

UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2250 (2015)

ON YOUTH, PEACE AND SECURITY

“ Today’s generation of youth is **THE LARGEST** the world has ever known, and... young people often form the majority of the population of **COUNTRIES AFFECTED BY ARMED CONFLICT** ”

“ Disruption of youth’s access to **EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES** has a dramatic impact on durable peace and reconciliation ”



“ Youth should actively be engaged in shaping lasting **PEACE** and contributing to **JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION** ”

“ A large youth population presents **A UNIQUE DEMOGRAPHIC** dividend that can contribute to lasting peace and economic prosperity if **INCLUSIVE POLICIES** are in place ”



1. PARTICIPATION

- Member States should consider ways to increase **inclusive representation of youth in decision-making at all levels** for the prevention and resolution of conflict
- All relevant actors should take into account, as appropriate, **the participation and views of youth** when negotiating and implementing peace agreements



2. PROTECTION

- All parties to armed conflict must take the necessary measures to **protect civilians**, including those who are **youth**, from all forms of sexual and gender-based violence
- States must respect and ensure the **human rights of all individuals**, including youth, within their territory



3. PREVENTION

- Member States should facilitate an **enabling environment** in which young people are recognised and provided adequate support to **implement violence prevention activities** and **support social cohesion**
- All relevant actors should promote **a culture of peace, tolerance, intercultural and interreligious dialogue** that involve youth



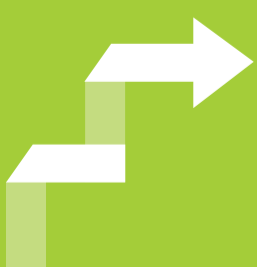
4. PARTNERSHIP

- Member States should increase their **political, financial, technical and logistical support**, that take account of the needs and participation of youth in peace efforts
- Member States should engage relevant local communities and non-governmental actors in developing strategies to **counter the violent extremist narrative**



5. DISENGAGEMENT AND REINTEGRATION

- **Disarmament, demobilization and reintegration activities** must consider the needs of youth affected by armed conflict, including through evidence-based and gender-sensitive **youth employment opportunities** and **inclusive labour policies**
- All relevant actors should invest in building **young persons’ capabilities and skills** through relevant education opportunities designed in a manner which promotes a culture of peace



NEXT STEPS

- The United Nations will work to **improve the coordination and interaction** regarding the needs of youth during armed conflicts and post-conflict situations
- The UN Secretary-General will carry out a progress study on the **youth’s positive contribution to peace processes and conflict resolution** in order to recommend effective responses at local, national, regional and international levels and make the results of the study available