**2021 SPRING MEETINGS**

**CIVIL SOCIETY POLICY FORUM**

**OFFLINE SESSION PROPOSAL FORM**

Ensuring that civil society can continue to engage and dialogue with World Bank and IMF remains a priority for the two institutions. Thus, in cooperation with the Civil Society Policy Forum (CSPF) [Working Group](http://pubdocs.worldbank.org/en/754641576598102792/Bios-of-CSPF-WG-members-updated-January-2020.pdf), we are launching the call for proposals for a virtual CSPF to take place over the course of the weeks directly preceding the Spring Meetings, from March 22 to April 2nd, 2021 in the morning in Washington D.C (EST)

**Please Note:** Due to the virtual nature of the CSPF and the need to organize sessions at a reasonable time for participants in several time zones, the number of sessions we are able to accommodate will be limited. We will have space for roughly 10-15 sessions to take place and thus cannot guarantee that every proposal will be accepted. For this reason, we ask that each organization sponsor only one session. Proposals jointly sponsored with other CSOs – especially from different regions of the world – are highly encouraged.

The call for proposals is open to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and CSO networks. The World Bank and IMF review committee, with the help of the CSPF Working Group, will select proposals that contribute to a diverse and comprehensive forum.

The review process will consider the thematic relevance of session proposals to WBG and IMF priorities and give priority to sessions that invite debate beyond the focus of one CSO or a single country. Prior to submitting a session proposal, it is suggested that organizers look for opportunities to collaborate with other organizations. Taking into account the limited number of sessions we can organize this year, the possibility that the review committee may also decide to ask some organizations to refine their proposals and consider merging sessions with other organizations that submitted similar proposals will be higher than usual.

All proposals, without exception, **must be submitted electronically** using the online form available here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CSPF2021SM>

**The deadline for submitting a session proposal is February 8, 2021 9:00 am EST (Washingotn, D.C. time).**

We appreciate your organization's interest in submitting a proposal. Session organizers will be notified if their session has been selected for inclusion in the CSPF.

More information is available on the 2021 Spring Meetings Civil Society Policy Forum website <https://www.worldbank.org/en/events/2020/12/22/civil-society-policy-forum>

**\* Asterisk indicates mandatory field in the online form**

**\* 1. Contact Details of Primary Session Organizer**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Job title** |  |
| **Civil Society Organization** |  |
| **Website and/or Facebook page of the Organization** |  |
| **City/Town** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **Email Address** |  |
| **Phone Number (with country code)** |  |

**2. Additional Sponsoring Organizations, if any**

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**\* 3. Session Title (max 15 words)**

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**\* 4. Session Objectives (max 75 words)**

What do you want to achieve with this session?

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**\* 5. Session Abstract (max 100 words)**

If this session proposal is selected, this abstract will appear on the CSPF schedule online and any other promotional materials.

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**\* 6. Please select which topic(s) from the list below your proposal addresses? (Please pick up to 3)**

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| 1 | Financing for Development |
| 2 | Human Development (Education; Health, Nutrition & Population; Social Protection & Jobs) |
| 3 | Fragility Conflict and Violence |
| 4 | Climate, Energy & Environment |
| 5 | Governance (Anti-corruption, safeguards, & accountability) |
| 6 | Gender |
| 8 | Infrastructure, ICT & Technology |
| 9 | Youth |
| 10 | Public Finance Management (Debt, Taxation, & Public Expenditure) |
| 11 | Citizen Engagement |
| 12 | COVID-19 Response and Recovery |
| 14 | Social Inclusion |
| 15 | Private Sector and Development |
| 16 | Other, please describe |

**\* 7. Proposed Session Format**

Session slots are limited to 90 minutes and we are looking for formats that invite a lively discussion and engagement. Please use this section to note any ideas on how your session will make best use of this year’s virtual format.

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**8. Proposed Panelists and Moderator:**

For session effectiveness and to leave enough time for discussion with the audience, it is strongly suggested to have a maximum of four speakers, including the moderator. We understand that this list may still be aspirational at this stage, but please list the panelists and moderators that you would like to approach for your session.

Please provide their organization affiliation, job title and email addresses if available.

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| **Moderator**  | Name |  |
| Organization |  |
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| **Panelist 1** | Name |  |
| Organization |  |
| Job Title |  |
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| **Panelist 2 (if any)** | Name |  |
| Organization |  |
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| **Panelist 3 (if any)** | Name |  |
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| **Panelist 4 (if any)** | Name |  |
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**\* 9. Will your panel include World Bank and/or IMF representatives?**

Please select 1 option:

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|  | Yes, we have reached out and have panelist confirmed |
|  | Yes, we have reached out but not yet confirmed |
|  | No, but we are interested and would like help  |
|  | No |

**10. Is there anything else you would like the Review Committee or the CSPF Working Group to know? (max 100 words)**

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