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INVITATION

EVERYONE COUNTS: Using citizen-generated data for accountability towards the SDGs

Side event at the UN High-level Political Forum

Organized by CARE International, World Vision and Kwantu in partnership with CBM International

Thursday 14 July 2016

1:15pm – 2:30pm

Conference Room E, UN Conference Building, New York

The 2030 Agenda is about the people, for the people and with the people. The notion of accountability to all citizens supports this and is also the guarantee for the overarching principle of 'Leaving No One Behind'. The success of the 2030 Agenda depends on mechanisms in place that provide opportunities for citizens to raise their voice and participate. This must be supported by data as a key foundation for decision making. **Join us to rally support to push this agenda forward and spread the word!** The discussion will provide good practice, concrete examples and practical recommendations for linking citizen's participation in the data revolution and accountability mechanisms for the Agenda 2030, serving as an example for national and regional multi-stakeholder collaboration.

Moderated by John Romano, **Coordinator TAP Network**; **Speakers:** Jouni Laaksonen, **Deputy Permanent Representative of Finland (Opening Remarks)**; Sanjeev Khagram, **Coordinator for Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data**; Gaia Gozzo, **Head of Governance CARE International**; Chris Derksen-Hiebert, **Director of External Relations at World Vision**; Rob Worthington, **Director at Kwantu**; Mosharraf Hossain, **Director of Global Policy, Influencing and Research**, representing the Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities; Sylvia Beales, **Head of Strategic Alliances HelpAge International/Co chair SGA**; **Respondent:** Oli Henman, **CIVICUS Head of International Networks**; **Member State Co-Sponsors:** UK Department for International Development, Group of Friends of Older People

This event will inspire action, introduce the *Everyone Counts* Initiative and elaborate on:

- **The importance and relevance of accountability to all citizens everywhere and how this can be strengthened by citizen-generated data and enhance official statistics**
- **Examples of data collection from two marginalized groups: older persons and persons with disabilities**
- **Opportunities to improve SDG outcomes and local service provision through delivering social accountability approaches - like community scorecards - at scale through multiple partners**
- **How, by using ICTs, social accountability approaches that produce citizen-generated data can be scaled up and aggregated to contribute to SDG monitoring**
- **How multiple partners can collaborate to connect and utilize data at national and regional levels for joint advocacy, learning and generating public dialogue around priority areas**

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