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Host your local Unmet Gala!



In 2022, the CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness (CPDE) hosted the <u>CPDE Unmet Gala: A civil society parade for equality and justice</u>, as its action at the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation High-Level Meeting (HLM3) in Geneva. A twist on the Met Gala, it makes a reference to unmet development effectiveness commitments towards sustainable development goals (SDGs).

The Gala featured bespoke clothing designed by an artist collective from the global South, around the following messages on effective development cooperation, which were collectively deliberated by the civil society delegation led by CPDE:

NO EXCUSES, ACT FOR SDGs NOW. We are off-track in meeting the Sustainable Development Goals. We need all development stakeholders to deliver their EDC commitments now to take us back on track.

BUSINESS-AS-USUAL IS A DEATH SENTENCE. NO TO STATUS QUO. We need urgent and extraordinary action, not business-as-usual approaches.

THERE IS NO PLANET B, PEOPLE OVER PROFIT. To respond to our situation, development actors need to put the people at the heart of inclusive recovery efforts.

CIVIL SOCIETY VOICES MATTER. STOP THE ATTACKS. Democracy and civic space must be protected to promote the participation of civil society in development

Mechanics

The ten (10) CPDE Unment Gala garments will be available for loan by civil society organisations that wish to host their own, or hold an action where the messages are relevant. This includes protests, art exhibitions, and performances. Organisations are also strongly encouraged to add a garment that features local struggles related to development cooperation.

The garments will be shipped to the borrowing organisation, and costs will be shouldered by the CPDE Global Secretariat.

The borrowing organisation simply needs to send an Expression of Interest to CPDE Communications Manager Meg Yarcia (myarcia@csopartnership.org), with information about their proposed activity.

Responsibilities of the borrowing organisation (partner)

The borrowing organisation is expected to:

- liaise with the relevant national, regional, or sectoral focal point, to discuss in greater detail how best to maximise the materials for CPDE's EDC advocacy.
- provide photo documentation of the event,
- promote the event through their website, social media, and mailing lists
- use the event branding: Unmet Gala, hashtags, and key words (the messages) for any published material about their activity, and
- return the garments clean in good shape

Responsibilities of the CPDE Global Secretariat

The CPDE Global Secretariat will

- ship the garments to and from the partner
- promote the partner's event through the CPDE website, social media, and mailing lists

The garments

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Learn more

For more information about the CPDE Unmet Gala, visit https://csopartnership.org/unmet-gala/.