Virtual side event during the 2022 ECOSOC Partnership Forum:

**From COVID-19 to Climate Change: How can we turbo-charge collaboration to build forward at speed?**

2 February, 8:00-8:50 am (EST)
Sign-up at: [https://whova.com/portal/registration/ecoso_202202](https://whova.com/portal/registration/ecoso_202202)

This event is hosted by the global partnering specialist NGO The Partnering Initiative (TPI) with Partnerships 2030 (a project hosted at GIZ and commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development) and the 2030 Agenda Partnership Accelerator. TPI will share emerging insights from the Rapid Partnering for Climate Action programme, which is developing accelerated partnership protocols to support climate action practitioners and their partners in related fields to initiate, implement and iterate climate action partnerships far faster.

COVID-19 has stimulated countless innovative collaborations – from the most local level (such as community groups partnering with shops to fill food banks) to the global (such as FCDO and Unilever’s £100M collaboration on handwashing). These new partnerships have moved rapidly through, or completely bypassed, ‘normal’ partnering processes. What can we learn from rapid partnerships convened during the pandemic and how can this be applied to support those working on climate action partnerships and connected fields?

**We face a global climate emergency requiring radical collaboration, at unprecedented speed.**

While there is a sense of urgency around all the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the climate crisis has the unique and powerful potential to derail every other goal if the global community cannot act decisively in the next decade to halt emissions. There is a need for a model of accelerated, ‘rapid-partnering’ that can be readily applied to mobilise collective action on the scale required and ensure that the global community can ‘build forward’ and thus advance the full implementation of the 2030 agenda.

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**Speakers include:**

- Dr Darian Stibbe, Executive Director, The Partnering Initiative (TPI)
- Dr Zainab Aliyu, Movement Programme Lead, Climate2025
- Ms. Susanne Salz, Head of project, Platform for Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships for Implementing the 2030 Agenda
- Mr. Ola Göransson, Sustainable Development Officer, Outreach and Partnerships Branch, 2030 Agenda Partnership Accelerator
- Ms Yukiko Yamada Morovic, Technical Director, External Engagement and Programming, Livelihoods, World Vision International
- Ms. Jenny Ekelund, Director of Engagement & Green Transition, The Partnering Initiative (TPI)