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ABOUT THE GLOBAL SOLUTIONS SUMMIT 2024

In its 8th year, the Global Solutions Summit continues to take place in a world of a growing number of crises that unfold across the globe. At this point, decision makers and the public understand that we are in a polycrisis. In many cases, we even know what steps need to be taken – yet we are not moving forward. How can we overcome this paralysis to make positive changes together? How can we enable all stakeholders involved to move beyond the crisis – together?

- **On May 6 and 7, 2024, at ESMT Berlin, the #GSS2024 offers a reenergized focus on finding solutions, locating key hurdles and spotlighting programs, ideas and initiatives that offer a way forward. With the theme “Moving Beyond the Crisis: Mobilizing Change for Global Prosperity”, we want to better understand what is holding us back, and how we can ramp up progress.**

The two-day conference gathers 1000 representatives from different stakeholder groups onsite in Berlin – and thousands more online – to work on solutions for economic, social and environmental wellbeing.

Sessions at the Summit are clustered around the following central themes:

- - Inequality
 - Poverty, social inclusion & common global goods
 - Sustainability, climate action & just energy transition
 - Biodiversity
 - Multilateralism & international financial architecture
 - Digital transformation
 - Global health
 - Systems change & economic paradigm change

Specifically, we want to discuss:

- What are key barriers that stand in the way of identified solutions? What is holding us back from delivering on the solutions?
 - What would be key enabling conditions for effective solutions, especially considering economic, social and environmental wellbeing? What needs to be done for *systemic* change?
 - Who needs to be involved to make it work? Which stakeholders (academia, policy, civil society, business) and at which levels (global, regional, local) do we need action and support from?
- The sessions at the Summit have well-specified purposes and aim to deliver concrete results. For that, we have planned various documenting approaches to build on ideas and proposals across sessions. The program is structured into three tracks, and the sequencing of thematically related sessions allows participants to carry forward insights over the two days.

In the **Solution Forum**, high-level ideas and discussions are presented as common starting points to address key challenges and to sketch global, multi-lateral solutions.

Solution Deep Dives are discussion spaces for specialists and active stakeholders to share unique insights, relevant research and best practices to formulate concrete, effective and practical solutions. Deep Dives are set up as hybrid sessions to involve both onsite and online participants.

Solution Dialogues allow for ample time and space, using selective formats, for interactive exchanges. Here, it is possible to engage with smaller groups of onsite 20-80 participants, expanding the solutions space further.

The Global Solutions Summit continues to be a steppingstone for the T20 and G20 process. Thematic priorities are informed by the G20 presidency and T20 working groups have a central seat at the table to support the shaping of the Summit program.