



GENERATION EQUALITY

REALIZING
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GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM

STATUS UPDATE



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Generation Equality Forum: Status Update

- UN Women is taking leadership in raising awareness and addressing the **gendered dimensions of the COVID-19 outbreak**.
- The GEF Core Group upholds **full commitment to convene GEF** in the best possible way in a world post COVID-19.
- **GEF will be postponed until 2021**. Exact dates will be communicated in the coming weeks.
- **Wide dissemination of a public communication** from the Core Group to formally confirm the postponement of the GEF to 2021.



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Next Steps: Pivot and Engagement

Pivot to address a world in crisis...

- Objectives of GEF stronger than ever – **system change** through partnerships, solidarity and movement building;
- **Deepen** stakeholder engagement;
- **Broaden, deepen and enhance** coordinated outreach and mobilization of new and existing partners;
- **Integrate** the use of online connections and outreach to foster inclusion;
- **Increase** efforts to make sure that the most marginalized communities are included in the diverse stakeholder groups;
- **Rethink** the modalities in which different stakeholders can contribute;
- **Ensure** a broad and diverse participation of feminist activists.



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GEF in a post Covid-19 world

- **Online platforms, virtual consultations and digital public conversations** as spaces for individuals and organizations to strengthen social mobilization and maintain momentum towards the Forum and ACs.
- **Different modalities** will be explored and enhanced, allowing allies and advocates from all over the world to influence the GEF.
- GE movement and Forum emphasize **systemic, transformative change** that builds equity, resilience, sustainability.



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Action Coalitions

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Action Coalitions: Status Update

- **Revision of Action Coalitions' timeline** (including the announcement of the Leadership Structure) in the context of the global COVID-19 crisis
- **Importance to continue momentum on the Action Coalitions** as a transformative, multi-stakeholder platform that is poised to advance concrete results on gender equality and women's rights within the UN Decade of Action
- The Action Coalitions can be shaped to support UN Women partners in driving a **gender-intentional response to the COVID-19 crisis**
- **Willingness to continue the work and engagement with partners** on the Action Coalitions in a COVID and post COVID world, while adapting the timeline, content, and modalities of engagement



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Action Coalitions: Adaptations

1 REVISED TIMELINE TO:

- Expand outreach efforts to ensure full regional, thematic and private sector representation in the AC leadership structures
- Engage with leaders and members to advance clear, concrete and transformative commitments
- Build momentum through broader set of stakeholders through public conversation via digital platforms

2 ADAPTING CONTENT OF AC BLUEPRINTS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 CRISIS TO:

- Incorporate analysis of COVID-19 within the AC blueprints towards increased impact on gender inequalities
- Focus on the most vulnerable populations in a COVID-19 / post COVID-19 world

3 NEW AND INNOVATIVE VIRTUAL MODALITIES OF ENGAGEMENT TO:

- Catalyze collective action and spark global and local conversations across generations via virtual modalities



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Action Coalitions: Progress to date

1 ACTION COALITIONS' THEMES

- **6 themes defined and announced** to drive results across key gender inequalities following a data-driven and collaborative design process.

2 ACTION COALITIONS' BLUEPRINTS

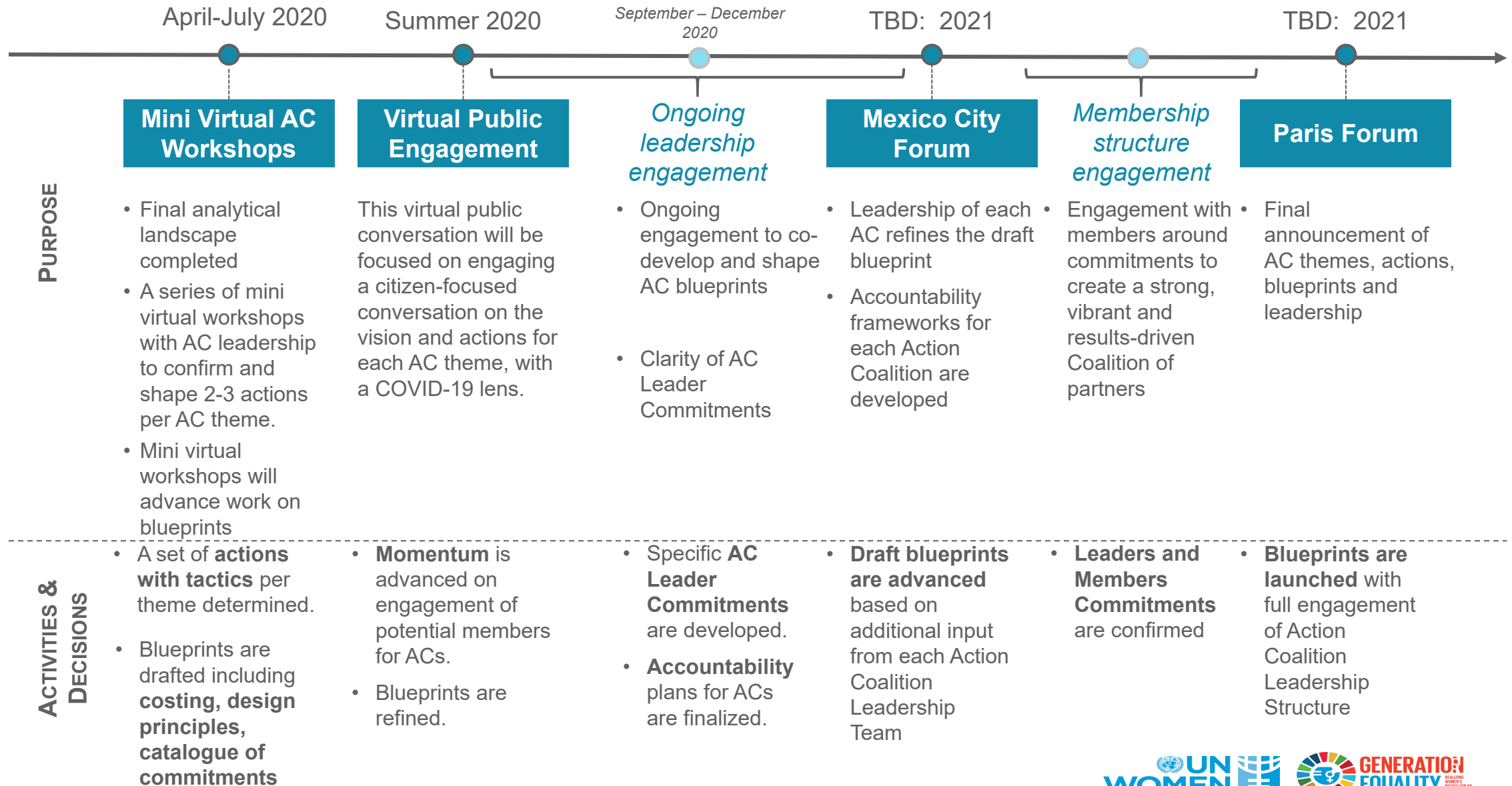
- **Rationale** for why the theme was selected
- **A focused set of concrete actions** that will unite diverse efforts and deliver game-changing results
- **Design principles** to inform and guide how actions are undertaken
- **A costing analysis** which estimates the overall costing needed to deliver results
- **A catalogue of commitments (including national commitments)** that Action Coalition members must undertake to accelerate progress
- **Accountability framework and annual success goalposts** which highlight how actions will be measured and assessed

3 ACTION COALITIONS' LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE

- **Criteria for Leadership** confirmed and announced
- **1,353 submissions received and assessed**
- **Announcement of the Leadership Structure postponed** in light of the current COVID-19 crisis

DATE OF FINALIZATION	STATUS
January 2020	
March 2020	
Ongoing	
<i>Paris Design Sprint</i>	
<i>Empirical analysis</i>	
Ongoing	
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January 2020	
March 2020	
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Action Coalitions: Timeline of Next Steps





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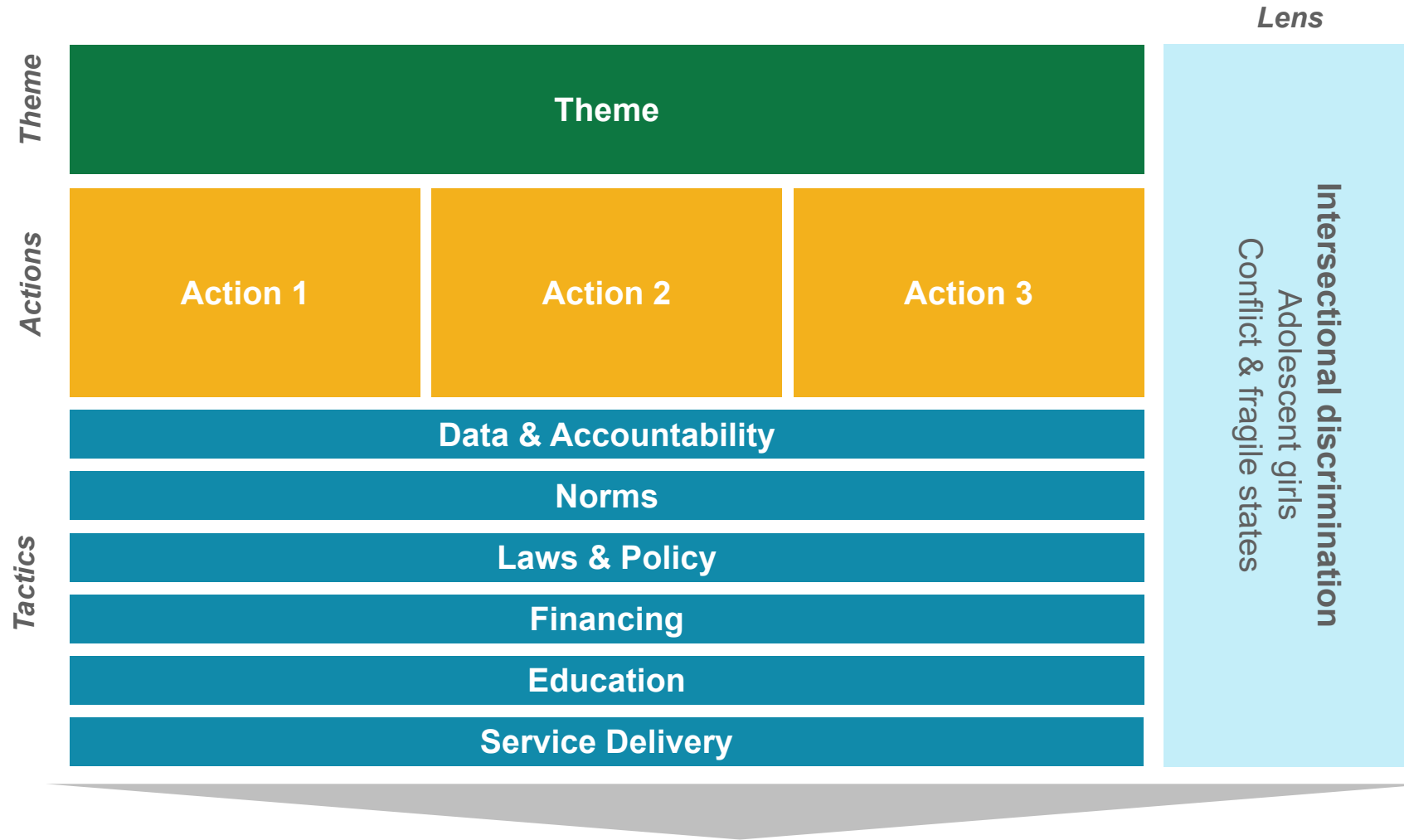
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Appendix



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Work is on-going to advance **specific actions** that use cross-cutting tactics to drive systemic change



There are three inputs which serve different and complementary purposes to identify actions

Inputs to develop final Actions

Description

Empirical Analysis

- Analysis of constraints, landscape, feminist asks, funding, and what works, as informed by desk research and partner interviews

Paris Design Sprint

- Inputs developed by Paris Design Sprint participants, including members of civil society, member states, the private sector, and international organizations

Political & Strategic Imperatives

- Political and strategic priorities of relevant GEF stakeholders, including members of the Leadership Teams, CSOs, the voice of adolescent girls (e.g., AGIP), the voice of WPS, and governments