Hello and welcome to T20 Brasil!

The T20 Brasil process will put forward policy recommendations to G20 officials involved in the Sherpa and Finance tracks in the form of a final communiqué and Task Force recommendations.

To inform these documents, we are calling upon think tanks and research centers around the world – this invitation extends beyond G20 members – to build and/or reach out to their networks, share evidence, exchange ideas, and develop joint proposals for policy briefs. The latter should put forward clear policy proposals to support G20 in addressing global challenges.

Selection criteria - Policy briefs must be related to the 36 subtopics that have been selected based on

(i) the suggestions received from more than 100 national and foreign think tanks and research centers that have already expressed their interest in engaging with the T20 Brasil process and activities
(ii) the three priorities spelt out by the G20 Brasil presidency. These subtopics are organized under the six Task Forces themes.

To foster collaborative networks across think tanks and countries, policy briefs must be co-authored by researchers from different think tanks, from different countries and with gender balance (at least a man and a woman should be co-authors).

Abstracts shall have a maximum of 2000 characters;
If the abstract is accepted, credit will be given to all authors involved in writing the policy briefs, even if there are more than two contributors;
Policy briefs shall have a maximum of 3000 words, including references.

The deadline for submission of abstracts is January 29th, 2024.
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*Please limit your text to 2000 characters.

3. To which task force are you submitting your policy brief abstract? *

- TF01 - Fighting inequalities, poverty, and hunger
- TF02 - Sustainable climate action and inclusive just energy transitions
- TF03 - Reforming the international financial architecture
- TF04 - Trade & investment for sustainable and inclusive growth
- TF05 - Inclusive digital transformation
- TF06 - Strengthening multilateralism and global governance

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Thank you!
Appendix: Task Forces & Subthemes

TASK FORCE 01

1. **Promoting effective policies to fight poverty and hunger and the role of trilateral cooperation in their promotion:** Emphasizing the importance of collaborative efforts at the Global level in combatting poverty and hunger, the TF focuses on review of the available evidence on impactful policies that could be adapted and leveraged to support countries falling behind in SDG 1 and 2 through trilateral cooperation (SDG 1, 2, 10, 17).

2. **Fostering Food security and nutrition through sustainable food systems:** The TF will review and discuss pathways to sustainable food systems to ensure food security and improved nutrition. It will put forward approaches and policy reforms that are environmentally sustainable, socially, and economically sound and that foster resilience to climate change and other shocks, and that contributes to healthier, more productive, and more inclusive societies (SDG 1, 2, 8, 13, 14, and 17).

3. **Expanding Access to Social Protection and Basic Services:** Recognizing the fundamental right to social protection throughout the life cycle and basic services (e.g. water and sanitation, housing), the TF will assess what is necessary to broaden access, adequacy, and comprehensiveness of social protection systems, ensuring its coherence with labour market policies, as well as inclusivity and support for vulnerable populations. (SDG 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 11)

4. **Promoting universal health coverage, digital health, and open innovation to fight health inequalities:** The TF will put forward proposals to address health inequalities and to ensure universal health coverage while leveraging digital health and open innovation to bridge gaps in healthcare accessibility and quality without overlooking the need for redundancies to avoid digital exclusion. (SDG 3, 9, 10)

5. **Reforming fiscal policies to reduce inequalities and eradicate poverty:** The TF will focus on fiscal policies aimed at reducing economic disparities and eradicating poverty. The TF seeks to create more equitable tax-transfer systems with a view to curbing both opportunities and results inequalities and fostering social cohesion. (SDG 1, 10)

6. **Fighting gender and race discrimination and inequalities and rethinking the care economy:** Fighting Gender and Race Discrimination in the Care Economy: Recognizing the inherent gender and racial discrimination at all levels and in different sectors, the TF will look at policies that have successfully reduced discrimination and/or its consequences. It will bring recommendations for fighting race and gender discrimination in all its aspects, and also recommendations that can produce changes in the care economy, where women, migrants, and people from specific ethnic and racial groups are over-represented, with a view to promote inclusivity and equity. (SDG 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10,16 and Brazil’s SDG 18)
1. **Fostering Sustainable, Inclusive, and Just Energy Transitions**: Highlighting the importance of equitable energy transitions, this task force aims to develop policy proposals to ensure that the necessary shift towards sustainable energy is inclusive and fair for all (countries, people, and the planet). This includes promoting a justice-oriented approach to guarantee access to sustainable energy, while providing support for workers in sectors most affected by transition patterns, as well as implementing policies aimed at mitigating the adverse environmental, social, and economic impacts associated with the extraction of critical minerals (and the production of biofuels) that are required for various energy transition models. SDGs 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 13.

2. **Accelerating Transition to a Low-carbon Economy and Sustainable Consumption/Production**: Prioritizing the shift towards a low-carbon economy, the TF will propose context-specific policies aimed at fostering sustainable production and consumption patterns. The overarching goal of these policies is to help reduce the environmental impact of productive sectors while fostering inclusive economic growth and sustainable neo industrialisation, especially in emerging economies and least developed countries. SDGs 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, and 17.

3. **Fostering Investment and Open Innovation for Sociobioeconomy and Nature-based Solutions**: On this subtopic, the TF will focus on encouraging investment and innovation in sociobioeconomy and nature-based solutions to tackle climate challenges, with a particular emphasis on the pivotal role of open innovation and technology transfers in sustainable development. SDGs 1, 2, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 17.

4. **Investing in Sustainable, Inclusive, and Resilient Infrastructure**: Recognizing the pivotal role of infrastructure in sustainable development, the TF will look into investments that promote inclusivity, resilience, and sustainability. A particular focus will be placed on fostering climate resilient cities. SDGs 1, 2, 7, 9, 11, and 17.

5. **Optimising Access to Multilateral and Climate Funds and Leveraging Private Capital for Climate Finance**: The TF aims to explore avenues to enhance climate finance by suggesting measures that can improve access to multilateral funds and leverage private capital through blended finance models, with a particular focus on broadening opportunities for developing nations. SDGs 13 and 17.

6. **Operationalizing Climate Justice through Financing and Technology Transfer**: The TF aims to propose ways to operationalise the concept of climate justice by ensuring equitable access to financing and technology transfer. This approach seeks to empower all nations to effectively combat climate change while addressing inequalities among countries and within countries, including horizontal inequalities, such as environmental racism. SDGs 9, 10, 13, 15, and 17.

7. **Implementing just sustainability reporting requirements: the Role of ESG Metrics**: The TF will seek to contribute to greater transparency, accountability, and standardization of companies’ Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) metrics and taxonomies. This effort aims to enable companies to more effectively contribute toward creating more just and sustainable trade and investment flows worldwide.
1. **Financial system rules and regulations and global finance safety nets to promote stability, sustainability, and equity**: Emphasizing rules and regulations within the financial system to enhance stability, sustainability, and equity on a global scale. This involves establishing effective safety nets to safeguard against financial instability, particularly for developing countries, with a focus on the least developed countries. SDG 10 and 17

2. **Multilateral Development Bank (MDB) reform: what better, bigger and more effective entails?** Delving into the requirements for more efficient, expansive, and impactful reforms within these institutions, ensuring they better serve the evolving needs of developing nations to achieve the SDGs. SDG 17

3. **Addressing debt burden of developing countries and facilitating their access to concessional resources**: Addressing the heavy debt burdens faced by developing countries, the task force will put forward innovative ideas regarding sovereign debt renegotiation and facilitate access to concessional resources, crucial for sustainable development. SDG 10 AND 17

4. **Ensuring a fairer global tax architecture that facilitates domestic and international resource mobilization**: the task force will discuss and propose pathways for a fairer global tax system with potential to not only galvanize domestic and international resource mobilization, but also tackle the challenges posed by digitalization, profit shifts and tax evasion, while enhancing tax transparency. It should also address the issue of the voice and participation of developing, including least developed-countries in global international tax architecture fora. SDG 10 and 17

5. **Overall SDG financing needs: pathways and the role of the reform of the international finance architecture**: Outlining pathways to fulfil overall Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) financing requirements. This includes exploring how the reform of international financial structures contributes to achieving these goals. SDG 10 and 17.
1. **Trade and Investment to Fight Inequality, Poverty, and Hunger, and Foster Social Inclusion**: Emphasizing the pivotal role of trade and investment in addressing societal challenges, the task force aims to harness these mechanisms to combat inequality within and among countries, poverty, and hunger while promoting social inclusion and food security. SDG 1, 2, 8, 9, 10, and 17.

2. **Trade and Investment, food security and climate action**: Recognizing the impacts of trade and investment in climate change and its importance for food security, the task force will focus on fostering sustainable practices and policies within these realms to contribute to global sustainability goals. It will also discuss the use of sustainability standards as potential non-tariff barriers that might disproportionately affect developing countries and threaten global food security. SDG 2, 8, 10, 13, 14, 15, and 17.

3. **Women in Trade**: Acknowledging the importance of gender equality in trade, policy options and efforts to empower and enhance the participation of women in trade-related activities will be put forward, thereby fostering economic growth and inclusivity. SDG 5, 8, 16, and 17.

4. **Trade and Digital Transformation**: Considering the increasing role of digital transactions to foster trade and investment, the task force explores how trade and investment can harness digital technologies for increased efficiency, innovation, and global connectivity. SDG 8, 10, and 17.

5. **Promoting Greater Participation of MSMEs in Trade and Investment**: Recognizing the potential of Micro, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) to promote growth and create new opportunities for common people, the task force endeavors to promote as more thorough access to foreign markets and facilitate their greater integration into global trade networks, enhancing their contribution to economic growth and reduce inequalities. SDG 9 and 17.

6. **Dealing with Neoprotectionism and the Changing Features of Global Value Chains**: In the face of evolving global economic landscapes, the task force addresses challenges posed by neoprotectionism and the changing features of global value chains, seeking strategies to adapt and ensure inclusive growth, particularly in developing countries. SDG 2, 9, and 17.
1. Digital Inclusion and Meaningful Universal Connectivity: Recognizing the significance of access to digital tools and connectivity, the task force aims to promote ideas for meaningful and universal connectivity, ensuring no one will be left behind in the digital era. SDG 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16 and 17.

2. Digital Transformation and Platformization of Public Services: Exploring the potential of digital transformation in enhancing public services through platformization, the task force seeks to develop policy proposal that can make government services more accessible, effective, and user-friendly. SDG 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, and 16.

3. Digital Integrity, Data Protection, and Cybersecurity: Emphasizing the importance of safeguarding digital integrity, the task force addresses concerns related to trust in technology, privacy and cybersecurity in the digital realm. SDG 3, 4, 9, 11, 16 and 17.

4. New Digital Technologies for SDGs and Decent Work: Exploring the intersection of digital technologies and sustainable development, efforts are made to harness these technologies to achieve the SDGs while ensuring decent work opportunities for all. All SDGs.

5. Challenges, Opportunities, and Governance of Artificial Intelligence: Delving into the complexities of artificial intelligence, the task force will evaluate its challenges and opportunities while advocating for ethical governance frameworks that ensure responsible AI development and deployment. SDG 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16 and 17.

6. Global Digital Governance and Regulation of Digital Platforms: Addressing the need for global governance structures in the digital sphere, the task force will examine ways to regulate digital platforms to promote fairness, transparency, and accountability. SDG 9, 10, 12 and 16.
1. **The G20 Role in Strengthening Multilateralism and UN Reform**: Assessing and advocating for the G20’s role in bolstering multilateralism and supporting reforms within the United Nations system to enhance its efficiency, effectiveness and adaptability to current global challenges. SDG 17.

2. **Reform of the World Trade Organization (WTO)**: Addressing the need for reforms within the WTO to ensure its relevance, efficiency, and fairness in regulating global trade, promoting equitable economic development. SDG 17.

3. **Global Health Issues and the One Health Approach**: Recognizing the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health, the task force emphasizes the importance of a holistic “One Health” approach to address global health challenges. SDG 17.

4. **New Norms and Metrics for International Development Cooperation and Confronting Global Challenges**: Identifying and proposing new norms and metrics for international development cooperation flows to better address emerging global challenges. SDG 17.

5. **The Role of Non-State Actors, NGOs, and Subnational Units in Multilateral Governance**: Acknowledging the significance of non-state actors, NGOs, and subnational units, the task force explores their roles and contributions in shaping effective multilateral governance, and the need to grant them proper representation and voice in international institutions. SDG 17.

6. **Assessing G20 Pledges and Actions**: Evaluating the pledges and actions undertaken by the G20 to ensure accountability and efficacy in meeting commitments made towards global governance and development objectives. SDG 17.