















Joint Communique

27 March 2015, NEW YORK— A broad coalition of development and advocacy organizations have today thrown their support behind a proposal by the Philippines and the United Arab Emirates to designate Children, Young People, Women and People with Disabilities as one of the six specific themes to be addressed at September's United Nations summit to adopt the post-2015 development agenda.

The proposal was made on Thursday (26 March) at the United Nations headquarters in New York, during General Assembly's informal meeting of the plenary for the intergovernmental post-2015 negotiations.

The organisations say it is possible to end extreme poverty by 2030, but only if leaders have a clear vision for an ambitious post-2015 framework focused on working in partnership with these critical constituencies.

The coalition is calling on all Member States to endorse the proposal, saying the post-2015 framework represents a once-in-a generation opportunity to champion the rights and needs of all people, including the most vulnerable and marginalized.

They have also expressed appreciation to Ambassador Macharia Kamau of the Republic of Kenya, co-facilitator of the SDG intergovernmental process for his supportive words on the proposal.