



## **Second World Summit for Social Development**

### **The Social Accelerator – Glocal Training and Research for Inclusive Growth**

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#### **Background on the event**

Inclusive social development requires innovative approaches that connect global knowledge with locally tailored action. Challenges such as poverty, inequality, unemployment, and social fragmentation underscore the importance of education, training, research, and multi-sector collaboration in building social resilience and promoting equitable growth. In line with the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the World Social Summit objectives, and the OECD Education 2030 framework, initiatives like UNITAR's CIFAL Global Network aim to provide practical, replicable pathways to advance ethical governance, gender equality, youth empowerment, and sustainable community development.

#### **Key Issues discussed**

- The central role of education, training, and research in strengthening social resilience, fostering ethical governance, and promoting equitable and sustainable development.

- The importance of localizing the SDGs, illustrated through CIFAL Doha and Lusail University initiatives that translate global frameworks into actionable national and municipal strategies.
- The promotion of youth and women's empowerment, including the Women and Water Taskforce and gender-responsive governance programs that enhance community resilience and inclusive growth.
- The value of multi-sector collaboration, involving governments, UN agencies, industry, academia, youth networks, civil society, and philanthropists to co-create sustainable solutions.
- The CIFAL Global Network's model of coordination, cooperation, and competencies, demonstrating how cross-regional knowledge exchange accelerates social development.
- The need for replicable and scalable glocal solutions that combine global expertise with context-specific implementation.
- The role of digitalization, inclusive leadership, and innovation, as supported by CIFAL London's capacity-building programmes, in promoting decent work and social integration.
- The importance of ethical governance and anti-corruption training as foundational pillars for transparency, trust, and sustainable social progress.

## **Key recommendations for action / [commitments for the Doha Solutions Platform for Social Development](#)**

- Promote glocal training and research models that integrate global expertise with locally led initiatives, enabling countries to scale context-appropriate solutions for inclusive growth.
- Expand SDG localization programmes, encouraging more academic institutions, municipalities, and civil society groups to translate global goals into actionable local development strategies.
- Strengthen multi-sector partnerships through the Doha Solutions Platform for Social Development, facilitating cooperation among governments, UN bodies, industry, and communities.
- Prioritize gender-responsive and youth-inclusive programmes, ensuring women and young people are meaningfully engaged in capacity-building, leadership training, and social innovation initiatives.
- Support the replication of CIFAL Global Network best practices, leveraging the Platform to connect regions, share lessons learned, and jointly design scalable solutions.