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## **Terms and Conditions of the Principles for Participation of Civil Society Organizations and Social Actors**

A large number of representatives of civil society and other social actors will attend the activities that are organized by the Summits Secretariat, which will also provide an open forum for this sector to engage in dialogue and exchange views with the countries participating in the Summit process.

The Summits Secretariat expects all activities to take place in workspaces that are safe and productive for all participants. This document therefore establishes the rules of conduct each participant is expected to observe.

- We are committed to having the diversity of views and the rich and constructive discussions represented based on plurality and respect. In that regard, participants must commit to ensuring that these workspaces are welcoming and respectful for all participants, regardless of national origin, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, age, sexual orientation, disability, or physical appearance.
- No form of harassment of event participants or event organizers will be tolerated. Examples of harassment include offensive comments, verbal threats, intimidation, stalking, harassment via photographs or recordings, disturbing behavior at sessions or events, and unwanted physical contact or sexual attention.
- Participants must follow these rules of participation, at all times. If a participant is asked to cease any improper behavior, he or she must immediately comply with the request.
- In the event these principles are violated, the Summits Secretariat will reserve the right to decide whether the participants involved will stay, inviting them to leave the event without the right to continue participating; and the right to consider taking such measures as it deems appropriate to safeguard the principles of pluralism and respect. If applicable, individual penalties will be determined at the discretion of the organizers.