

# Beyond Sustainability: Shaping Institutions to Safeguarding the Rights of Future Generations



**Date & Time:** 23 September 2024 10:30–12:00 AM (UTC-4)

**Online:** Via Zoom

**In Person:** Open Society Foundation, 224 W 53rd Street

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## About the Event:

“Beyond Sustainability” will explore the necessary tools, powers, and structures for institutions representing future generations to impact today’s decision-making processes effectively, and why these institutions go beyond current sustainability actions. This session aims to foster a discussion on the tools and powers needed to have a concrete impact in today’s decision-making process, and why institutions for future generations must go beyond current sustainability actions.

## Highlights

- 1** Legal and Policy Frameworks: Need for legal mandates and policy structures for institutions representing future generations.
- 2** Youth and Community Engagement: Importance of involving youth and community-driven approaches in shaping frameworks.
- 3** Designing Institutions and Next Steps: Developing blueprints for ideal institutions and outlining practical steps to advance future generations' representation.

## Key Discussion Points

The discussion will focus on identifying the essential tools, legal mandates, and policy frameworks needed for institutions representing future generations, emphasizing the need to go beyond current sustainability models. Key points include the importance of youth and community involvement, integrating cultural and generational perspectives, and developing actionable strategies to enhance institutional representation of future generations.

## Speakers and Moderators

Marie Biermann (Management Board, World Future Council), Klaus Bosselmann (Professor of Environmental Law and Founding Director of the New Zealand Centre for Environmental Law), Lena Dente (Energy & Just Development Programme Manager, World Future Council), Jacob Dafydd Ellis (Director for External Relations and Culture, Office of the Future Generations Commissioner), Thato Angelina Gabaitse (Climate, Youth, and Parent Activist), Emilie Gillard (Expert & Advocate on the Rights of Future Generations), Marie-Claire Graf (World Future Council and Youth Negotiators Academy), Neshan Gunasekera (World Future Council and Co-Chair, Earth Trusteeship Working Group), Gina Kozianka (GIZ - German Agency for International Cooperation), Cyril Ritchie (Senior Policy Advisor, World Future Council and First Vice President CoNGO), Alimi Salifou (Impact Coalition for Future Generations), Alyn Ware (World Future Council and World Federalist Movement)



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