





#### FAITH FOR NATURE: MULTI-FAITH ACTION

Inspired to take collective action to protect our shared planet





# For For Earth Coalition

**One Earth – Many Religions – One Goal** 

Unprecedented global challenges require unprecedented responses

Photo: UNDP Bangladesh

# Recognition of Challenges

- Security council discussed threats facing security of humanity where 83 countries identified climate change as the number one challenge not nuclear war, nor terrorism or conflicts.
- At the Climate Change Summit, leaders of the world were alarmed by the consequences of climate change. Climate migrants as an increasing issue that we need to deal with, not in the future but NOW.
- Not Only Climate Change but entire ecosystems are facing decline unprecedented in human history. Around one million species are at the risk of extinction.
- COVID 19 is a crisis unlike any in the 75-year history of the UN – António Guterres



## Mechanization, steam and water power

# Mass production and electricity

Electronic and IT systems, automation

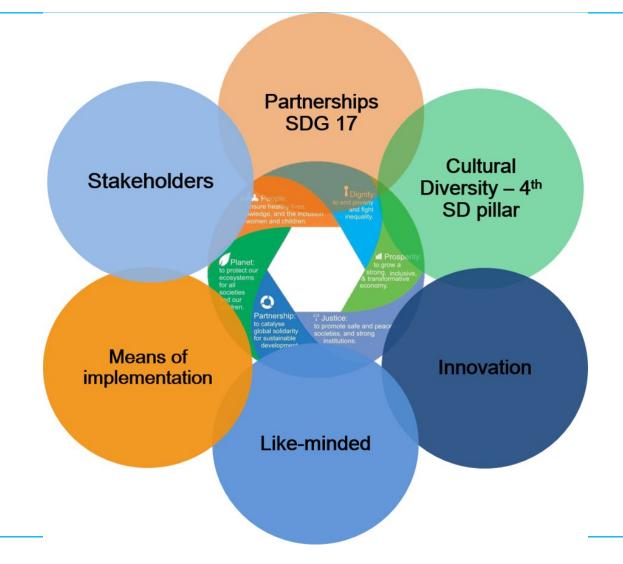
Cyber physical systems

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We need a transformational behavioral revolution

- Accelerated
- Scaled up
- Transformational
- Inclusive
- Ethical

#### UN Environment Strategy for Engaging with Faith-Based Organizations



## Mission and Vision Faith for Earth Initiative

#### Mission

"To Inspire, Empower and Engage with Faith-Based Organizations to innovatively deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals and Agenda 2030, at all levels."

#### Vision

*"A world where all creations live in balance"* 



# **Strategic Goals of the initiative**

- Inspire Action by/with faith actors at all levels
- Green Faith Assets and Investments
- Science-Faith Interface



## **Expected Outputs**



Global "Faith for Earth Coalition".

Integrating into the design of UN Environment programmes.



Investments of FBOs adopt IGE principles.



Faith and scientific communities provide faithscience-based evidence.

Photo from Global faith and justice programme

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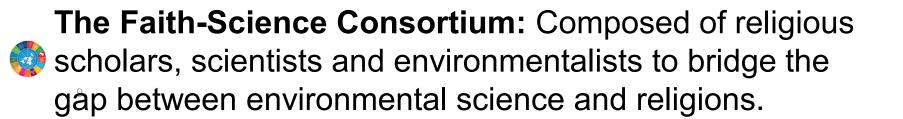


The Council of Eminent Leaders: Composed of highlevel faith leaders representing major and minor world religions.



**The Youth Council:** Composed of young faith leaders and members of youth movements advocating for the protection of the Earth.

The Network of FBOs: Composed of faith-based organizations with a focus on the environment or those working with (local) faith communities responding to the Sustainable Development Goals.



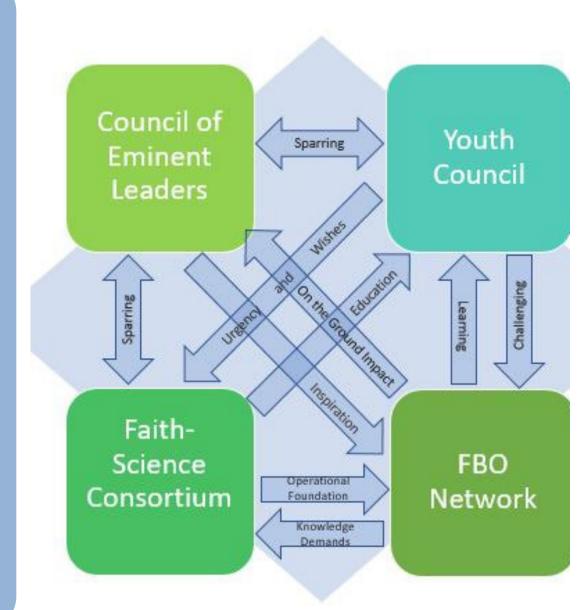
# **Faith for Earth Coalition**

#### Purpose

- Facilitate Global Dialogue between Faith Leaders, scientists, policy makers and environmentalists.
- Linking environmental policy to Faith principles and ethical values.
- Mobilize faith voices at Global, Regional and Local Levels.



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Contributions

Coalition Body	Contribution	Benefit
Council of Eminent Leaders	Wisdom, Theology, Leadership	Sharing, Interfaith Tolerance
Youth Council	Encounter, Social Leadership	Strategic Exchange, Local Leadership and Innovation
FBO Network	Collaboration, Networking	Strategic Engagement
Faith- Science Consortium	Insight, Scientific-faith- based Evidence	Information, Knowledge

**Principles** 

- Commitment to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- Respect for all spiritual and religious beliefs;
- Effective communication with all stakeholders of the Coalition;
- Adoption of the principles of "Leave no one behind";
- Transparency in governance structure and decisionmaking;
- Interfaith collaboration with mutual acceptance and respect;
- Focus on the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs;
- Building bridges between existing knowledge and experience;
- Actions that respect individual and communal beliefs;
- Transformation of people's behaviors through their spiritual values.











### **Global Faith for Earth Forum**

Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development



#### Economic Contributions to American Society: al Analysis

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\$438.4 BILLION BUSINESSES

\$302.9

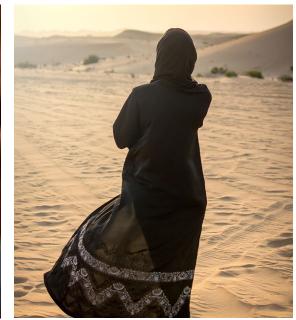
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When you pray you think of your business, but do you think of your prayers when you do business?

Faith-business forum (Solutions Forum) to enhance dialogue among faith-based actors and the private sector concerning environmental challenges









## Intergenerational, genderresponsive dialogue





# Tradition-Innovation Lab

How Faith Organizations can be involved?

Local projects: Renewable Energy, waste, planting,

water conservation and foodbanks Projects

**Education, capacity building and Awareness** 

Working with Businesses

**Resilience and Adaptation** 

**Connecting Religions and Science** 

**Engagement with Legislative bodies** 

Information Sharing

**Political Declarations** 

#### Documents Prepared

- Faith for Earth coalition
- Statues
- Resource Mobilization Strategy
- Gender Equality Strategy
- Communications Strategy
- 5 year work plan
- Budget scenario
- Results of the consultative survey
- Brochure



# Together we can make a difference

