



Transition Workshop for the Office of the 78th President of the General Assembly

Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs Team

1 September 2023
UNHQ, New York

Main Responsibilities of the HRH Team

Mandated meetings

Intergovernmental Processes

Third Committee

Humanitarian issues

Gender issues

Civil Society, Youth



Key Partners

OHCHR

UN
Women

OCHA

DESA

DGC

UNODC

Organization of Mandated Meetings and Other Events

Annual meetings:

- International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
- High-level debate on crime prevention (theme varies every year)
- Nelson Mandela Day

Specific mandates:

- High-level meeting on tuberculosis
- High-level meeting on UHC
- Launch of the Decade of Indigenous Languages

Briefings mandated by GA

- SG Envoy on Myanmar
- Support to Pakistan in the wake of the floods

PGA initiatives



Intergovernmental Processes

HLM on Universal Health
Coverage

HLM on Tuberculosis

Declaration on Future
Generations

Third Committee

PGA participation

Bureau meetings

Action in plenary

New mandates for PGA

Gender Equality



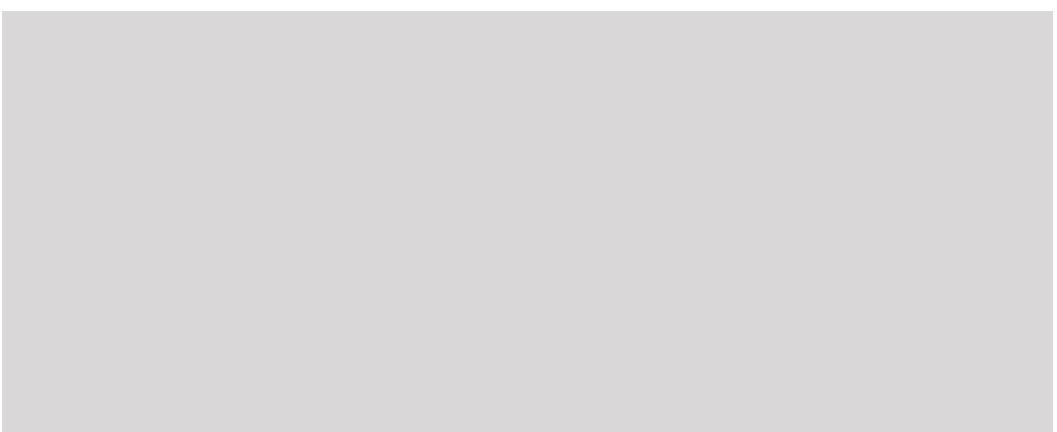
- Advisory Board
- Gender parity in appointment of co-facilitators
- Gender balance in OPGA
- PGA speeches
- PGA as Gender Champion
- Special Envoy on Gender



Advisory Board on Gender Equality

- 12-15 members appointed by PGA (for the duration of Presidency)
- PRs, UN system leaders, stakeholders
- Serve in personal capacity
- 4 meetings per session
- Informal mechanism
- Outputs





Engagement with civil society and youth

Townhalls

Visits at universities, schools

Stakeholder participation in GA
meetings

Official trips

Other Key Topics

Humanitarian issues

Persons with disabilities, accessibility

- Workshop on disability awareness
- Easy-to-understand communication

Human Rights Council

HRC Report in GA plenary

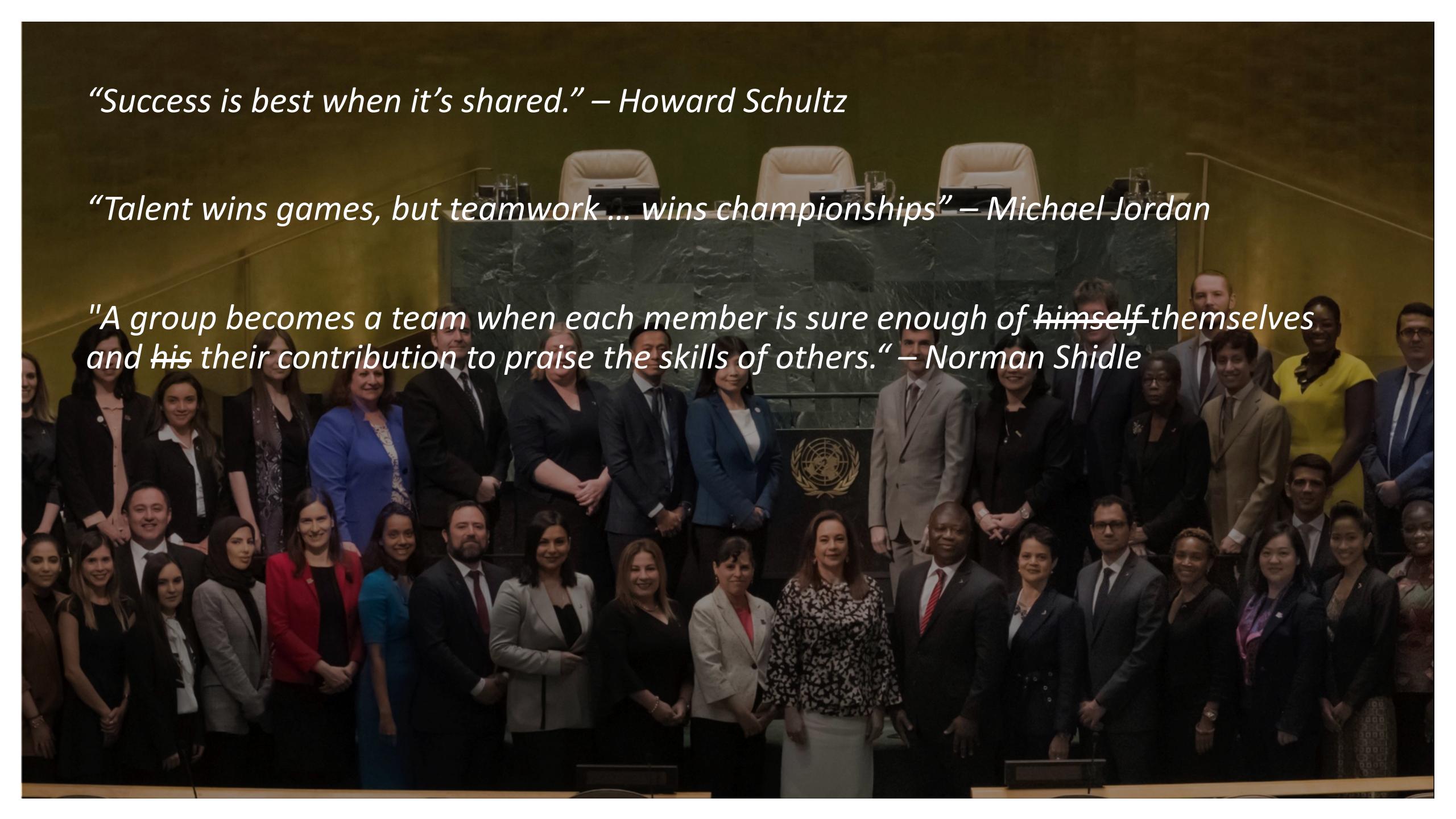
PGA participation in March session of HRC

President of the Human Rights Council

Looking ahead...

- High-level week:
 - Platform of Women Leaders (20 Sept)
 - HLM on UHC (21 Sept)
 - HLM on Tuberculosis (22 Sept)
- Human Rights Prize ceremony (15 Dec)
- 75th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights (11-12 Dec)
- High-level panel on the role of Ombudsman in the promotion and protection of human rights (A/Res/77/224)





“Success is best when it’s shared.” – Howard Schultz

“Talent wins games, but teamwork ... wins championships” – Michael Jordan

“A group becomes a team when each member is sure enough of ~~himself~~themselves and ~~his~~ their contribution to praise the skills of others.” – Norman Shidle