

CANDIDATE PROFILE

2019 ELECTIONS TO THE CIVIL SOCIETY POLICY FORUM WORKING GROUP

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Katelyn Gallagher has served on the Civil Society Policy Forum (CSPF) Working Group in an interim capacity since January of 2019, representing North America. Katelyn works with the Bank Information Center, an independent organization based in Washington, DC that partners with civil society around the world to advocate for greater sustainability, accountability, inclusion, and participation in the policies and programs of the World Bank and other development institutions. At BIC, Katelyn is a Campaign Manager on Civic Engagement, focusing on issues of civil society interaction with World Bank projects and policy review processes.

She is particularly concerned with closing civic space around the world and the implications of restricted civic space contexts for civil society and stakeholders aiming to participate in development processes in their countries. Katelyn hopes to continue to push for increased and more effective space for dialogue between civil society and development institutions like the World Bank and IMF through her role in the CSPF Working Group. She has participated actively in the CSPF since 2011. Katelyn holds a master's degree in Sustainable Development from SIT Graduate Institute, and Bachelor's degrees in Government and Politics and Arabic Studies from the University of Maryland.