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**UN ECOSOC PARTNERSHIP FORUM 2022, "BUILDING BACK BETTER FROM THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) WHILE ADVANCING THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT", PLENARY SESSION - AFTERNOON.
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My name is Rosario Diaz Garavito, and I am the founder and Executive Director of The Millennials Movement a youth led organization that mobilize a network of 200+ organization in the LATAM region. The COVID 19 pandemic, has demonstrated how critic is to act together to address the most pressing issues for humanity. During this time Millions of people joined a collective response and we experienced solidarity and a sense of partnerships that mobilized millions of actions and efforts to protect our communities and our loved ones. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development needs the same and even more ambition and attention, to move forward with a collective response to advance on the SDGs, taking them as the main guideline during the recovery, reflecting this in the improvement of people's lives conditions, especially those most of the times the ones left behind.

The Decade of Action is now in a count down. We are 8 years apart from the final line to achieve one of the most ambitious plans for humanity, a plan that proposed to stop climate change and end poverty. However, we are still struggling with political, social, humanitarian, economic and sanitarian crises all over the world that affect not only our present but compromises our future and the capacity to ensure the present and future generations a live with dignity achieving environmental and social justice. In the last 2 years we confirmed with our eyes wide-open how damaging are the existing structural gaps, inequality, violence in all of its form and corruption, while we lost the lives of millions, and we saw the struggle of more.

We call member states and other stakeholders to take the COVID 19 recovery as a breaking point to re confirm the call of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to all the interested parts to join efforts to build meaningful and effective partnerships, to mobilize resources of all kind avoiding dependency patterns between regions, to work on intergenerational, intercultural and regional responses going beyond political polarization, and to engage meaningfully peoples and specially younger generations on the achievement of a more sustainable and fair future, including transparency and accountability mechanism to achieve collectively the promise we all made on 2015, so no one if left behind.