



# Global Perspectives 2021

## Transforming civil society futures

### Outcome

The 14th Global Perspectives conference was held as an open, accessible, free online event on 30 November 2022. It brought together an international audience from national and international civil society organisations (CSOs), foundations, governments and business. This year the event offered deep insights and innovative perspectives on civic space futures, becoming locally led, next frontiers of CSO accountability and achieving the SDGs.

### The Global Standard

The Centre's partners [Accountable Now](#) began the show with the panel "[The Global Standard: a tool to preserve, promote and expand civic space](#)"

We recommend the Global Standard Newsletter on Localization that provides more information on how civil society organisations have used the Global Standard and [adapted it to Local contexts and needs](#) so that organisations are more resilient and effective. Panellists also shared details of Global Standard recognition in different legally binding documents, you can find out more via the links below:

- [DG NEAR Guidelines for EU Support to Civil Society in the Enlargement Region 2021- 2027](#) (EU Guidelines)
- [OECD DAC Recommendation](#) on Enabling Civil Society in Development Co-operation and Humanitarian Assistance

Civil society encourages signatures to their proper implementation as well as to take these as a positive examples to inspire other donors in their work

For further information and to get involved please contact [Accountable Now](#)

### Leave No One Behind

The panel "[How can we foster a more inclusive digital development?](#)" brought together colleagues involved with the Centre's Leave No One Behind Partnership to discuss the digital approaches that Civil Society Organisations can apply to more inclusive and equitable digital development.

To find out more about the Leave No One Behind Partnership we have a [2 minute introduction video](#) of the partnership. You can also view the new [Leave No One Behind Flyer](#) highlighting the partnership's vision, goals, and ambitions as well as its key initiative, "Making Voices Heard and Count (MVHC) project."

For further information and to get involved please contact: [Peter Koblowsky](#)



## Solidarity Action Network x Scanning the Horizon

The panel “[Getting ahead: Anticipating futures for civil society operating space](#)” took place within the framework of the Centre’s three-year initiative (2022-2025) aimed to increase the signal-scanning and future-facing capacities of CSOs. The initiative creates synergies between the Centre’s [Scanning the Horizon](#) community of civil society futures thinkers and strategists and its [Solidarity Action Network \(SANE\)](#) community of civic space-focused professionals.

[Watch a short video](#) introducing this initiative and [read this concept note](#) providing further details and outlining its phases. The panel discussion was building on the [mapping of the current landscape](#) and the [International Civic Forum \(ICF\) 2022](#) with a focus on anticipating futures for civil society operating space.

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## Accelerating Inclusive Power Shift

The panel “[Beyond the North-South divide: future models of cooperation](#)” explored diverse partnerships and showcased the latest thinking around Southern cooperation modalities to highlight how the sector can push itself to foster new ways beyond “traditional” development cooperation.

To find out more about the Centre’s work on shifting power, localisation and decolonisation we recommend: a recent report “[Accelerating Inclusive Power Shift – an aggregated benchmarking study](#)” that identified the state of play in governance power shift practices and plans of the Centre’s shareholders and supporters. A podcast [Power Shift: Seizing the Window of Opportunity for True Transformation](#) and a page of resources relating to [Civil Society approaches, opportunities and challenges of Shifting Power](#).

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