

***“Youth participation in monitoring to ensure accountability for the post-2015 development agenda”
By Plan International and the Overseas Development Institute***

Plan International and the Overseas Development Institute, in collaboration with the Office of the Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth, hosted a side event on ‘youth participation in monitoring to ensure accountability for the post-2015 development agenda’.

The post-2015 process to date has largely been one of the most open and receptive to civil society voices and views. Youth (15-24 years old), making up almost one fifth of the world’s population, have been particularly vocal and responsive in consultations and various fora, both on- and offline, including national, regional, global consultations.

Youth participants, government representatives, UN agencies, and civil society all participated in an active discussion during this event on how to take this innovation, energy, and momentum to the next stage by identifying how young people can and should be involved in helping to monitor the eventual commitments that will be made in a post-2015 development framework.

Building on this event, the co-hosts, in collaboration with the Office of the Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth, will release a policy brief during the UN General Assembly that delves deeper into these issues with recommendations on how youth can be brought along as partners in both the implementation and monitoring of progress against new goals, including through participatory monitoring and accountability mechanisms.