

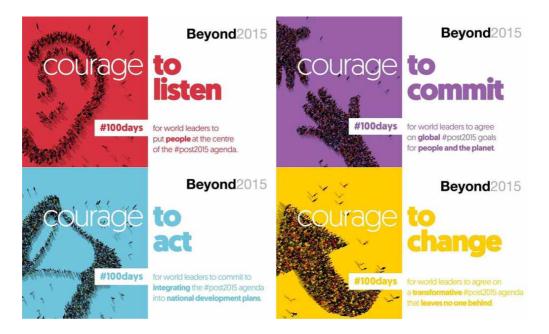
## 100 Days to go – today – 1pm – Famine Statues

Courage needed from world leaders to adopt strongest new global sustainable development agenda Irish civil society will join global mobilisation and gather on 24<sup>th</sup> September in Dublin

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Today, civil society organisations around the world in the Beyond 2015 campaign are urging world leaders to show courage and finalise an ambitious agreement before the major United Nations Summit in September

In Dublin, citizens will gather at 1pm at the Famine Statues (Custom House Quay, Dublin 1) with key demands to world leaders in the final stretch before the UN Summit.



Today marks the start of the 100 - day countdown to the adoption of the United Nations post - 2015 agenda which will define the global

sustainable development framework for the next fifteen years. This agenda seeks to address the multifaceted and interlinked development challenges our people and planet face today through a set of goals and targets for developed and developing countries alike to reach by 2030.

To mark the start of this countdown, All Together in Dignity Ireland invites citizens to gather for a 10 minutes symbolic happening "100 Flowers for 100 Days", today, Wednesday 17 June, at 1pm at the Famine Statues on Custom House Quay, and close to the statues, at the Human Rights and Poverty Stone.

With Beyond 2015 coalition and with members of the Irish network Dóchas, All Together in Dignity - ATD Fourth World is calling on leaders :

- to listen to the voices of people, in particular those experiencing poverty and marginalisation;
- to recognise the need for fundamental changes at multiple levels, ensuring that no-one is left be hind;
- and to take action to integrate the post-2015 agenda into national development plans and policies.

Governments are currently negotiating the final text that will be adopted by Heads of State during a historical Summit in New York, in September.

The process to define the post-2015 agenda has been marked by unprecedented levels of participation from multiple stakeholders, including civil society. "This new sustainable development agenda has been drafted with people's participation from all over the world and All Together in Dignity involved 2000 citizens from the poorest communities. We want to continue to be part of the new global partnership for sustainable development and to make sure that people who are facing consistant poverty and marginalisation will be actively engaged in the implementation and monitoring of the universal commitments" said Pierre Klein, ATD permanent volunteer

On 24<sup>th</sup> September 2015, on the eve of the historical Summit in New York, individuals and communities across the world will come together to mark the momentous opportunity and underline their commitments on the way for a fair and secure future for all.

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