of Bulawayo with enough water. The effort will be made possible by donations and volunteers. In tandem with the planting, the group will provide sensitization on the need for trees in our rural areas, the danger of cutting trees without replanting, and which trees are best suited to the water conditions in that region. They emphasize in all their planting campaigns that their purpose is not only to beautify but also to support the survival of plants and animals alike in their local environment.

India



JCoR Network - India will facilitate an upcoming workshop in Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh on "Constitution, Social Justice, and Minority Rights," from 7-10 November 2024. In addition, JCoR's West India Coordinator is also planning a **workshop on rights-based advocacy** which will be held in **Vadodara, Gujarat** from 28 to 30 November. It will include an introduction to JCoR, to the work of Religious congregations in the UN system, to the Sustainable Development Goals, and to engagement in advocacy for systemic change in India. To register for this workshop, please complete this [registration form](#).

Latin America and the Caribbean



From 21 October to 1 November 2024, representatives of UN Member States, civil society, Indigenous Peoples, and other stakeholders gathered in Cali, Colombia, for the 16th session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (COP16), also known as the **UN Biodiversity Conference**.



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guides for virtual participation in UN conferences

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Strengthening solidarity, social
inclusion, and social cohesion



Read & Share JCoR's Guides to major UN Conferences

Published in **English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese**, in advance of UN conferences on:

- social inequalities
- gender equality
- rights of Indigenous Peoples
- Climate change
- SDG progress review



Attend JCoR's Global Community Hour

- One-hour virtual gathering
- second Friday of each month
(13:00-14:00 Universal Coordinated Time)
- Prayer on a justice-related theme
- Updates from JCoR at the UN and regional networks
- Sharing of concerns, good practices, and news from individual network members



Poll coming to you via email and via our current WhatsApp group:

With which type of JCoR WhatsApp group would you be most likely to stay *actively engaged* (i.e. read messages, post your own messages, respond to others)?

Option A:

A global JCoR WhatsApp group with only those in your own language group (English, Spanish, Portuguese, French)

Option B:

A regional JCoR WhatsApp group with only those from your same global region (i.e. Africa, Asia-Pacific, Europe/North America, Latin America)



Next Steps: Beyond the HLPF



Next steps: Engagement with the HLPF

- **Complete the evaluation form** for JCoR's HLPF Delegation Programme:
<https://forms.gle/oMwxp1VDEytWh5qD6> **no later than 25 August**
- Revisit and/or share recordings of JCoR's SDG Lab (will be posted on [our YouTube channel](#) and [the JCoR website](#) in English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese)
- Host a "sharing" or informational session with members of your congregation/organisation to share what you have learned as an HLPF delegate



Next steps: Engagement with the SDGs

- Continue communicating or attempting to connect with a civil society network monitoring SDGs in your country
- Continue communicating with your representatives at the UN to share your experiences and concerns related to systems and practices that support or obstruct justice and peace

Next steps: Engagement with JCoR



- Watch your mailbox for **newsletters and other announcements from JCoR** (contribute to written statements, invitations to help us identify potential delegates for next year's HLPF, join us for a future JCoR training or UN conference, etc.)
- Mark your calendars for **second Friday of each month at 13:00 (Universal Coordinated Time)** in order to join JCoR for **Global Community Hour: <https://bit.ly/JCoRCommunity>**
- **Engage with the JCoR WhatsApp group** for your country or region
- **Invite and encourage** other members of your congregation/organisation to engage with JCoR via all the above

***Thank you for being a member of
JCoR's 2026 Delegation to
the HLPF on Sustainable
Development!***



***When spider webs unite,
they can tie up a lion.***

-Ethiopian proverb