



UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LOCAL TRACK

New York, USA 9-28 September 2025

The Local Track is a collective effort of the United Nations Local2030 Coalition and its partners to showcase discussions on SDG localization taking place in and around the 80th Session of the UN General Assembly.



OFFICIAL UNGA EVENTS

The 80th session of the United Nations General Assembly – under the theme "Better Together: 80 Years and More for Peace, Development and Human Rights" – comes at a pivotal moment to renew global commitment to multilateralism, solidarity and shared action for people and the planet. This year's high-level week highlights the urgency of delivering on the promise of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and reinvigorating global cooperation. Below are a few highlighted official activities related to the SDGs or local issues taking place at UNGA80:

SDG MOMENT

Date and Time: 22 September, 14:00-16:00 EDT

Venue: Economic and Social Council Chamber, UN HQ,

New York

Focus: This multi-stakeholder panel will spotlight how diverse community leadership, grounded in lived experience and innovation, is driving action and investment in locally-led development to help build a more just, peaceful, inclusive, and

prosperous world.

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CLIMATE SUMMIT

Date and Time: 24 September, 14:00-19:00 EDT

Venue: UN HQ, New York

Focus: Convening leaders from government, business, and civil society to advance action on mitigation, adaptation, finance, and information integrity, ensuring solutions are rooted in local community needs and aligned with the Paris Agreement and

COP30 priorities.

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SDG MEDIA ZONE

Date: 22 – 26 September

Organizer: UN Department of Global Communications, PVBLIC

Foundation

Venue: UN HQ, New York

Focus: The SDG Media Zone will feature interviews and conversations to bring sustainable development discussions into public discourse, highlighting the transformation needed to

accelerate and localize the SDGs.

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EVENTS TAKING PLACE ON THE MARGINS OF UNGA80

THURSDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2025

LOCAL ACTION FOR GLOBAL CHALLENGES HARNESSING THE POWER OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES, INNOVATION AND YOUTH FOR OUR COMMON FUTURE

Time: 10:00 - 20:00 EDT

Organizer: International Association for the Advancement of Innovative Approaches to Global Challenges IAAI, GloCha Global Challenges Foundation, New York Inc., Permanent Mission of The Bahamas to the UN in NY, UN-Habitat Youth Programme, International Organization of Youth IYC, Climate Chain Coalition, Evercity

Venue: Trusteeship Council Chamber, UN HQ, New York

Focus: Engaging citizens and youth, promoting digital innovation, and localizing the Sustainable Development Goals,

with a particular focus on the systemic role of digital public infrastructure.

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MONDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 2025

SDG INNOVATION POWERHOUSE: CATALYZING SYSTEM CHANGE

Time: 09:00 - 12:00 EDT Organizer: UN Global Compact

Venue: Park Hub (A&B), Convene 101 Park Avenue, New York

Focus: Inspiring leaders and guided workshops offering real-world strategies, tools, and action plans to turn SDG

ideas into scalable, local impact.

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LOCALLY LED, GLOBALLY BACKED: A COMMON ADVOCACY AGENDA FOR EDUCATION IN EMERGENCIES

Time: 09:00 - 10:30 EDT

Organizer: Global Campaign for Education, Inter-agency Network for Education in Emergencies, Street Child

Venue: Allen & Overy Shearmen Offices, 599 Lexington Avenue, New York

Focus: Engaging key stakeholders to discuss the changes needed to build an education sector that is more

equitable, locally led, and more sustainably financed.

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LOCALIZING THE GLOBAL DIGITAL COMPACT: MAYORS FOR DIGITAL COOPERATION

Time: 12:30 – 13:30 EDT

Organizer: UN Office for Digital and Emerging Technologies, UN-Habitat

Venue: 7th Floor, Ease 605 3rd Avenue, New York

Focus: High-level dialogue on local leadership in advancing the Global Digital Compact, showcasing how cities can

share solutions to harness technology and bridge digital divides.

INVESTING IN TOMORROW: SUSTAINABLE FINANCE IN EUROPE

Time: 13:00 - 15:00 EDT Organizer: UN Global Compact

Venue: Chrysler Forum, Convene 101 Park Avenue, New York

Focus: Exploring how innovative finance, blended models, and multi-stakeholder partnerships can unlock capital to

accelerate SDGs, advance localized climate action, and drive inclusive, green transitions.

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TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2025

BUILDING LOCAL TO GLOBAL CLIMATE COALITIONS. POWERED BY COMMUNITIES

Time: 10:00 - 12:00 EDT

Organizer: Tishman Environment, Design Center, Center for Investigative Reporting, Sustainable Energy and

Environment Coalition Institute

Venue: Tishman Auditorium at the New School, 63 5th Avenue, New York

Focus: Bringing together multisectoral leaders who are building and sustaining emerging climate coalitions, both

local and global, to shape strategies for a sustainable economy and healthier, more resilient futures.

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PROXIMITY NOW! STRENGTHEN LOCAL SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR A POST-ODA WORLD

Time: 14:30 – 16:00 EDT

Organizer: Movement for Community-Led Development, EPIC-Africa, Foundation for a Just Society

Venue: 23 W 20th Street, New York

Focus: Identifying actions needed to advance community-led development and build a strong, resilient local

ecosystem for development. **More Information:** click <u>here</u>

THURSDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2025

YOKOHAMA SMART CITY COLLABORATION FORUM

Time: 10:00 – 15:00 EDT Organizer: City of Yokohama

Venue: 1251 Avenue of the Americas, New York

Focus: Aiming to foster cross-regional collaboration among cities to accelerate climate action, resilience, and

scalable urban solutions through policy, finance, and technology.

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LOCAL SOLUTIONS FOR GLOBAL GOALS

Time: 13:00 - 14:00 EDT

Organizer: UN Office for Partnerships

Venue: UN HQ, Goals Lounge (Library Building, 3rd Floor), New York

Focus: Highlighting how local governments, communities, and civic platforms are driving global change by

translating the SDGs into people-centered urban innovations and inclusive local initiatives.

ADVANCING LOCAL CLIMATE LEADERSHIP THROUGH A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

Time: 10:30 - 12:00 EDT

Organizer: Building Performance Partnership

Venue: 31 Chambers Street, New York, NY 10007, and online

Focus: Exploring local initiatives driving building decarbonization in the U.S. and highlighting strategies to scale

local hubs to increase building energy efficiency.

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